

**Town of Morristown
Regular Monthly Meeting
September 14, 2010**

Present: Frank Putman, Gary Turner, Howard Warren, Michael Bogart, Kay Davis, Kathy Bateman, Kevin Crosby, Karl Bender (engineer), Joseph Lightfoot
Absent: Mark Blanchard, David Stout III

Approval of Minutes –A motion was made by Councilman Turner, seconded by Councilman Warren to approve the minutes of August 10, 2010.
Vote: F Putman-Aye, G. Turner-Aye, H. Warren-Aye

**Public Comment Period.
Correspondence**

Old Business

- 1. River Road East Sewer Project** – A memo from Tim Burley was given to the Board explaining where the project was.
- 2. Town Hall Project-Cost Estimates**-Engineer Karl Bender talked about mortgage costs and working backward to a design once the Board has a cost in mind for the project. USDA financing and bonding were discussed. At 4,000 square feet down wood construction and over that steel would be preferred. Kay, Karl and Kevin will look at the site more closely. The clerk will write a letter to the village to request a sewer point tap when the new line extension is built.
- 3. Dog Licensing**-Clerk's office is conducting a census in Mid October. The Town will be responsible in January 2011 for reminder notices, dog tags and a new local law.
- 4. Security Items**-A quote is needed for a security camera in the court office.
- 5. Voting Machines**-A motion was made by Supervisor Putman, seconded by Councilman Warren to dispose of the two old voting machines. One is to be given to the Gateway Museum and the other is to be put into the metal dumpster
. Vote: F Putman-Aye, G. Turner-Aye, H. Warren-Aye
- 6. Sand Bids**- One sealed bid was received from Cooke's Sand and Gravel. Superintendent Bogart opened the bid and read it aloud. The bid specified screened sand at 6.75 dollars per ton delivered, and a non-collusion certificate was included . A motion was made by Councilman Warren and seconded by Councilman Turner to accept Cooke's Sand and Gravel's bid of \$6.75 per ton delivered for winter sand.
Vote: F Putman-Aye, G. Turner-Aye, H. Warren-Aye

New Business

- 1. Resolution –First Niagara**-A motion was made by Councilman Turner, seconded by Supervisor Putman to adopt resolution # 17 of 2010 for financing for the 2011 International Plow Truck. Vote: F Putman-Aye, G. Turner-Aye, H. Warren-Aye
- 2. 2010 Court Audit**- The court clerk/bookkeeper will have the court financial records available for the Board members to individually audit. Board members should contact the Court Clerk/Bookkeeper to set a time to do so.

3. **General Town Audit**-Clerk is waiting for responses from RFP's sent to area accounting firms.
4. **Resignation of Planning Board Chair**-Planning Board Chair Phil Barse tendered his resignation. The Board directed the clerk to advertise for a Planning Board member replacement.
5. **Fuel Bids**-The Board directed the clerk to advertise for fuel oil bids for 2011. Bids to be opened at the next meeting.
6. **Other**-Councilman Turner made a motion, seconded by Councilman Warren to send a letter to MCS Superintendent Glover stating the Town's position on the proposed changes to the school bus policy. The Town opposes the changes and the current policy should stay in place for safety as the safety of the children is paramount. Children should not be walking on the roads to get to a bus pickup point.
Vote: F Putman-Aye, G. Turner-Aye, H. Warren-Aye

Committee Reports

PDM No Report

Department Reports

Code Enforcement Officer Monthly report handed out. Discussed Edwardsville grocery building condition. CEO is aware and is working on the problem.

Assessor- Report made to Board. Handed out some materials.

Highway Superintendent- Monthly report handed out. Submitted annual equipment inventory to the Clerk. Brought to the Board the County's proposal for winter maintenance with no change from 2010. A motion was made by Councilman Warren, seconded by Councilman Turner to enter into a 1 year winter maintenance agreement with St. Lawrence County for 2011.

Vote: F Putman-Aye, G. Turner-Aye, H. Warren-Aye

Sewer District-Kevin Crosby presented some sewer OT from July but no calls otherwise.

Will be upgrading electrical system soon at the vac station. Also thanked the Town Highway for assistance with the recent village paving project.

Dog Control Officer-Written report given to the Board.

Meeting adjourned upon motion at 8:45

Minutes respectfully submitted by David Murray, Town Clerk