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SELECTBOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 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 Charlie McArthur, Listing Coordinator.

Guests: Tina Sweet, Charles Cooley, Susan Alexander, & Willie Noyes.

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

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Delete Town Forest Discussion until January 20, 2014
2. Add Rescind Motion to Hire Larry Byrne.

II. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. None

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. **ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM RON STANLIFF-**
   Ron has resigned from the DRB.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Min Cote to accept resignation from Ron Stancliff. Motion approved. (5/0)

2. **AWARD VACTOR TRAILER BID -** This was discussed at a previous Selectboard meeting and it was determined that Dan Lindley, Town Administrator needed to get more information on how the bid specifications were put together before a bid could be awarded. Dan spoke to VTRANS and to the engineer and it has been reccommended that we should accept the bid from JF McDermott due to a couple of items in the HP Fairfield bid that disqualified their bid. Brian Kellogg recalled giving Dan permission to accept the bid he felt was the most qualified. Dan felt that he needed to apprise the board of his conversations with VTRANS and the engineers and the other Towns involved and ask the Selectboard to award the bid.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to award Vactor Trailer bid to JF McDermott Corp. Motion approved (0/5)

3. **LRSWMD-TROMBLEY HILL TRANFER STATION –** Charles Cooley, Willie Noyes and Susan Alexander from LRSWMD came to discuss the relocation of the Transfer Station. The Morrisville Transfer station has had several locations. The last one being private land owned by Morrisville Water Light on Trombley Hill until November when they were moved to a substation owned by MWL due to the rezoning of that area. They are now being charged a monthly fee to use the space at the

substation. LRSWMD is asking the Selectboard for help in locating a permanent spot for the Transfer Station. They also asked if the Selectboard had any pull with the Village Trustees where they could possibly eliminate their monthly rent. They have never had to pay rent at any of the other locations. Due to new mandates they will be required to accept recycling for free and this will result in a significant loss in revenue. This in addition to having to pay rent will have a significant impact on their budget. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator and Todd Thomas, Zoning/Planning Director have been working on finding a new location for the transfer station. The Selectboard said they would talk to the Village Trustees about the monthly rental for the substation. They thanked the LRSWMD for coming.

4. **AUTHORIZE DAN LINDLEY TO REPRESENT SELECTBOARD FOR PINSLEY MANOR ACT 250 HEARING-** Dan Lindley Town Administrator is requesting permission to represent the Selectboard in the Pinsley Manor Act 250 Hearing. Todd Thomas, Zoning Administrator/Planning Director will be representing the Planning Commission.

Motion made by Steve Rae, seconded by Brian Kellogg to authorize Dan Lindley to represent the Selectboard in the Pinsley Manor Act 250 hearing. Motion approved. (5/0)

5. **RESCIND MOTION FOR HIRING LARRY BYRNE –** At a previous meeting the Selectboard made a motion to hire Larry Byrne to oversee the Ice Skating rink on Park Street. Dan Lindley Town Administrator has asked the Selectboard to rescind that motion due to the background check. He also stated that Brian Shackett and members of the Correction Department are going to flood the rink and he believes we may be able to have Brian and his crew over see the rink as well.

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Brian Kellogg to rescind the motion to hire Larry Byrne to oversee the ice rink on Park Street.

Discussion: Mickey asked if it would be an issue if the corrections department was overseeing the rink if we disqualified Larry Byrne due to the background check Dan stated that he didn't see it as a problem as he felt it was not the same type of risk and Brian Shackett supervises the corrections team.

Motion approved (5/0)

6. **BUDGET REVIEW** - Looks like the budget is up about 4.4% . Carol has provided updated information for the Board to review. Still waiting for the dispatch budget and the county tax is up about $703. The last day to sign the warning is January 31, 2014. Carol advised we would like it signed sooner rather than later so that we can get the Town report off to the Printer. Selectboard would like to have some time to review the updates and then make a decision. Dan should have all the numbers for the new office building options next week. We need to schedule another informational meeting to let the public know what the options are and how they impact the budget and taxes. The Selectboard decided they would meet January 15, 2014 at 6:15PM to discuss the budget , January 18, 2014 at 9AM for an informational meeting about new town office space and January 20, 2014 at 5PM as a regular meeting.

IV. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

1. **River Arts has requested and was issued a Catering permit for a Gallery event.**

V. TA REPORT

1. **Building update-** Should have all the building information ready by the end of next week.

VI. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

1. Mickey Smith- Wondered if we need to regulate the electric charging station for electric cars as it seems the same car is parked in that parking space. Dan said that it costs about .5cents a day and the official charging stations have not been installed yet.
2. Bob Beeman said thank you for the new guard rails on the Lower Elmore Mt. Rd. Dan said that those cost the Town about $4800 to get an idea of what something like that cost when we are talking budgets.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

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

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Executive Session for Personnel**
2. **Executive Session for Legal**
3. **Executive Session for Real Estate**

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Mickey Smith to enter Executive Session for Real Estate, Personnel and Legal and to include the Department Heads present and Tina Sweet and Erica Allen in the real estate discussion and to include Dan Lindley & Charlie in the personnel and legal discussion with Mary Ann & Dan. Motion approved. (5/0)

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

Motion made by Min Cote, seconded by Steve Rae to recommend the Fire Chief be a Morristown Resident. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to adjourn at 8:45PM. Motion approved. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed, January 7, 2014

Erica Allen, Scribe

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