## Minutes Selectmen's Meeting - June 26, 2007 - Sweden Town Office

Present: Selectmen Harris, Willey and Jones, Clerk Jane Gibbons, Admin. Assistant Diana J. Curtis, Earl Bucker, John Clifford, Bob Drew

Meeting was called to order and pledge given at 7:12 p.m. Mr. Harris moved that Minutes for the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting be approved. Voted 3-0. Minutes for the June 12 will be typed up by DJ Curtis.

Roads: J. Clifford stated that the areas to be repaved on Webber Pond Road and Haskell Hill Road were quite <a href="mailto:small">small</a> and suggested that Mr. Drew could do those repairs rather than hiring an outside contractor. As these roads come under the FEMA application they will not be repaired until we receive a FEMA reimbursement. Patching on various town roads could begin with the money coming from Summer Roads accounts. These might include Plummer School Road, Smarts Hill Road, etc. Mr. Harris moved that Pot holes on Town roads be paved now. 3-0. News of the amount that will be granted by FEMA is due July 3.

Trull Brook Road Bridge Repair: Road Closure notices are to be sent to Bridgton News by Mr. Willey. Mr. Bucker stated that better gravel should be laid on Tru11 Brook Road near route 93 before the road closure. Mr. Willey will speak to Rob Drew about the water problem on that road.

DJ- Financial Issues - The line of credit has been set up with Norway Bank. Mr. Harris raised the issue of moving the town accounts to Norway from Key Bank. DJ said the assessor had dropped off the books and estimated the mill rate would be .00945, less than expected, as the school district has not increased its budget as much as it had in the past several years. DJ estimated that the Real Estate valuation would be raised 2% over last year. Taxes should go out July 16. A vote on mill rate will be taken by Selectmen on July 10.

We need an inventory of town office equipment for insurance. MMA had questions about the coverage of constables. As these officers are used only for posting of notices, there did not appear to be special coverage needed for them.

Audit Results -There is still no auditor's report. The auditor stated that he expected the report to be done this week.

Knights Hill Road Compliance Status - The Lawyer is awaiting a court date.

Fire Station Status - Mr. Duve was not here to give a report.

Unpaid Taxes - Sharon Curry Green thought that the taxes for previous years had been paid. She paid this year's installment. It is town policy to apply taxes to the oldest year. Mr. Harris was to call her on 6/27 to clarify the issue.

Discussion about Hazardous Waste and Universal Waste pickups was carried on. Mr. Jones had some information about an alternate way of handling our recycling. No action was taken.

Accessibility of Voting Place. A document to request extension of time for application was signed by Mr. Harris. No proposal has been made to substitute for Mr. Drew's previous proposal.

Contract for work on the School House with Bob Dunning was approved after clarification.

A letter was received from Mr. Mitchell requesting reduction in taxes. He is a year late in making this request, but had had an appraisal made. This would be sent to the Assessor (Dennis).

A phone contact from a Mrs. Connell about driveway flooding due to the Patriot's Day storm was received. She has been referred to FEMA.

Jane Gibbons gave Mr. Harris 3 vouchers of \$50. each from the Sweden Community Church which are to be given to people who apply for general assistance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Jane Gibbons, clerk