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MORRISTOWN

SELECTBOARD MEETING OF February 18, 2014

Members Present: Bob Beeman (Chair), Min Cote, Brian Kellogg, Steve Rae and Mickey Smith

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Mary Ann Wilson, Clerk/Treasurer; Carol Bradley, Finance Director, Richard Keith, Chief of Police and Denny Digregario, Fire Chief.

Guests: Richard Lowe

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM in the Community Meeting Room by Bob Beeman.

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Add Apply Downtown Transportation Grant to New Business
2. Add discuss Act 250 Permit for Trail Heads
3. Delete Personnel from Other Business

II. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. Mary Ann stated that the brochures have been sent out and it has been posted on the website and Front Porch Forum.
2. Richard Lowe wanted to know what the school track presentation was about, as he had missed the Copley Meeting. Selectboard gave him a copy of the handout. He doesn't feel there are enough kids to support the cost of the project.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. **MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR RT 12 ACCESSESS -** The State AOT Department is going to be doing some paving and reshaping of some of the Town's highway approaches. This agreement basically says that we the Town agree to maintain the approaches once the work has been completed.

   Motion made by Min Cote seconded by Brian Kellogg, to approve maintenance agreement between AOT and the Town of Morristown and to authorize Dan to sign the agreement. Motion approved. (5/0)

1. **ROAD AND BRIDGE STANDARDS-** VTRANS would like a yes or no to whether or not the Selectboard would like to adopt the road and bridge standards. If we should adopt the standards then if there was a catastrophic event such as a flood, then the Town would be reimbursed another $50,000. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator feels that it would cost the Town much more than that to bring our bridges and roads up to the required standards, therefore, Dan recommends that the Selectboard not adopt the Road and Bridge Standards that the State has set forth.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to adopt the VTRANS Road and Bridge Standards. Motion failed (0/5)

2. **HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT-** Dan Lindley, Town Administrator would like to apply for the Homeland Security Grant for a repeater for the Highway Department. This will allow the highway department to get better radio service.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve application for the Homeland Security Grant for a repeater for the Highway Department.

Discussion
Denny Digregario, Fire Chief asked if this included the fire department's radios. Dan said that there are two rounds of grants and the first round was for the fire department radios and the second round was for the highway department repeater.

Motion Approved(5/0)

3. **VACTOR CHANGE ORDER-** JF McDermott has requested a change order for a winterization system for the Vactor truck, and Training for an additional town. The amount of the change order is $1463.00.

Motion made by Min Cote, Seconded by Brian Kellogg approve change order for the Vactor Truck. Motion Approved. (5/0)

4. **ROAD NAME REQUESTS FOR BYPASS CONTRUCTION-** Due to the bypass construction, there are a few roads that will need to be named and or will need signage. The State has agreed to pay for the signs. Laporte Road & Jersey Heights need signs. We have had requests from area property owners to rename what is now being called the Wabun Ave Extension , to Westside Court. The frontage road for Donnie Blake & Lost Nation Brewery will become Old Creamery Road and the West Side of Professional Drive that is being cut off from the Truck Rt. has been requested to be named Gallery Rd. which will be a private road.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Min Cote to approve road name requests for the above mentioned roads. Motion approved (5/0)

5. **DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION GRANT-** Tricia Follert, Community Development Coordinator would like permission to apply for the Downtown Transportation Grant for the purpose of putting in a Welcome Center Kiosk at the Oxbow Park. Construction would not begin until 2015.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve application for the Downtown Transportation Grant. Motion approved (5/0)

6. **ACT250 FOR TRAIL HEAD KIOSK-** There has been some opposition with ACT 250 regarding towns building Kiosks for the rail trail. Wolcott was required to go through the Act 250 in order to have a kiosk built for their trail head because they are part of the Northern Borders Grant but St. Johnsbury was not required to go through the ACT 250 process. We pulled out of the grant due to the cost and the lengthy process of getting the kiosk built.

7. **FIRESTATION-** Denny Digregario the new Fire Chief had a few questions for the Selectboard.

- We have received the new Fire Truck and need to know what the Selectboard would like to do with the old one. Bob Beeman, said that usually we put stuff like that out to bid. Denny will get the information to Erica and she will put it out on VLCT and in the local papers.
- We have portable pumper that we are no longer using. What would the Selectboard like to do with it? Min Cote thought maybe the highway department could use it. Dan will check with Roland and see if it is something that he can use. If not then we can put this out to bid as well.
- We are stripping the Air Trailer, what would the Selectboard like to do with the Air Tanks. Denny thought maybe Hyde Park or North Hyde Park would be interested. The Selectboard told Denny to check with them and have them make an offer.
- Would like to upgrade the lighting at the Fire Station. Dan said that they had the money in the budget for it . They will need to get 3 bids.
- Would like to have another coin drop at some point to help pay for retirement parties for those that will be retiring soon.

IV. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to enter session as Board of Liquor Control. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve liquor license renewals as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

Applicant:	Liquor/Class:	Tobacco:	Outside consumption:
Bliss Rite Pizza Co. (Hoagies)	1st	No	No
Family Dollar Stores of VT	No	Yes	No
Mikca, LLC (Green Top Market)	2nd	Yes	No
Jolyri, LLC (Maple Inn)	1st	No	Yes
VFW Post #9653	Club	No	Yes

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to exit session as Board of Liquor Control. Motion approved. (5/0)

V. TA REPORT

1. Tom Hirchack is planning to go to the DRB with a request to turn the former Green Mt. Arena into an auction house.
2. Paul Trudell did a rendering of what the new town offices could look like. This was a free service.
3. Town Forest- the market price for the pine is very low at this time. Doug has asked if he could cut some of the hardwood. Fran is in agreement and will mark what can be cut. The pine prices will probably go back up this fall. Steve Rae asked if the contract

would cover this. Dan said yes. Selectboard would like Dan to call Ron Stancliff and have him discuss with the Conservation Commission at their next meeting.

VI. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

1. Steve Rae- Todd attending a Water & Light meeting this evening. Dan said that he is talking with them about the wellhead protection area for the Cady's Falls water system.
2. Min Cote- was asked if the Nepveu building was historical. Dan said that it falls into the historical district but can be demolished without disrupting the historical district.
3. Brian Kellogg- have the Village Trustees gotten back to us about the rent fee for the LRSWMD? Dan will follow up on this.
4. Mickey Smith- Should we talk with Craig and or Trustees regarding the ANR water restriction. Dan will set up an meeting with the Trustees.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve consent agenda with corrections. Delete sentence " Selectboard agreed they would discontinue the road once the process is complete" from agenda item Request to Discontinue County Road and change wording of the Logging Contract agenda item to read "Forest Management Plan" instead of "contract" Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to adjourn at 7:30PM. Motion approved. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed, February 19, 2014

Erica Allen, Scribe

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