

Town of Sweden
Selectmen's Meeting
June 26, 2012

Attendance: C. Wayne Miller, Lori Bennett, Kristin Venza, Alberta Ridlon, John Clifford, James Willey, Corin Meehan.

Wayne called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6PM and then called the meeting to order. Wayne made a motion to accept the minutes to June 12 meeting with a correction to a couple spelling errors (done). This was 2nd and passed.

Unscheduled citizens business: Linda Mercier from Waterford brought in an agreement for the Selectmen to sign giving the Pulpit Rock Trail Blazah's ATV Club permission to travel on designated public ways situated in the State of Maine, County of Oxford, and Town of Sweden. All Selectmen signed.

Glen Holmes from Western Maine Economic Development came to introduce himself and to let the Selectmen know he is available to help with any business developments the town has.

Finance – DJ: DJ could not be here tonight. She sent the current breakdown of the Fire Dept. OK. The audit has been completed. Lori brought up for discussion of looking into other accountants that do municipal audits due to the lateness of getting ours done.

Town Clerk – AR: Alberta had checked into the interest the town was earning on its' cemetery fund CD. It is now paying less than 1%. If we change it to a 5yr CD it will pay a higher rate of interest. The town does not use this for the cemetery care each year so the Selectmen agreed to this move.

Fire Department – Corin Meehan, Chief: He has done Fire and Life safety inspections at Camp Tapawingo, Camp Encore/Coda and at PieTree Orchard. This had not been done for a few years. PieTree called to invite the fire department to join them on July 22 for Maine Open Farm days and to cater the luncheon for their Maine Apple Growers Conference on July 19. The station has been cleaned and work on rehabbing the building will be done by volunteers at minimal cost. They are redoing the run assignments with Oxford County for automatic mutual aid response. The department will be districting for best possible results for automatic mutual aid. He is working on getting the records up to date and a system to keep them current. He has a grant for 2 dry hydrants from Maine Department of Conservation. It includes assemblies and installation material. Paul Field will donate labor and equipment go help with the repairs to the building. He is working on recruiting new members and has one and another will be on board soon. The Association is getting rid of Squad 1 truck due to mechanical problems. The Town of Edgecomb has replaced 2 of their trucks and is willing to donate one to us. It is a 1989 F-800 FMC Class A pumper with a 1000 gallon per minute pump, and a 1000 gal. water tank. This will double Sweden's fire attack and water delivery from an apparatus standpoint and help the department begin fire suppression effectively in a quicker manner. The Selectmen agreed to accept this donation but it will be owned by the Association.

Roads – John:Walt Heiss had contacted the town about some help with a culvert on the snowmobile trail. Lori is to contact Blaine Chapman who is president of the Bridgton club who

maintains that trail. The town had applied for FEMA for the washouts due to the rain event of June 2nd-4th. The state replied that there was not enough damage to declare it a disaster. So towns will not receive any money. John stated that we need new culverts on Kimball Road and Hardscrabble Rd near Sucker Brook Bridge.

New Business: Wayne made a motion that the town adopt General Assistance Ordinance Appendix (A) for July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013 as revised in April 2012, DHHS in compliance with Title 22 MRSA Section 305 (4) 06/23/12. This was 2nd by Lori, passed and signed. Wayne made motion to adjourn at 7:25 pm, 2nd by Kristin, voted and passed.

Respectfully

Alberta Ridlon