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MORRISTOWN

SELECTBOARD MEETING OF March 8, 2010

Members Present: Brian Kellogg, Min Cote, Todd Yando, Dave Yacovone(arrived at 6:30) and Bob Beeman.

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, TA; Bob Melfy, Highway Superintendent; Richard Keith, Chief of Police, Heidi Krantz, Community Coordinator and Mary Ann Wilson, Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Guests: Alexandra Jump, Heather Sargent, Matt Nadeau, Art Sanborn, John Mandaville, Ed DeBour, Max Paine, Ron Stancliff, Leon Whitcomb, Paul Griswold, John Meyer, Andrew Volansky, Bill Rossmassler, Bill Henchy, Dan Noyes, and Amy Noyes.

Meeting was called to order at 6:03PM in the Tegu Building Community Meeting Room by Brian Kellogg, Chair.

I. Agenda Changes, Announcements & Additions

1. None

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Cady's Falls Bridge-** Mark Young would like to be exempt from the new weight restriction on the bridge. He has a farm in the area and hauling his corn and manure around and over Bridge Street Bridge is almost twice as long as going over Cady's Falls Bridge. Min suggested the Board table this discussion until Dan and himself have a chance to look at the bridges. Min discussed with Mark the reason for the weight restriction on the bridge which was to keep heavy vehicles off it in hopes of prolonging the life of the bridge. Min will report back to the Board and get back to Mark once he and Dan have met.

2. **Zoning- Rock Art Brewery-** Matt Nadeau came to discuss with the Selectboard the re-zoning of the BED along Route 100. He has been talking with Ed Debour about buying a portion of his property to relocate his facility. They have grown considerably and need more space. They would like the opportunity to put a restaurant in the space that would complement their beers. They also plan to sell t-shirts and other Rock Art merchandise as well as hold tastings. Currently the zoning bylaws will allow him to put his facility in that district, but would not allow him to sell his merchandise or open a restaurant as part of the Brewery. Ed DeBour is in support of the project and is currently working with Matt to come up with an agreement that is suitable to both parties. He believes that keeping Rock Art in Morrisville is vital to the community and it would enhance the gateway to our downtown. Matt felt that moving to Route 100 would give him more visibility than he has now; sometimes tourists have a hard time finding him. Matt does wish to keep Rock Art in Morrisville, but he is looking into other properties as he is under some time constraint with a 1 ½ years left on his lease at his current location. The Selectboard agreed that we need to look at re-zoning the BED to allow wholesale and commercial business. The Selectboard asked the Planning Commission how long it would take for this to happen. Bill Henchy thought that it would take 6 months to complete the steps such as gathering public input and holding public hearings. Bill

Rossmassler stated that the quickest it could happen would be 48 days if there are no issues that arise during the public hearings. The Selectboard felt that they needed to expedite the matter as quickly as they could and felt it was vital to do what they can to keep Rock Art in Morrisville.

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Bob Beeman to request the Planning Commission to amend the Zoning bylaws to allow commercial and wholesale use within the BED District as outlined by the proposed bypass and the Village District. Motion passed. (5/0)

3. **Board Reorganization-**

Chair- Bob Beeman nominated Brian Kellogg as Chair, Todd Yando seconded the nomination. Nomination Passed (4/1) Brian abstained
Vice Chair-Min Cote nominated Dave Yacovone as Vice Chair, Bob Beeman Seconded. Nomination passed (4/1) Dave Yacovone abstained.

4. **Permit & Septic Accounts-** Mary Ann went over the history of the accounts and how the State now does the Septic permits. The Town does not collect any fees anymore. The Permit account was a Zoning fees account. We no longer add to this account it any fees are deposited into an operating fund. There is a little over $45,000 with both accounts combined. Mary Ann has suggested combining them into one account called Infrastructure Development account. The new account could be used for projects like the Stafford Ave. sewer project or sidewalk, etc. The Board agreed that this was a better way of labeling the funds.

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Min Cote to combine the Permit Account and the Septic Account in one Account called Infrastructure Development Motion approved (5/0).

5. **Redetermination for the Grand List-**

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Bob Beeman to approve signing the redetermination of the Grand list letter to the State Motion approved (5/0)

6. **Outdoor Farmers Market- Request for Itinerant Vendor**

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Bob Beeman to approve outdoor Farmers Market request for an Itinerant Vendor license. Motion approved (5/0)

7. **Town Appointments-**

With the exception of the Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District all the volunteers for Pound keeper, Fence Viewer, Tree Warden, Animal Control, E-911 Coordinator, Emergency Management, Green-up Coordinator, Town Service officer, DRB and MDF were all willing to serve another term.

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Bob Beeman to approve slate of Appointments as presented with the exception of the Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District representative. Motion approved (5/0).

Frank Lamphier is still not well and will not be able to attend the Solid Waste meeting for another month or two. Dan suggested appointing a Selectboard member that could resign when Frank is well enough to return as our Representative.

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Min Cote to appoint Dave Yacovone as the Towns' Representative to the Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District. Motion approved. (4/1) Dave Yacovone abstained.

8. **Review & Sign Loan Documents for the Bridge Street Bridge-** We are still waiting for the funding from the State. Dan has been in touch with Pam Thurber who said they should have the funding to us within a couple months. Dan didn't want to finance and pay interest on the portion that is supposed to come from the State. Community National revised the loan documents to extend the construction loan for the Board to sign.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Bob Beeman to sign the Bridge Street Bridge Loan Documents with the Community National Bank. Motion Approved. (5/0)

III. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

Motion made by Todd Yando, seconded by Bob Beeman to enter session as Board of Liquor Control at 7:27PM Motion approved. (5/0)

Liquor & Tobacco License Renewals for the following were presented:

- Cumberland Farms of Vermont, Inc. - ***Liquor & Tobacco***
- Sherman Allen, Inc. DBA Mac's Market- ***Liquor & Tobacco***
- VFW Post 9653- ***Liquor, Tobacco& Outside Consumption***

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Min Cote to to approve Liquor & Tobacco License Renewals as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Bob Beeman to exit session as Board of Liquor Control and reenter session of regular Selectboard at 7:30PM. Motion approved (5/0).

IV. TA REPORT

1. We had about 30 applicants for the Zoning Administrator position.
2. Thanks to Mary Ann for all the hard work on Town Meeting
3. Planning commission meeting for March 16th at the VFW at 6Pm.
4. T. Buck will be back around the 1st of April to finish up the punch list
5. Selectboard needs to start thinking about what they want to do for a Town Hall. Should be topic of discussion at the next Town Meeting as our lease will be up in 5 years and it will take that long to get something together.

V. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Brian Kellogg- Has had comments that the Bridge Street Bridge lights are too bright. Dan doesn't think there is any way to change that.

Min Cote- Wants to get together with Dan to look at bridges

Bob Beeman- Speed limit on Morristown Corners Rd. Thought we were going to get it signed. Richard said they would have to move a couple of signs around and order a couple more to post it correctly. Bob will order signs.

Todd Yando-None

Dave Yacovone- Should we form Adhoc Committees for the Town Hall space and to see if we need to change how we do Town Meeting?

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Minutes of 2/8/10
2. Approve & Sign Warrants

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Min Cote to approve consent agenda as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

VII. ADJOURN

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Todd Yando to adjourn meeting at 8:00PM. Motion approved. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 9th day of March, 2010.
Erica Reed, Administrative Assistant

Please note that all minutes are in draft form unless otherwise stated.