Town of Sweden Selectmen's Meeting April 26, 2016

Attendance: Lori Bennett, Bruce Taylor, Kim Ashley and DJ Curtis.

Lori Bennett called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 pm and then called the meeting to order.

Lori made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes April 12, 2016 with corrections. Motion was 2nd by Bruce Taylor, approved 2 -0.

Visitors:

No visitors

Report of officers and committees:

Animal Control Officer- Jacqueline Frye:

No report

The Selectmen reviewed an email shared by Kim Ashley, Town Treasurer, regarding the mileage the ACO had expended in March. For the period between March 19, 2016 and March 23, 2016, the ACO spent 15.5 hours and 295 miles relocating 5 horses and 1 donkey.

Lori made a motion to pay the mileage for the ACO in the amount of \$165.00 for the above mentioned extenuating event and to pay it from the contingency fund. Bruce 2nd the motion and it was approved 2-0.

CEO- Eric Gulbrandsen:

Lori said, the Bridgton Academy project has violated their stop work order on the cabin. A phosphorus control plan was given to Eric Gulbrandsen from Bridgton Academy. Eric responded to Bridgton Academy that the phosphorus control plan was not complete. We are awaiting a new revised complete phosphorus control plan, Lori said. Legal action is a possibility, Lori said. The plan will need to be acceptable by a qualified person. Lori said they are hoping in setting up a meeting between the Selectmen, Bridgton Academy, and the McQueen's next week to ensure everyone knows what is needed.

Lori said she is giving Eric Gulbrandsen an official letter telling him that there is a possibility that he may not be reappointed as the Town of Sweden's Code Enforcement Officer.

Clerk - Alberta Ridlon:

Janet Mahannah will be the new cemetery sexton, Lori said.

The Selectmen signed new appointments for Diana Curtis for a period of 1 year.

Debra Taylor as E911 appointment will be signed at the next meeting.

Treasurer-Kim Ashley

Kim said she had to call Chris Sanborn because she was having printing issues. He told her the printer may need a new transfer belt. Kim is looking into repairing or renting a new printer and will get the Selectmen cost estimates.

Kim reported that John O'Donnell said we had 94 hits two weeks ago on the new online site.

Kim also discussed with the Selectmen who has keys and who also needs keys.

Lori told Bruce that she will have the Reece contract at the attorneys tomorrow, if he could stop in to sign it in front of the notary.

SVFD - Tim Cook

Tim Cook gave the Selectmen information regarding a new fire station. He has put out queries regarding steel frame buildings. If we can do the site work ourselves, we could save \$100,000, Tim said.

Tim said he is working on putting the serial numbers on each piece of inventory. Some of the equipment is difficult to get the numbers off of but he will do his best.

Engine 3 has had a failure, Tim said. He has contracted a maintenance person to fix the problem with this tank leak. Hopefully it will give a couple more years of service.

Tim said he hopes to give the Selectmen at the next meeting more information regarding the new fire station project. He is hoping to keep the project budget below \$400,000.00.

Bruce asked Tim how many responders went to the brush fires? Tim said six or so for each.

Road Commissioner – Stephen Bennett:

ROAD COMMISSIONERS REPORT

4/13/16-4/26/16

Work done since last report:

Two cones put on Webber Pond Rd. hill for a big pot hole.

Work to be done in the next month:

Ditching on Webber Pond Rd. Gravel to be put down and dirt roads graded.

Expenses:

Anticipated expenses:

Troy Morse Concrete – Sanding bill

Comments:

Getting paving prices on roads that are getting paved. Will be contacting Steve Swasey Construction about doing roadside mowing this year.

Admin. Assistant - Diana Curtis (DJ)

DJ Curtis distributed to the Selectmen the current 2016 Profit and Loss Report.

She discussed fire department funding for new building, the town will need to look into bonding the money to build a new fire station, if the citizens of Sweden approved the new building. Bonding applications are lengthy and only available during set times during the year. She also briefly discussed the insurance benefits to citizens dependent on type of fire building and equipment.

Old Business

Bruce asked if the information that was requested had been given to Julie McQueen. Lori said the information is all here at the town office.

Lori said the 2015 CEO files need to be brought here and a key made accessible to the file cabinet. There is no key here for the CEO file cabinet, Lori said.

New Business

Communications/Mail Received:

Letter from MEMIC regarding an old workman's compensation statement.

Seniors Plus sent a bill for 2016 donation allocated.

Lucy Marks vs Town of Sweden Board of Appeals package received from Hastings Malia.

Next meeting will be May 10, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Lori made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 pm. Bruce 2nd the motion and it was passed 2-0.

Respectfully

Diana J. Curtis Adm. Asst. to Board of Selectmen