

**Regular Monthly Meeting  
June 14, 2011  
Town of Morristown**

**Present:** Frank Putman, Gary Turner, Mark Blanchard, Howard Warren

**Absent:** David Stout

**Also Present:** Mike Bogart Kay Davis, Joe Lightfoot, Kevin Crosby, Kathy Bateman, Tim Burley (engineer)

Supervisor Putman opened the meeting at 7 PM.

**Approval of Minutes-** A motion was made by Councilman Warren, seconded by Councilman Turner to approve the minutes of May 10, 2011, as presented.

Vote: Turner-Aye, Blanchard-Aye, Warren-Aye Putman-Aye-Motion Carries

**Correspondence** –A letter was received from Senator Ritchie updating NYS Department of Health and local organizations and the serving of food at fundraising and social events.

**Public Comment Period-**

**Joe Lightfoot**, County Legislator, spoke about the financial state of the county and gave a short presentation on budget shortfalls and proposed budget modifications.

**Kerry Bliss** asked about a wind energy letter sent to the Board.

**Michelle Whalen** asked about the status of the Bed Rock Café project and why it was taking so much time for Planning approval.

**Lou Sheppard** of Cancer Action spoke on chemicals in the environment.

**Don Hassig** of Cancer Action spoke on prohibiting the private burial of solid waste and scientific research on cancer.

**Wayne Sardullo** asked about town level alternative energy exemptions.

**Old Business**

- 1. Sewer Project Update-** Tim Burley reviewed the bids received for the project. He advised the Board to increase legal fees in the budget from \$10,000 to \$22,000.

A motion was made by Supervisor Putman, seconded by Councilman Blanchard to increase legal fees in the budget from \$10,000 to \$22,000.

Vote: Turner-Aye, Blanchard-Aye, Warren-Aye Putman-Aye-Motion Carries

After discussion with the engineer Councilman Warren moved, and was seconded by Councilman Turner to adopt resolution #4 of 2011 as follows:

**A Resolution to Award Town of Morristown-Sewer District #2  
Contract No. 1-Wastewater Collection System**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Morristown has received and reviewed the bid documents and the recommendations of their Engineer for the construction of Sewer District #2-Contract No. 1-Wastewater Collection System, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Morristown is desirous of entering into a contract for the construction of Contract No. 1-Wastewater Collection System;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Supervisor of the Town of Morristown is authorized on behalf of the Town Board of the Town of Morristown, to enter into a contract

(copies of which are to be filed with the Town Clerk), with the following contractor and in the amount as follows:

**Contract No. 1- Wastewater collection System to Con-Tech Building Systems, Inc. for the bid price of Two Million, Four Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand, Sixty-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,497,065.00).**

This resolution is subject to the approval and concurrence of the Town's Attorney.

Vote: Turner-Aye, Blanchard-Aye, Warren-Aye Putman-Aye-Motion Carries

**2. Health Insurance** – The Board asked the clerk to contact the Board by email to set a date for the next meeting when it is scheduled.

**3. Wind Law**-The Board was updated on the review from the County Planning Office. The law is now back with Labella for review.

**4. Other**-none

### **New Business**

**1. Gateway Museum Funding Request**- A motion was made by Supervisor Putman, seconded by Councilman Warren to authorize payment of \$500.00 to the Gateway Museum for their annual request for support.

Vote: Turner-Aye, Blanchard-Aye, Warren-Aye Putman-Aye-Motion Carries

**2. Alternative Energy Exemption**- The Board discussed creating a local exemption for alternative energy projects for the Town. The assessor will look at this issue to see what the state has in place.

**3. Other**- None

### **Committee Reports**

**1. PDM**- No report

### **Department Reports**

**1. Assessor**- Written report handed out.

**2. Code Enforcement**- Written report handed out.

**3. Highway Department**- Written report handed out. A request was received from the Morristown Fire Department for Highway help in grading the track behind the fire hall. A motion was made by Supervisor Putman, seconded by Councilman Blanchard to authorize the Town Highway Department to provide the requested assistance.

Vote: Turner-Aye, Blanchard-Aye, Warren-Aye Putman-Aye-Motion Carries

Superintendent Bogart informed the Board he had submitted salt barn roof replacement bids to NYMIR and was waiting to hear on their response. He also submitted price information on a new John Deere front end loader at \$119,000 OGS Contract price. Supervisor Putman asked for a breakdown of where the money will be coming from. Councilman Warren asked Mr. Bogart to check into leasing of the loader as an option.

**4. Sewer Department**- Kevin Crosby reported on the cause of the abnormally high flows. They found a sewer line that had been cut by a contractor. The cost to the town may be from 2 to 7 thousand dollars.

**5. Dog Warden** – Written report in Board packet.

**6. Historians Report** – Written annual report in Board packet.

Adjournment upon motion at 9:05 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by David Murray-Town Clerk