## TOWN OF MORRISTOWN PUBLIC HEARING WATER STUDY MINUTES WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2013

## I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Ralph Henderson called the Water Study Public Hearing to order at 7 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. All five council members were present: David Benefiel, Kristi Langkabel, Ralph Henderson, Larry Tracy, William White and clerk-treasurer, Don Roberts

President Henderson turned the Public Hearing over to Mr. Keith Bryant, of United Consulting. Mr. Bryant presented an overview of the water study of the Morristown Water Company.

Mr. Bryant started off by telling everyone that the Morristown Water System is well maintained. Two existing water towers undergo annual maintenance checks and are in good shape. Mr. Bryant stated that current population could increase causing some strain on the existing system if the future is not looked at. The Town could run out of water in the next 20 years if nothing is done.

Mr. Bryant stated that a plan should be composed of the most critical needs of the Town.

A: Insertion of adequate isolation valves to protect the public health and to promote future system upkeep and maintenance.

B: Replace undersize mains for proper fire flow and water service to existing customers.

C: Continue the process to do away with dead end lines.

D: The Town should proceed to look at the replacement for Plant One with a new well field, and water treatment plant within the next 5 years.

Mr. Bryant asked if anyone in attendance had questions?

Mr. Andrew Abrams: I live in Freeport and have no well problems.

Teresa Lawless: Wells and septic systems good in Freeport.

Sherrie Dugger: asked where will the raw water come from?

Mr. Bryant stated that the Town would have to exploration of the area to see where the most abundant supply of ground water is.

Susie Keaton: Aquifer that feeds Morristown Water System, Where does it go?

Sara Goedde: What acquifer do we pull from?

Mr. Bryant stated that many of the questions would be answered when the Town starts looking for additional water supply.

Mr. Bryant thanked everyone in attendance.

Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

Ralph Henderson, President

Donald L. Roberts, Clerk-Treasurer