

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 17, 2000

PRESENT: Don Anderson, Steven Leach, James Paige, Lee Sturtevant
ABSENT: Brian Greenia

DEPT. HEADS: Bill Moulton, Richard Keith, Wally Reeves, David Godfrey

GUESTS: Ryan Bjerke, George Collier

HIGHWAY REPORT:

The Village has started sweeping and will continue to work on cleaning up the streets. Bill received 1 load of salt before the snowstorm. The crew will be installing the sign for the REC path this week. The Town has been cutting brush and grading roads. There has only been 1 person inquire about the truck and body.

POLICE:

The dept. received about 180 calls in the last 2 weeks – no detox. Eric Dodge attended FTO Training last week and will be attending Firearm Training next week. Operations seem to be running smooth.

Ryan Bjerke was present to give the Board information about the School Resource Officer Program. Ryan explained what an officer's role in the school would be and how the program involves the following 3 levels of interaction:

- 1) Law Enforcement when necessary
- 2) Education (such as DARE and Juvenile Law)
- 3) Breakdown of barriers through positive interaction with students (Proactive vs. Reactive Approach)

The actual costs for this program over a 3-year period would be a total of \$110,000 in which a Grant would cover \$75,000 of this expense. After 3 years there would be a request for a retention plan to retain the officer in the school system for at least 1 year beyond the Grant Program. It is requested to apply for this grant by May 1, 2000 with the final deadline for application being May 31, 2000.

FIRE:

The springs on the F14 1 are not level – they may have to be redone. Wally requested the following 2 purchases:

- 1) 30 gallons of Class A foam. Lee made the motion seconded by Jim to allow the dept. to purchase the foam not to exceed a cost of \$372.00. Passed.
- 2) Purchase of 4 new fiberglass composite bottles to replace 4 steel bottles in continuance of updating the breathing apparatus equipment. Lee made the motion seconded by Jim to allow purchase of 4 bottles not to exceed the cost of \$2500 which will come out of the 'new equipment' budget line item of the dept. Passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

The entrance to the Municipal Parking Lot near new Post Office needs to be refined. This will be completed after parking lines have been redrawn. A site review of the sidewalk near the new Post Office needs to be done to check on any settling.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Lee made the motion seconded by Jim to accept the minutes of the April 3, 2000 Board Meeting as submitted. Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tom Germain has verbally announced he no longer has an interest in serving as designated municipal director on LCPC Board. Don made the motion seconded by Lee to accept his resignation. Passed. A thank-you letter will be sent and the position posted.

George Collier requested to change the dates of the Oxbow Tent Meeting from August 13 – August 19 to July 8 – July 16. Lee made the motion seconded by Don to allow the change of dates as listed. Passed.

Lee made the motion seconded by Jim to sign the Communications Contract for FY2000-2001 between the Town of Morristown and the Lamoille County Sheriff's Department (to be paid in quarterly installments). Passed.

A concern was mentioned of the difficulty to see when pulling out of the municipal parking lot onto Pleasant Street if a vehicle is parked in the 1st parking space to the left of the pull-out.

Allen Newton has completed a survey for lot lines of the Parking Lot near Tottenham's property. Steve will bring plans to Henry and follow up on the necessary quit-claims needed.

The Village annual budget includes \$11,000 for streetlights until July 1, 2000 and a clerk salary. There seems to be confusion and/or misunderstanding as to whether the Village will continue sending tax bills. Since the sewer has gone to W & L, the Town has tentatively taken over tax bills. The Board will plan to meet with the Village Trustees at their next meeting for clarification.

The Board discussed use of the MOTION slips used during Board meetings. It was decided these slips will only be filled out for difficult amended or confusing motions and general motions do not need a slip. Common sense will determine when a slip is necessary.

GENERAL FUND:

Steve made the motion seconded by Lee to pay Warrant #00-16 in the amount of \$19,638.62 and to also include Allen Newton's bill of \$1,980 in addition to this - bringing the total expenditure to \$21,618.00. Passed.

Lee made the motion seconded by Jim to pay Warrant #00-15 in the amount of \$23,746.19. Passed.

Don made the motion seconded by Jim to pay Payroll Warrant for pay period ending 4/8/00 in the amount of \$21,722.16. Passed.