TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
SELECTBOARD
MINUTES

DATE: February 22, 1999
PRESENT: Brian R. Greenia, Chair; Steven G. Leach,Lee Sturtevant, Phil Locke, Kenneth E. Grimes, Maria Ward,
DEPARTMENT HEADS: William Moulton, Richard Keith, Wayne Camley, David Godfrey, Mary Ann Wilson
OTHERS: Don Anderson, Barbara Farr, Bill Rossmassler, Jim McDuffee, Gary Shangraw, Craig Keller

The Chair opened the meeting of the Selectboard at 6:43 p.m.

GUESTS: Jim McDuffee from McFarland-Johnson Inc. discussed the replacement of the **Tenney Bridge**. Steve asked if the intersection of Route 15A could line up with the Garfield Road. That is a possibility. The Selectboard would like a bridge to remain open during the construction of a new bridge. Mr. McDuffee stated that any comments or suggestions regarding the bridge should be made during the earliest stages.
Barbara Farr discussed the **Raymo property** on Route 15. This acquisition through Project Impact is on schedule. Barb stated that the home will be checked for asbestos which will be funded by the grant. Heat and electricity will have to be available. It was stated that the demolition of the building will go out to bid. It was also discussed that the Raymo property could be used as a swap in land during the re-construction of the Tenney bridge. Barb is also a member of CREW, she notified the Selectboard that 32 acres of land on Bridge Street will likely be purchased by an anonymous doner for the purpose of the construction of a **Recreation Facility**.
Richard Abare discussed an error in square footage which determines a property value. The property in question is owned by Gail Ames. The Selectboard advised Richard to correct the error as necessary.

A A REPORT: Brian made the motion to hire Greg Paas from Silver Ridge Designs to do a feasibility study for the accessibility of the Town Clerk's Building. Steve would like to pursue other avenues for the design study. Lee and Brian - yes. Steve, Phil, & Ken, No. The motion dies. Requests for a feasibility study will go out to bid.

MINUTES: Brian Greenia would like to amend the minutes of the 2/6/99 meeting stating that $15,000.00 will be set aside for all computer updates that are necessary. A computer for the Police Department is also to be included. Regarding VOSHA inspections, all buildings are to be included. Steve made the motion seconded by Ken to approve the minutes with the above mentioned amendments. Passed.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:
HIGHWAY: The Village has been sanding, salting, and painting. The Town has done some maintenance on the grader. This grader should be replaced in a few years when the cost of the upkeep increases. Steve made the motion seconded by Ken to approve the comp time of 8 ½ hours for Bill. Passed. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to sign the form of completion for the FEMA project on the Garfield Road. Passed. KG abstained. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to sign the Bridge & Culvert grant application for BR 32. Passed. KG abstained.
FIRE: Wayne stated that there was a meeting with Rob Gentile from VLCT regarding the recessitator policy. Wayne would like dry hydrants placed at the Ryder Brook during the construction of the new bridge. Wayne will speak with the local contractors regarding that. All of the air pack compressors have been checked and Wayne is waiting for a report. The face pieces will be tested soon. A monthly inventory is taken on all the vehicles. The Department is currently color coding all equipment for easier tracking. Brian asked if the horn is necessary at the station now that everyone has pagers. Wayne will check into this and it will be discussed at the next meeting.
POLICE: The Police Department has received about 120 calls. Some of the Police Department staff still has some sickness. Lee made the motion seconded by Ken to approve the purchase of a Gateway computer in the amount of $2,327.00. Passed. The part-time officer is currently in training and will be certified as soon as possible. Richard stated that the '97 cruiser has had a recall. The '95 cruiser is still using a lot of oil. The new cruiser should arrive around the middle of March. Regarding the parking ordinance, there will be a sentence added to section A regarding municipally owned property.
HEALTH: David has received calls regarding large animals and Veterinarians have also checked into them. The schools are now inspected. Brian notified David of a meeting for Health Officers March 4 at the Elementary School Library.
GENERAL GOVT: Steve asked Scott Corse if the **lights at the skating rink** could be put on a timer. Scott will take care of this after checking with the Recreation Committee regarding a time limit. Regarding the **Riverside Cemetery property** that Jeff Emerson is interested in purchasing. A special town meeting does not have to take place if the proposal is posted in three places. If there is no opposition the property may be pruchased. Lee made the motion seconded aby Brian to purchase eight chairs from Ward's Systems. Passed.
NEW BUSINESS: The letter received regarding **Ida Mander's property** was discussed. The Water & Light Dept. will take care of the lighting problem. As far as the water in the driveway, Bill stated that Syd had the sidewalk lowered in front of his house which causes the build up of water. Bill stated that he could raise the sidewalk. The snow bank by the garage was