

Town of Sweden Selectmen's Meeting  
Tuesday, July 26, 2016

**Attendance:** Lori Bennett, Wayne Miller, Bruce Taylor, Kim Ashley, Tim Cook and DJ Curtis.

Wayne Miller called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:03 pm and then called the meeting to order.

Lori Bennett made a motion to table the approval of the Selectmen's meeting minutes May 24, 2016 until the next meeting. The Selectmen will forward corrections to DJ. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne, approved 3 -0.

Lori made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes July 12, 2016 with corrections. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce and approved 3-0.

**Visitors:**

None

**Report of officers and committees:**

**Animal Control Officer- Jacqueline Frye:**

None

**CEO-:**

Lori discussed with the Selectmen an email from Steve Sanborn. He is not interested in being the alternate CEO, the email said.

Jim Carty also said he was not interested, Lori reported, but that he would do it until we found someone to fill the CEO position.

Lori also discussed Larry Lyle with the Selectmen, who may be interested in the CEO position. There are inspections and timber harvest forms that need to be done. He would like more money, Lori said.

Bruce Taylor suggested having a Selectmen's meeting next Wednesday to discuss the CEO position with Larry Lyle.

Bruce made a motion to hold a Selectmen's Workshop Meeting for Wednesday, August 3, 2016 at 6:00 pm for the purpose of meeting Mr. Larry Lyle and discussing the open CEO's position. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne and approved 3-0.

Lori discussed the Bridgton Academy issues with the Selectmen. She stated that they have a new attorney.

Lori discussed the differences in the communications with the town attorney and why the wording in her letter needed to remain. She said she thinks Mr. Malia is in agreement with her on keeping the issues together. Bruce said that one issue that needs to be settled from the town's point of view is the right of way. Lori read an email from Laura Chadbourne regarding the right of way requirements from the Town Planning Board. Before the Planning Board can even look at a phosphorus control plan, they must first have the McQueen's approval for the right of way, Lori said. Lori said the consent agreement will be fine and we need to move forward now. The phosphorus control plan is way overdue, Lori said.

Bruce said that there should be a signature line in the agreement for the McQueen's. They need to approve the right of way, he said. Lori said she would talk to Peter Malia about putting the McQueen's on the letter.

Bruce said he is afraid of signing a document that we, the town, cannot enforce.

Lori said, yes, we can only enforce certain items, but she is sure that he would not have them in the agreement if it was wrong.

**Clerk – Alberta Ridlon:**

Alberta Ridlon left a catalog of stickers that she would like to purchase.

Wayne made a motion to allow Alberta to order “I voted” stickers for \$62. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce and approved 3-0.

**Treasurer-Kim Ashley**

Kim Ashley spoke to the Selectmen about the building permit for the Constantino’s. Eric had signed it and checked the certificate of occupancy is necessary box. Kim said a woman from bank had called trying to help them get a loan. Lori said that MMA said that it is not necessary. Lori said she wondered if they could write a letter that it was in error and that the occupancy certificate is not necessary as per MMA. Lori read a letter to the Selectmen for them to sign to correct this issue saying that it was checked in the form by mistake. Bruce said we should add that there is no ordinance or need in the Town of Sweden for a certificate of occupancy.

**SVFD – Tim Cook**

Tim Cook discussed the issues with the building insurance. The town can get insurance on vehicles and equipment but not the building. He also reported that a door had been replaced.

Bruce discussed the fire extinguisher inspections, and that Corin handled it.

Kim asked the Selectmen about giving Corin a key to the furnace maintenance room at the Town Office and Town Hall. Tim suggested a lock box for keys that would be accessible to the people who have the authority.

Tim discussed matching grants for safety cones and signs. Bruce said he would call MMA to get additional information.

**Road Commissioner – Stephen Bennett:**

ROAD COMMISSIONERS REPORT

7/13/16-7/26/16

**Work done since last report:**

More ditching and culverts done on Webber Pond Rd. Ledge Hill Rd. fixed with gravel. Perry Hill Rd. fixed with gravel. Ditching done on Haskell Hill Rd.

**Work to be done in the next month:**

More ditching and culverts to be done on Webber Pond Rd and ditching on Wint Rd. Intersections to be swept.

**Expenses:**

Steve Bennett Trucking, Inc. - \$11,375.00

F. R. Carroll - \$3,185.00

**Anticipated expenses:**

Steve Bennett Trucking, Inc.

F. R. Carroll Paving

**Comments:**

Wayne made a suggestion to not do intersection sweeping as they are all clear, he said.

More culverts are needed by the cemetery Lori said.

Black Mountain Road, by the first house, has no ditch in front of it Lori said, and will need some ditching.

Lori has asked if the Selectmen could reverse a stop order. Wayne said if they have removed the violation then they could reapply with the fee waived.

**Admin. Assistant – Diana Curtis (DJ)**

DJ Curtis distributed the current Profit & Loss report with budget.

She also discussed the additional LRAP info needed by the state. Lori said she would forward that information to DJ.

Bruce suggested Sat Sept, 24, 2014 for the Special Town Meeting. We will discuss legal expenses, CEO salary and also ask to take money from Ridlon Cemetery to pay for Ridlon Cemetery expenses in removing trees.

**Old Business**

Wayne said he still has not heard from Nate. Lori said she would call him. Wayne said, if he is not interested, he would find someone else.

Bruce said he had spoken with Qteam and Janet Mahannah, regarding the Ridlon Cemetery Tree removal and that they would be willing to wait until September or October for payment. He said they are scheduling out to August or September for work. Bill Centamore will have to give permission to have Qteam put a truck on his property.

Bruce shared an email from John Gillis from Evans Hill Road asking about road maintenance up to his driveway. Wayne said the road was discontinued for road maintenance. Wayne said we need to have Alberta look up when it was discontinued.

**New Business**

Laura Chadbourne sent an email regarding visibility on Fern Drive. Lori said they would look at it and that it is a blind spot.

Kim asked about getting some of the bushes cleaned out in front of the Town Office. Wayne said he would check on cost for it.

Kim also asked about the wasps' nests outside the building and if we get them knocked down. Bruce offered to spray them and knock them down.

**Communications/Mail Received:**

Next meeting will be August 9, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Lori made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm. Wayne 2nd the motion and it was passed 3-0.

Respectfully

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

