Town of Sweden Selectmen's Meeting April 23, 2013

Attendance: Lori Bennett, Kristin Venza, C. Wayne Miller, DJ Curtis, Alberta Ridlon, Richard & Kathleen Lyman.

Lori called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6 pm and then called the meeting to order.

Lori made a motion to accept the minutes of April 9, 2013 with two minor corrections. This was 2nd by Kristin, voted and passed. (Corrections Done, AR)

Officers and Committee reports:

<u>ACO-Jacqueline Frye</u>: Had to cancel training in Bangor. They will refund fee.

<u>Admin. Assistant-DJ Curtis</u>: passed out notebooks to each selectmen one on liens, paid and released, just to keep on top of this problem, and one on protocol and job descriptions as described by MMA. <u>Town Clerk-Alberta Ridlon</u>: Asked about changing from Hughes net to DSL through FairPoint Communications. Wayne made a motion to have the office make the change. Lori 2nd it. A vote was taken and passed 3-0.

Fire Chief-Corin Meehan:



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Calls: There was one request for service during the reporting period, a motor vehicle crash with injury. **Meetings and Trainings:** Our monthly training was held this past Thursday. We covered forestry tools and initial engine company operations.

Expenses: \$712.20 total. \$250.00- COFCA dues, \$200.00- Porta-Potty rental, \$90.00- payroll, \$70.25-Forestry truck maintenance, \$67.00- Respiratory/Medical clearances, \$34.95- PPE component **Comments:** We were excited to receive a letter stating that the previous grant rejection letter had been sent in error. We were in fact awarded the grant for protective clothing at the end of February. The grant award notification was delayed due to internal accounting procedures. This grant award is for the sum of \$40,000, and will enable us to equip our newer members, members with older gear, and now take on two members who have been waiting to join. Additionally, this will put some gear back into ready supply for reserve in case of damage or additional recruiting.

Also, I have taken a job here in town. This month has been extremely hectic as I transition into this new job, while also completing my monthly schedule in Sebago and SAD 61. Next month, I will be working in

town four days a week and my bosses graciously allow me to leave for calls. So, our daytime coverage will be somewhat improved.

Road Commissioner-John Clifford:

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Work done since last report:

Fern Drive and Smarts Hill Rd. were graded with a power rake. Pot holes were filled on Berry Rd. Road intersections on Tapawingo, Webber Pond, Plummer School Rd., Rt. 93, Town Office parking area and driveway, Hardscrabble Rd. and Town sand and salt shed were swept. Most road posted signs have been taken down.

Work to be done in the next month:

Work to be done as needed.

Expenses:

Steve Bennett Trucking, Inc. - \$535.00

Anticipated Expenses:

Bill from Steve Bennett Trucking, Inc. for sweeping intersections.

Comments or Issues:

Sand and salt shed tar area was a mess after last storm. Needs to be addressed with Bryan from Molloy Energy.

Wayne is to order a new sign for Tapawingo Road. It has disappeared.

Others as Necessary:

<u>Historical Society</u>: Dick and Kay Lyman from the Historical Society brought in a note and list of what was planned for Sweden and it's Bi-centennial. As soon as all is finalized it will be posted and also mailed to each individual in town.

Old Business:

Jason Wentworth has put up the new mailbox.

The new computer program, TRIO, has been ordered and we are on the list to get trained. DJ asked about payment because the contract asked for ½ payment on ordering. Lori was going to look into this. **New Business:**

DOT App & Info, The selectmen need to file the application to get on the list for consideration for repairing route 93 by Sislanes.

Lori and Julie McQueen are entering road information into the new road program that was purchased to keep all roads updated for repairs, etc.

A proposal was bought in for rules for renting the Town Hall. They did not realize there was one in place already.

Communications & Bills:

Letter from Hughes Network System LLC for the assessors.

Invoice from Southern Maine regional planning – paid.

Letter from Dick Lyman covered under reports/other.

Oxford County Officers Association Membership survey. Filled out, copied and mailed.

Letter from MMWAC to petition against land fill for Juniper Ridge in Old Town.

Lori made motion to sign, 2nd by Kristin, passed 3-0. Lori signed, copied and mailed.

Assignments for next meeting:

Kristin is to check on the town hall policy in place against the one proposed and bring in her suggestions. Alberta is to contact town of Stoneham about taking the General Assistance training being offered there, May 3, 2013 at 8:30 am.

Next meeting is May 14, 2013 at 6 pm.

Lori made motion to adjourn at 7:29 pm, 2nd by Kristin, voted 3-0.