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MORRISTOWN

SELECTBOARD MEETING OF January 24, 2011

Members Present:	Brian Kellogg, Min Cote, Todd Yando, Bob Beeman and Dave Yacovone (arrived at 6:30).
Department Heads:	Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Carol Bradley, Finance Director; Mary Ann Wilson, Town Clerk/Treasurer; Bob Melfy, Highway Superintendent; Richard Keith, Chief of Police.
Guests:	David Sanborn, Sondra Sanborn, Liz Fox and Thomas Moog.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00PM in the Tegu Building Community Meeting Room by Brian Kellogg, Chair.

I. AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Add Approve & Sign Copley Trust Warning to New Business

II. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. Ed Debor submitted a request to develop an "economic swat team" to help with developing the downtown commercial districts. The committee would consist of members of different organizations, Village Trustees, Selectboard, Economic Development, Town Community Development & Zoning, MACC, State of Vermont, and Local Banks & Real Estate Agents. The Selectboard agreed that we should have a committee designed to help development and improve our downtown. Dan will work with Ed on getting the committee off the ground.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Copley Trust Warning-

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Min Cote to approve and sign Copley Trust Warning. Motion Approved. (4/0)

2. **Oxbow Tree Grant-** Expenses were $4,777.41 less the $3,000 grant leaving an out of pocket cost of $1777.41. Finance office would like to take this from the Forest/Land Maintenance Account tp reimburse the general fund transfer

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Bob Beeman to transfer funds from the Forest/Land Maintenance account for the Town's out of pocket expense for the Oxbow Tree Grant. Motion Approved (4/0)

3. **Town Steeple**- Dan received an estimate to fix & restore the Town Steeple from Southgate Steeplejacks which was $189,600**.** Dan has added this to the Town Warning, to let the voters decided if they want to restore it. We will have the report and estimate as a

handout at Town Meeting. The Selectboard suggested asking David Lowe to attend Town meeting to speak about the Town Clock and Steeple.

4. **Local TIF District-** we have several businesses in the Industrial Park that are in the process of getting permits or all ready have permits for expansion and would like to hook on to the sewer line. Dan would like to create a Municipal TIF District which allow tax from the improvements to the business to reimburse the cost of the improvements, such as if the Town agrees to pay for a portion of the new sewer line then the tax dollars collected on the new addition or building improvements would go back to the Town to recover the portion it paid for the sewer line. The Town would use infrastructure funds to help fund the project and the TIF district funds would be used to replenish the infrastructure fund for future projects

5. **Town Warning-** we had to put the fire truck on the Warning as a separate article. We also included the $189,600 for the Town Steeple as a separate article.

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Min Cote to approve & sign Town Warning as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

6. **Discuss Personnel Policy Section 20 Retiree-**
   Retiree's can now pay their premium direct to NEEW rather than have the Town act as a third party. We would like to give the option to existing retirees to either pay direct or to allow us to act as third party. New retirees will be required to pay their premium direct.

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Min Cote to approve changes to the Personnel Policy Section 20 Retiree's as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

7. **Transfer of Property-** Agency of Transportation is looking to acquire some of the Towns ROW's in order to proceed with the bypass. Dan will post in the News & Citizen and have Steve Rae sign as the Town's agent to convey real estate.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Dave Yacovone to approved ROW transfer of property to the Agency of Transportation for the bypass. Motion approved (5/0)

IV. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Min Cote to enter into session as Board of Liquor Control at 6:30PM. Motion approved. (5/0)

The following Liquor Licenses for renewal

Applicant:	Liquor/Class:	Tobacco:	Outside consumption:
Blissrite Pizza Co (dba Hoagies)	1st	No	No
Bourne's Food Mart	2nd	Yes	No
Cumberland Farms	2nd	Yes	No

Manosh Ventures (Stonegrill)	1st	No	No
Thomas Moog (Moog's) (Formerly Knotty Pine)	1st	No	Yes
Premium Properties (Tomlinson's)	2nd	Yes	No
Price Chopper	2nd	Yes	No
R L Vallee, Inc (Morrisville Mobil)	2nd	Yes	No
Maxi Green Inc (Rite Aid)	N/A	Yes	No
V-Twin LLC (Corner Pocket)	1st	No	No

The Selectboard would be willing to approve Liquor License for Thomas Moog who is the new owner of the former Knotty Pine. Mary Ann stated that he was planning to come in tonight to meet with the Board.

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded Dave Yacovone to approve the Liquor Licenses as presented. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Min Cote, Seconded by Bob Beeman to exit session as Board of Liquor Control and enter session as Selectboard at 6:35 Motion approved. (5/0)

V. TA REPORT

1. February 21 is a holiday We have a Selectboard meeting that night. Dan would like to move it to Tuesday, February 22 before the informational meeting that is scheduled for that night.
2. Met with the Senate Transportation Committee and VLCT, they are looking to make changes in the transportation program.
3. Working on TIF Districts
4. Sidewalk and retaining wall for Rt. 100 South Earmark grant will be working on ROW's after budgets and Town meeting.

VI. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, Seconded by Bob Beeman to enter session as Board of Liquor Control at 7:00PM Motion approved. (5/0)

Discussed with Thomas Moog the type of restaurant that he is planning to open. His hope is to open a family style restaurant with various cuisines. His hours will be 6 days a week from 11:30 am – 2:30 am. He plans to use the outdoor seating in good weather, but will be monitoring continually. Thomas brings 24 years of restaurant/establishment experience.

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Todd Yando to come out of session as Board of Liquor control and enter back into session as Selectboard at 7:05PM Motion approved (5/0)

VII. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Brian Kellogg- Has the dedication been completed? Not completed yet, but on its way.
Bob Beeman- Stop sign @ Big Lots missing. Need to contact Peter Murphy
Todd Yando- None
Dave Yacovone- MRS- Liz Fox is here to present a request to Selectboard to reconsider taking the part-time position out of the budget. As this was not an agenda item the board cannot act on this at this time.
Min Cote- Bridge deck for Cady Falls Bridge? Do we need to apply for funds? Do we need an estimate to do this? Dan will contact Calderwood for an estimate, when it is time to apply for grant funds Dan will do so.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Minutes of 01-10-11
2. Approve & Sign Warrants

Motion made Dave Yacovone, seconded by Min Cote to approve consent agenda as presented. Motion approved. (4/0)

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Bob Beeman to adjourn the meeting at 7:20PM Motion approved. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 26th day January 2011
Erica Reed, Administrative Assistant

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