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TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
SELECTBOARD
MINUTES

DATE: March 10, 1997
PRESENT: Brian R. Greenia, Chair, Steven G. Leach, Kenneth E. Grimes, Lee Sturtevant, Carole D. Kissinger
ABSENT: Philip L. Locke
DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT: Mary Ann Wilson, Bill Moulton, Larry Pecor, Wayne Camley, David Godfrey
OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Corse, Amy Kobl Noyes, Henry Tottenham, Charles Castle, Carolyn Roberts

LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

The Meeting of the Liquor Control Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Ken moved and Steve seconded the motion to approve the Liquor and/or Tobacco Licenses for the following businesses that were listed on the overview sheet: A. Voyer, Inc. (L), Bourne's Service Station (T), Copley Golf Corp. (L,T), Cumberland Farms (L,T), Green Mountain Catering (L), Kinney Drugs (L,T), Maxi Drug, Inc. (Brooks Pharmacy) (T), Morrisville House of Pizza (L), Oriental Station (L), Price Chopper (L,T), R.L.Vallee, Inc. (Morrisville Mobil) (L,T), R.L.Vallee, Inc. (Stowe Road Mobil) (?,T), Sherman V. Allen (Morrisville Citgo) (L,T), Tillotson Enterprises (L,T), Tomatillos, Inc. (L), Tomlinson's Store (L,T). Passed. The Board members signed the applications presented by the Town Clerk. Ken moved and Steve seconded the motion to adjourn the Liquor Control Board at 6:31 p.m.

SELECTBOARD MEETING

The Chair opened the Selectboard meeting at 6:32 p.m.

MINUTES: Steve made the motion, seconded by Ken to approve the minutes of the Board meeting on February 24, 1997 with the following addition: The motion to hire Michael Reeve as a Police Officer under the Universal Cops II Grant was seconded by Steve and the motion carried. Passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT

There is an Act 250 Meeting scheduled for the Bishop Marshall School on March 26 here in the Conference Room. Carole reported that Don Anderson had received a letter indicating that the closing on the property involved in the **STAFFORD AVENUE** project will take place on Thursday, March 13, 1997. Brian said that Don has the authorization of the Town to sign the papers concerning this property.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE: Mary Ann told the Board that half of the flooring has been done in the Town Clerk's Office. She has been busy renewing dog licenses and liquor licenses, as well as finishing up from Town Meeting issues.

HEALTH: David said that he has been really busy with **NO HEAT** calls lately. Many of these calls could be considered frivolous. David checked out the schools last week and they checked out OK.

FIRE: The Fire Chief reported that last week was a busy one. Hopefully it will taper off now. Wayne says that Leo from Leo's Engines has a machine that he has manufactured that enables the firemen to more easily load the large 4-inch diameter hose onto the Fire truck. Wayne and some of the other firemen have seen it in action and feel it could be a great assistance to them. Waterbury has had one for

Community. Charles gave the Board a summary of the CVCOA activities in the Morristown area. Brian moved to sign the letter of intent to apply for consideration for funding, asking that the Selectboard be informed of the progress of said grant through review of any minutes that might pertain to this project. Steve seconded the motion. It is understood by the Board that the Town will not incur any cost, audit or otherwise, as a direct or indirect result of this Grant. Passed.

HENRY TOTTENHAM was present because he received a letter from the Board informing him of Peter Bourne's request to transfer responsibility for his **LEASE FOR THE TOTTENHAM BUILDING** to Henry. Henry informed the Board that the lease is not satisfactory with him as it is. He objected to the terminology being used. As it is, it is a 60-day lease, and he would like it to say that it can be terminated for cause; there should be some clause for mutual termination. The lease is not assignable and he would like to be able to assign it. He would like to be able to sublease it with the Board's consent. He would like the rental fee of $2 a sq. ft. lowered. It is excessive and he wants something that is fairly reasonable. Henry does not think that we need engage lawyers. He is willing to offer the Board the standard phrases he wants. After a discussion on who should initiate the lease, it was decided that Henry would submit the terminology that he wants to see in it. The Board will meet in Executive Session in two weeks to discuss the new lease. Another option that Henry would like to see in it is that after five years, the lease could be renewed with options mutually agreed upon by both parties. The rental property in question is the section that adds handicap accessibility to the Sports Bar located on the premises.

OLD BUSINESS

The Selectboard has not received any letters from volunteers for **LCPC, DRB,** or the **PC.** They received a letter of **RESIGNATION FROM THE MORRISTOWN PLANNING COMMISSION** from Bill Bourne. Steve moved to accept Bill's letter. It was seconded by Ken. The Board would like to send a letter expressing its acceptance with regrets and thanking him for his years of service. There was a letter from Bill Flanders **RESIGNING FROM LCPC**. The Board decided not to accept his resignation at this time in hopes that they will be able to find a capacity in which he can serve the Town.

Two letters written by the Rescue Squad and sent to the Sheriff Manosh were reviewed by the Board. Carole is to write a letter to the Sheriff requesting that he **COMMUNICATE WITH THE RESCUE DEPARTMENT**, answering their letters and sending a copy of the letter to the Selectboard.

The Selectboard asked if anyone had heard more about the **DOG PROBLEMS** that Brian Kellogg was working on. Larry knew that Brian had been discussing the issuance of tickets with Jerry, but Mary Ann has not received any tickets from Brian yet.

Brian received a letter from Glen Gershaneck in response to the one that Brian sent in February concerning the **STOP LIGHT AT THE GRAND UNION** entrance. Glen had misplaced it. He will get back to Brian when some kind of a decision has been made.

Steve again brought up the issue of the **STATUS OF SOME OF THE WELCOME SIGNS** that one sees coming into Town. Two he mentioned specifically were the one at the Town Garage and the other, the Welcome to Morristown at the south end of Town. Bill said that the one at the Garage needs painting and he'll take care of it when the weather warms up. The Board advised Carole to write a letter of inquiry to the participating organizations to find out if they would be interested in renovating it or replacing it with a more modern unit. The Board would like a response back by April 15.

Ken moved and Steve seconded his motion to apply for **TWO GRANTS**: 1) a Paving Grant for TH2 and TH5, a 5.2 mile project along Stagecoach Road with a total estimated cost of $313,000.00. The State portion would be $208,677.00, and the Town would pay $104,333.00. 2) a Bridge and Culvert Grant to be used on Bridge #32 on TH60 over Sterling Brook, for a total cost of $22,500 of which $2,500 would be the Town portion. Passed.

The Selectboard wishes to establish a **POLICY** by which a Letter of Intent for a Grant Application must be presented to the Board 14 days before any decision must be made. Barb Farr of LCPC and the various Departments are to be informed of this new policy.

Brian received a letter from the Agency of Commerce and Development re: the Husky plant in Milton. They have extended the regional jurisdiction on this project. If Morristown has any issues with the new business, we should let Barb Farr know. Steve mentioned the issue of Milton getting their new bridge before Morristown gets the Bypass.

Steve made a motion, seconded by Ken, to adjourn. Passed. 8:12 p.m.

The Board reconvened almost immediately to discuss a **LETTER FROM FRED LATOUR**. He wrote a letter to the Board concerning an appeal he would like to make before the DRB. He is unable to do so because of financial straits. The members said that the policy of the DRB designates the $125 fee. It is a policy that was duly warned, adopted and accepted. The process allows for concerns to be addressed at no cost in the earlier stages. The Selectboard will not intervene in this case. They asked that a letter be written to Fred and copies of both letters be forwarded to the PC and the DRB so they know about this resident's concern.

Steve made a motion, seconded by Ken, to adjourn. Passed. 8:45 p.m.

Carole D. Kissinger, Scribe
Minutes filed 03/12/97

Brian R. Greenia, Chair
Minutes not approved