MORRISTOWN

State of Vermont — Chartered in 1781

SELECTBOARD MEETING OF February 3, 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, Todd Thomas, Planning Director and Richard Keith, Chief of Police

Guests: Tyler Mumley, Jason McArthur, Jonathan Sturgus, Lori Spaulding, Polly McArthur, Charles McArthur, Tim Sargent.

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

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Change #1. under NEw business to read "sidewalk from B St. to BJAMS"

II. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. None

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. **B STREET TO BJAMS-** Tyler Mumley from Ruggiano Engineering, Inc and Todd Thomas, Planning Director, discussed the two options available for adding a sidewalk from B Street to BJAMS. The first option would be connecting a sidewalk from the A St. to B St. project on the west side of Jersey Heights, crossing over Jersey Heights at Audy Lane, to the Bishop Marshall pedestrian tunnel. The second option for sidewalk placement would be a similar installation, but with a crossing of Jersey Heights further to the south, by Rock Art Brewery. The purpose of presenting the options for where a sidewalk could be placed that connects B St to BJAMS is to get the input from the public, as well as determine what the Selectboard's wishes are. Otto Hansen, a representative from RL Vallee, was concerned about curb cuts and what the sidewalk would mean for the entrance and exit of the Irving gas station. Jason McArthur was concerned about some maple trees along the frontage of his Jersey Heights property and suggested that the Selectboard do a site walk of the area and then decide which option would be best. The Selectboard agreed a site walk would be helpful and also agreed to schedule one after Town Meeting.

1. **REQUEST TO DISCONTINUE COUNTY ROAD-** There is an old road that came up in the title search for the Gristmill property. The buyers would like to see the road discontinued to clean up the deed. We would need to go through the Statutory process of 30 days notice to abutters and hold a site hearing. Selectboard agreed they would discontinue the road once the process is complete.

2. **MILEAGE CERTIFICATE FOR 2014-** We had no additions or deletions this year. But we did discover the Sterling Court[turnaround] a part of Jersey Way that is mapped as private but is actually a Town Road that needs to be included in the mileage and added to the Highway map.

   Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve Mileage Certificate as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

3. **BIORENTENTION PROJECT-** This is for the bioretention project for the Manor & the Rescue building. The Manor has an Act 250 permit on their property and need to file an administrative amendment for their portion of their project. Selectboard would need to authorize Dan to act on the Town's behalf since it is a Town project.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to authorize Dan to act on the Town's behalf for the Biorentention Project for the Manor & Rescue Parking lot. Motion approved. (5/0)

4. **MAPLE STREET STORMWATER PIPE BIDS-** We received 3 bids for the pipe for the storm water project on Maple Street. Johnson Hardware bid $24,673.28, EJ Prescott bid $24,726.52 and Ferguson bid $24,775.57.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Min Cote to approve low bid from Johnson Hardware in the amount of $24,673.28. Motion approved (5/0)

5. **PRIVATE ROAD NAME REQUEST**- Richard Tomlinson would like to name his private road CLACK St. which is in reference to his grandchildren**.**

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve name request CLACK St. for Richard Tomlinson. Motion approved (5/0)

6. **RESCUE STIPENDS-** The stipend for the additional hours was supposed to end at the end of November, but the volunteers were not notified of this and two of them continued to pick up extra shifts in December. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator would like authorization to pay $350 to Kristen Lavine and $200 to Ryan Hannon. All volunteers have been notified that the stipends are no longer in effect.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve payment for Kristen Lavine and Ryan Hannon for the December stipends. Motion approved (5/0)

7. **WASHINGTON HIGHWAY/CONGRESS STREET INTERSECTION-** We received a request to change the yield sign on Congress St. to a stop sign as it seems to be a dangerous intersection. Richard Keith, Chief of Police agreed that it should be changed and in addition we should make Washington Highway thru traffic with no yield or stop sign. Richard suggested a "stop ahead sign" to help remind public that there is a stop ahead. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator thinks we may need to amend the Traffic Ordinance, so it wouldn't go into effect for 30days.

Motion made Min Cote seconded by Mickey Smith to approve replacing the yield sign with a stop sign at the end of Congress Street. Motion approved. (5/0)

7. **LOGGING CONTRACT-** The Conservation Commission is in agreement with the contract that Fran devised. Doug Small mentioned that he would be using the state access an may need some excavation work done to improve the road. The Selectboard said that when the weather breaks some the Town employees could help him with the excavation work.

Motion made by Min Cote to authorize Dan Lindley, Town Administrator to sign Contract with Doug Small on behalf of the Selectboard. Motion approved(5/0)

8. TOWN WARNING ARTICLE II- Mary Ann has been working with a committee to come up with an information sheet to put out to the public for Article II that will be on the ballot which is authorizing the Town to purchase the Nepveu property. She is looking for direction on how the Selectboard would like to proceed. The Selectboard would like to get as much information out as possible without seeming as if they are pushing people to vote one way or the other. They want people informed and to encourage them to vote whether it is yay or nay. Mary Ann will work with the committee and get notification out possibly in electric bills or an insert in the paper and Bob Beeman will talk with Roland at WLVB and try to get on the air and encourage voters to attend the informational meeting and to vote whether it is at Town Meeting or by absentee ballot.

9. DISCUSS DEED TO NOYES HOUSE MUSEUM- The Village would like to transfer the deed of the Noyes House Museum Building to the Town of Morristown. Dan Lindley suggested an Executive Session for Real Estate.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to enter Executive Session with the Gallery Present. Motion approved (5/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Min Cote to come out of Executive Session. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to accept the Quit Claim Deed in the amount of $10.00 for the Noyes House Museum. Motion approved. (5/0)

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)

Mary Ann stated that she would like to add Copley Country Club for 1st class and outside consumption and Cumberland Farms for 1st class and Tobacco to the list.

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

Applicant:	Liquor/Class:	Tobacco:	Outside consumption:
Kinney Drugs	2nd	Yes	No
Manosh Ventures (Stone Grill Rest)	1st	No	No
Morrisville House of Pizza	1st	No	No

Slim Point (Bourne's Food Mart)	2nd	Yes	No
Maxi Green Inc. (Rite Aid)	2nd	No	No
Yeah Baby's BBQ-N-Grill	1st	No	No
V-Twin LLC (Corner Pocket)	1st	No	No

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. At the last meeting Steve asked why Roland and his crew were removing ice on the bridge in Sterling Valley. Roland advised that there was a pot hole on the bridge and they removed the ice so that they could take care of it. The y also remove ice on bridges due to build up. When the ice builds up the water can run off.
2. It looks like it may be better to go with Spetic systems for the Trombley Hill Industrial park. The soil has been tested and is excellant for conventional septic systems. It will cost $130,000 to run municipal sewer out there and the recoupment on that cost would be minimal.
3. February 17, 2014 is a holiday, we would like to change the meeting to February 18, 2014. Selectboard is in agreement.
4. The Oxbow Pavillion is out to bid.
5. Mike and his crew intend to clean up the snow and the sidewalks Thursday morning.
6. Talked to the Village Trustees and they are looking into waiving the $200 rent for the Solid Waste District.

VI. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

1. Steve Rae- Should look more closely at the Randolph Rd. intersection once the islands are taken out. Perhaps more signage.
2. Mickey Smith- Morristown PD blotter is in the N&C this week.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve consent agenda with correction to Steve Rae's Selectboard Concern, should read Sterling Valley bridge not Mud City. Motion approved. (5/0)

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Executive Session for Real Estate and Personnel

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Mickey Smith to enter Executive Session for Real Estate and Personnel to include Dan Lindley, Town Administrator. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to exit Executive Session. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to adjourn at 8:50PM. Motion approved. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed, February 4, 2014

Erica Allen, Scribe

Please note that all minutes are in draft form unless otherwise state and are approved at the next meeting.