

Town of Sweden Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2018

Attendance: Kim Ashley, Lori Bennett, Stephen Bennett, Jenna Domer, Arthur Dunlap, Ryan Fowler and C.Wayne Miller

Lori called for the pledge of allegiance at 6:02pm and then called the meeting to order.

Lori made a motion to approve the minutes from April 24, 2018 as written, Wayne 2nd the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Visitors: Howard Bucker, Sweden resident and Tia Famularo, a non-resident were present to observe the meeting. Jason Wentworth of AJ's Blacktop Seal Coating was present to discuss crack seal for the roads of Sweden. He gave an estimate for 1 pallet of rubber, Black Beauty and labor and installation at the price of \$6,500.00. The process would involve cleaning out cracks with a crack debris remover and then filled with hot rubber that is heated to 450 degrees. A sand material, Black Beauty, will be applied to the top of the hot rubber to assist with traction. The selectmen took the information under advisement and will contact Mr. Wentworth if they would like to proceed.

Reports of officers and committees:

Animal Control Officer-Jenna informed the Selectmen that Jacqueline Frye has resigned and has asked us to find a replacement for her as she has accepted a full-time position. Jenna had contacted Cynthia Eaton who is the ACO for the town of Lovell as well as many other surrounding communities and she will accept the appointment. She will attend the May 22nd Selectmen's meeting. Jenna also produced a quote for a carbon copy demand letter for the ACO to utilize at the cost of \$36.29 for 50 forms.

Administrative Assistant- Jenna gave an update from MMA regarding the need for a recreational marijuana ordinance. The legislature was successful in overriding the Governor's veto and enacting as an emergency the Adult Use Marijuana Act. This act will prevent the operation of any commercial adult use marijuana establishment in any municipality until the legislative body of the municipality votes to allow the commercial establishments. Individuals who wish to submit a permit for a nursery cultivation license may not do so in the Town of Sweden as the municipality will not authorize that type of license.

AA also stated she met with Marcus Ballou, Member Services Supervisor from MMA. He gave a valuable tour of the website and offered free services for employee legal assistance. He also stated all manuals are online and searchable by word and there is no need to pay the costly expense of ordering paper copies or downloading and printing the manuals any longer.

The discussion regarding this years Winter road contract commenced, and it was decided to schedule a workshop with Troy Morse and Phil Curtis, Road Ranger, and the Budget Committee for the negotiation of the contract. Jenna will schedule the workshop and all parties involved.

CEO-Arthur informed the board that RV permits have not been issued for several years and he will be notifying anyone in violation and will require RV permits going forward. He has approved the building permit for Roderick and Katherine Scott at 82 Plummer School Road. They have submitted a drawing to include a 50 foot right of way which meets the requirements of the ordinance, the appeal will be withdrawn.

Clerk- AA in the absence of the clerk submitted appointments to be signed by the selectmen

Fire Chief- The Fire Chief was absent however, there was discussion of scheduling a Selectmen's workshop to re-enact the Fire Station Building Committee, Jim Willey and Frank Howell were to be contacted to ask to attend as well as Julie McQueen. The purpose of this meeting is to review where the last committee left off, establish a new committee and determine an objective. Jenna will contact all parties involved to schedule a meeting.

Road Commissioner- Stephen advised the board that work was to start next week on Plummer School Road and Smarts Hill Road. The hole on Webber Pond Road has been repaired. Most posted road signs have been removed.

Tax Collector/Treasurer- Kim produced an expense report for review by the Selectmen. The warrant was reviewed. Lori made a motion to sign and approve the warrant dated May 8, 2018 minus an invoice payable to Hastings Malia which should be submitted by the Board of Appeals to Roderick and Katherine Scott at 82 Plummer School Road for recoupment of funds for the appeals process. Wayne 2nd the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Kim Ashley, Tax Collector/Treasurer submitted her resignation to the Town of Sweden and her last date of employment is May 8, 2018.

Old Business-AA stated Flanders Electric will install the generator at the Town Office on May 14, 2018, the office may be without power up to 4 hours. Suburban propane will also install the propane for the Town Office generator on the same date and will as a courtesy check the pilot lights on the Town Meeting House Range to see if an adjustment is needed.

The Historical Society has asked for the Town to purchase a spotlight for the flagpole at the Town Meeting House. The quote is for a sunnytech solar light from Amazon for \$45.99. Wayne made a motion to purchase the light for the flagpole, Ryan 2nd the motion and it was approved unanimously.

New Business- none

Mail and Correspondence-

- Letter dated April 26, 2018 from MMA re: nominations to MMA's 2018-2020 Legislative Policy Committee
- Letter dated April 23, 2018 from Maine School District No. 72 regarding Sweden student report

Lori made a motion to adjourn, the motion was 2nd by Wayne and approved unanimously.

Respectfully,

Jenna Domer
Administrative Assistant