

Minutes Board of Selectpersons of Sweden, ME

December 8, 2009

Present were Warren Noble, John Clifford, Heather Hoover, Dana Nason, Jim Willey, Jean and Annette Bouchard, Bill Parmalee, Rob Drew, Jane Gibbons, DJ Curtis, John P. Smith, William Jones and Alberta Ridlon. The Pledge of Allegiance was said at 6:00 p.m. The warrant was discussed.

Roads - Several more quotes came in for ditching and for paving on Hardscrabble Road and Ridlonville Road. There was discussion of the number of culverts listed on one bid. D.J. reported that bond applications must be filed Feb 1 or Aug 1. Payment expected 10 weeks after approval.

Fire Department - Six individuals will be taking a course paid for by a grant. Mr Nobel reported that the Fire Association had purchased the fire truck that the selectmen had voted against purchasing the previous meeting. There was brief discussion relative to the fire department budget.

Finances - The Budget committee will be represented at the next selectmen's meeting. There was discussion relative to an article for bonding the road work. Jean Bouchard suggested that when road work is done that funds be carried over for future crack sealing.

Other -

Minutes - The minutes of the Dec 1 meeting were approved.

Mr Jones presented an addendum to the trash agreement with Lovell which was drafted by Lovell and MMWAC. The document specifies how certain surplus funds and liabilities would be divided, which normally would be calculated by the amount of trash taken to the facility. Lovell will receive Sweden's share of occasional surplus funds and liability will be calculated via historical trash tonnage. The document was signed by the 3 selectpersons.

Bill Parmalee requested a sign for Beaver Dam Road.

APPOINTMENT of Treasurer/Tax Collector and Municipal Agent for Motor Vehicles. Ms Ridlon asked if there was anyone interested in the positions. Mr Nason expressed an interest in the Treasurer/Tax collector position and gave a brief description of his qualifications. D.J. Curtis had also expressed an interest, and she was questioned relative to her availability for office hours. Ms Ridlon indicated that she had decided not to pursue this position at this time. Mr Smith motioned that the selectmen go into executive session. An objection was raised relative to whether this was a legitimate reason for executive session. Executive session approved 2-1. On coming out of executive session, D.J. Curtis was appointed to the Treasurer/Tax Collector position 3-0. After a brief discussion, Ms Curtis was sworn in. The Warrant was signed. A document was signed naming Jane Gibbons as the Municipal Agent for Motor Vehicles. It was decided to change the locks on the front door of the office, and the vault. Front door keys will be given to the selectmen, clerk, tax collector/treasurer, planning board chairman, fire chief and ema director. Vault keys will be for selectmen, clerk and tax collector/treasurer. 3-0

Memorial Service for Fran Flint will be Saturday at 11:00 AM at the meeting house. A pot luck dinner was also mentioned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08