

**Town of Morristown  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
April 10, 2012**

**Present:** David Stout, Howard Warren, Frank Putman

**Also:** Kay Davis, Sherry Shatraw, Kevin Crosby, Jay Berkman, Andy Mason, Joe Lightfoot  
Meeting opened at 7:05 PM by Supervisor Putman

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Councilman Warren, and seconded by Councilman Stout, to approve the minutes for the March 6, 2012 regular monthly meeting, as presented.

Vote: David Stout- Aye, Howard Warren-Aye, Frank Putman -Aye – motion approved

**Public Comment Period-** No public comment received

**Old Business**

**1. River Road East Sewer Project-**Jay Berkman and Andy Mason updated the Board on the progress to date. Mr. Berkman stated that approximately 40% of the grinder pumps are in the ground and a number of units are now in service. The work crew is moving around to make connections to accommodate out of town owners. Second quarter bills have been sent out. Superintendent Bogart has met with the contractor to discuss restoration of the roadway. The contractor will be putting a restoration crew in the field soon.

**2. Town Hall Project-** Councilman Warren informed the Board that the County Highway Department had re-plotted the road around the Town property and a map would be ready at some point. Councilman Warren reported that he had attended a funding workshop but grants are not available. The Board discussed funding of the project. Councilman Warren is waiting for a call from County Highway for more details.

**3. Code of Ethics-** the Town attorney is working on the document for future review by the Board.

**4. Blazer Bids-** Supervisor Putman directed Kay Davis to open and read aloud the 4 bids received for the surplus Blazer. The bids were as follows:

1. Barbara Rogers-1,500.00
2. Donnie Aldrich- 300.00
3. Gerald Ferguson - 276.00
4. Chicago Motors- 407.00

After reviewing the bids a motion was made Councilman Warren, seconded by Supervisor Putman to accept the bid of 1,500 from Barbara Rogers.

Vote: David Stout- Aye, Howard Warren-Aye, Frank Putman -Aye – motion approved

**5. Ambent Energy-**The Board agreed to table any discussion until a full Board is in attendance.

**New Business**

**1. IMA-** The Board briefly reviewed the final version of the Inter Municipal Agreement for Wastewater District #2 between the Village of Morristown and the Town of Morristown. A motion was made by Supervisor Putman, seconded by Councilman Stout to authorize the Supervisor to endorse the agreement.

Vote: David Stout- Aye, Howard Warren-Aye, Frank Putman -Aye – motion approved

**2. Drainage District Request-**The Board reviewed a request from Levi Swartzentruber for return of funds from the expired drainage district. Mr. Swartzentruber owns property that is in the district. Upon previous advice from the Town Attorney the Board agreed to return the funds as per the calculation provided by the Town Clerk. A motion was made by Supervisor Putman, seconded by Councilman Stout to pay 252.03 to Levi Swartzentruber for return of funds from the expired drainage district.

Vote: David Stout- Aye, Howard Warren-Aye, Frank Putman -Aye – motion approved

**3. Support for County Resolution No. 67-2012-**Supervisor Putman moved resolution # 5 of 2012 as follows: **Resolved: The Town of Morristown Town Board fully supports County Resolution # 67-2012 Reinforcing Support for the Construction of the Interstate 98 Multi-Modal Corridor and Supporting Improvements to US Route 11 and to Give Priority to the Canton, Potsdam, and Gouverneur Areas.** The resolution was seconded by Councilman Stout.

Vote: David Stout- Aye, Howard Warren-Aye, Frank Putman -Aye – motion approved

**4. Other-Cemeteries-** The Board briefly discussed fees for cemetery plots and asked the clerk for cost for plots at other similar cemeteries.

### **Department Reports**

**1. Code Enforcement-** A written monthly report was given to the Board by Kay Davis. She also handed out information on business incentive programs for Board review. A vehicle policy was handed out but no action was taken on that. The Code Officer received permission to use the Deputy Clerk to assist in a pole survey and Junk Law Survey.

**2. Highway Department-** The Highway Superintendent presented a written monthly report to the Board. 7 employment applications were received and interviews will be conducted.

**3. Sewer Department-**Superintendent Crosby informed the Board that the vacuum pumps keep losing prime and will need maintenance. He will contact Seiwert.

Supervisor Putman adjourned the meeting upon motion at 8:05 PM

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by David Murray, Town Clerk