

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
SELECTBOARD
MINUTES**

DATE: April 19, 1999

PRESENT: Steven G. Leach, Lee Sturtevant, Phil Locke, Donald Anderson, Maria Ward,

DEPARTMENT HEADS: Mary Ann Wilson, Richard Keith, Bill Moulton, Wayne Camley, David Godfrey

GUESTS: Gloria Wing, O'neal Demars, Ken Sweetser, Scott Corse, Sam Guy, Gretchen & Albert Besser, Dorothy & Robert Moran, Steven Benson, Bill Rossmassler, Louis Ferris, Anne Kneen, Arthur Breault, Brent Tomlinson, Gary Bourne, Kelly Rogers.

The Chair opened the meeting of the Selectboard at 6:40 p.m.

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Steve made the motion seconded by Don to suspend the Selectboard meeting and enter the meeting of the **Liquor Control Board** at 6:55 p.m. Don made the motion seconded by Lee to approve the liquor license for Melben's Restaurant. Passed. Don made the motion seconded by Lee to adjourn the meeting of the liquor control board and resume the Selectboard meeting at 6:56 p.m. Passed.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

HIGHWAY: Bill stated that the skating rink shack is now back on the hill and will need new skids before it is moved again. The area where the shack was will need to be re-seeded. Bill would like to purchase 3 new push mowers. Bill obtained three prices and would recommend the lowest price of the Lawn Chief at \$169.00 ea. Lee made the motion seconded by Don to purchase 3 Lawn Chiefs. Passed. The Town has swept the intersections, the plows and sanders have been put away. The town crew has also been working on ditches and culverts. The Highway Dept. will fill the cellar hole after the Raymo house is burned.

Bill submitted three bids;

VT. Municipal	plow, lights, body	\$20,286.00
	pick-up, plow, equipment	\$4,177.00
Fairfield	plow, lights, body	\$20,985.00
	pick-up, plow & equipment	\$4,750.00
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Bill and the Highway Dept. liaison will go over the bids and make a recommendation at the next meeting. There were no bids received for the dumptruck, therefore Don will check into placing the truck in the Hirschak Co. auction.

FIRE: Wayne stated that his department is planning to burn the Raymo house on Sunday May 2. Wayne would like to purchase 6 radios at \$429.00 ea. Don asked how long this price would be in effect. Wayne stated this is first come first serve as there are 18 radios at that price. The Board would like to wait until the end of May to act on this request. Wayne would also like 4 Indian pumps. Lee stated that a partial refund could be obtained from the Dept. of Forest & Parks. Don made the motion seconded by Lee to approve the purchase of 4 Indian pumps at \$84.01 each. Discussion; this purchase will be paid out of New Equipment. Passed. Phil stated that purchase orders haven't been signed therefore Wayne signed them and will have others signed from now on.

POLICE: Richard stated that his department is busy with about 200 calls and 3 detox transports since the last report. The SHARP program is now active.

RESCUE: There is no report for this meeting.

HEALTH: David stated that all has been quiet. He has checked into some rubbish calls and water calls.

GENERAL GOVT: Mary Ann stated that the Y2K process has begun. Eugene is on schedule and new equipment has been ordered. Sonny Demars asked the Board on behalf of the Village Trustees if the Village tax for the power bills could be added

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on to the Town tax for one year. The Town would therefore also collect the delinquencies. The Village will formally ask the Town to take over the street lights officially at a later date. Sonny also informed the Board that two of the Village Trustees have resigned. The discussion regarding the Village tax will continue at the 5/3/99 meeting.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MORRISTOWN BYPASS:

Louis Ferris discussed his concerns regarding the bypass. Mr. Ferris feels that the bypass will reduce too much traffic into the Village therefore poses a threat to the businesses in the Village. Sonny Demars spoke on behalf of the Village Trustees and stated that the bypass is very important and needed. Some of the Village merchants discussed the same concerns regarding a loss of business. Mr. Ferris would like the bypass to be altered so that the traffic is closer to the Village. It was emphasized by the Selectboard that there have been numerous meetings and public hearings requesting input from the local residents regarding their concerns. The meetings and hearings have been very poorly attended and the concerns should have been voiced much sooner. Mr. Ferris stated that he would like to have a feasibility study to be conducted for preliminary findings of the implications of the bypass. The Selectboard is not in favor of anything that will delay or hinder the bypass schedule. The concerns of the Village merchants are understood, however the intent of the bypass is not to decrease business in the Village, rather to eliminate the numerous dump trucks and tractor trailers attempting to maneuver the three turns in the Village which has caused numerous accidents. If the truck traffic is removed, the Village may be an easier place to pass through and shop.

NEW BUSINESS: Don made the motion seconded by Phil to approve the **re-alignment of TH60 for BR32 (Sterling Bridge)** discussion; The re-alignment directly relates to Dan Donza's property. Passed.

Don made the motion seconded by Lee to sign the purchase and sales agreement to sell a portion of the **Riverside Cemetery** land to Jeff Emerson for \$3500.00. Passed.

The Bell Atlantic contract for the Centrix System will be discussed further at the next meeting after more information is obtained.

The letter from Martin Sulham was discussed. Steve made the motion seconded by Lee to reimburse Mr. Sulham the expenses incurred for the error in the **911 address**. The motion was unanimously opposed.

The letter from the **Library** trustees was discussed regarding having **drywall work** done. The Board would like the Library Trustees to solicit bids for the project which would be considered after July 1, 1999.

The letter from Charles Emers regarding having the **Farmer's Market at the Oxbow** was discussed. As more information should be obtained, Mr. Emers will be invited to the next meeting to discuss this further.

LHP has requested 6 parking spaces in the Municipal parking lot for their tenants which would be located over the new Post Office. The Selectboard will NOT designate parking spaces for any individual building.

The offer from Cartographic Associates was discussed regarding changing our mapping system to a digital format. This will be discussed at the next meeting after reviewing with Mary Ann.

The Board would like a **letter written to Barb Farr at LCPC regarding the Selectboard position regarding the bypass**. The Recreation Committee will be invited to the next meeting to discuss their upcoming plans.

Don made the motion seconded by Lee to ask **CREW** to meet elsewhere. discussion; is there a scheduling problem. No. Motion is unanimously opposed.

The DRB, PC, and the Zoning Administrator will be invited to the next meeting to discuss office coverage while the ZA is out.

Theresa Breault requested Mary Brainard be appointed to the DRB. This issue cannot be addressed until a resignation has been received.

OLD BUSINESS: Lee asked to have the issue regarding Ron Belval to be discussed at the next meeting.

PAYROLL/BILLS: Don made the motion seconded by Lee to approve 99.13 PR. Passed. Lee made the motion seconded by Don to approve the payroll dated 4/10/99, 99.14 AP, and 99.04 AP (Rec). Passed.

Don made the motion seconded by Lee to adjourn the meeting of the Selectboard at 9:29 pm. Passed.

Maria Ward, Scribe
Minutes filed 04/20/99

Brian Greenia, Chair
Minutes not approved