

**Town of Sweden  
Selectmen's Meeting  
September 10, 2013**

**Attendance:** Lori Bennett, C. Wayne Miller, Kristin Venza, Diana J Curtis, Warren Noble, Eric Gulbrandsen, John Clifford, Brian Molloy and Jim Willey.

Lori called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 pm and then called the meeting to order.

Wayne Miller made a motion to accept the minutes of August 27, 2013. Lori Bennett 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion; it was passed 3-0.

Lori discussed the White Brothers paving bill and they said they paved further, they were going to. She also said they were going to try to get over to Sweden this weekend about the issues with the road.

Kristin asked what the issue was. Lori said they actually paved more than what the original quote was for. They also paved wider than quoted. Wayne suggested the town hold the payment until the issues are resolved. Kristin said she doesn't think the town should pay the extra when we didn't tell him to do it.

**Report of officers and committees:**

**Animal Control Officer- Jacqueline Frye:**

No report

**CEO- Eric Gulbrandsen:**

Eric Gulbrandsen briefly discussed the recent activity of timber harvesting and other misc items. Timber harvesting is happening and approved but Eric will be visiting the site to look at the new road opening.

Eric discussed the recent emails from Mr. Tynan with the Selectmen regarding work in the cemetery.

**Admin. Assistant – Diana Curtis:**

Diana Curtis distributed to the Selectmen year end projections for Town Charges, Summer Road Maintenance and Winter Roads.

**Clerk – Alberta Ridlon:**

No report, Lori read a few notes from Alberta

**SVFD - Corin Meehan:**

No report

**Road Commissioner – John Clifford:**

John Clifford reported that they have patched a few holes and graded Trull Brook Road. He also reported that culverts for Wint Road have been delivered. Lori mentioned Plummer School Road has had pot holes fixed.

John met with Kyle Warren about roadside mowing and was quoted \$33,000.00. Lori said she would contact Dick Eastman for a quote.

John asked if the door to the salt shed was fixed, Wayne said it was in progress.

**Old Business:**

Warren Noble, asked if the Board would allow the Vice President of the Fire Department Association to have a key to the town hall. Wayne said he was not opposed to letting the Vice President have a key. Kristen agreed with Wayne, but asked Warren to ask fire department people to see who has keys already.

Wayne made a motion to allow the Vice President of the Fire Department to have a key, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lori and approved (3-0)

Brian Molloy quoted \$3700 per mile for sanding, plowing and putting sand in. Wayne asked what the increase would be, Brian said about \$13,000 increase. It will take extra time to load the trucks inside the building and will cost about \$10,000 more. Brian also said they have to load sand more often because they can't load the building as high as they used to. This would be a revision to the existing Winter Road Contract, changing the road rate from \$2900 to \$3700, but would be all inclusive. The new rate would include all snow plowing, sanding and loading sand. Lori asked Brian to return at the next meeting on September 24, 2013 to further discuss the contract.

**New Business:**

Jim Willey informed the Selectmen that he will be assisting John Clifford with the Road Commissioner Position.

Kristen said we need a policy about carrying a gun on the town property. Jim will let the selectmen know which other towns have a similar policy.

**Communications:****Mail:**

MMA letter regarding Annual Meeting

MMA letter regarding MMA proposed By-law Amendments

State of Maine Preliminary 2014 State Valuation

MMA LD1 2013 Municipal Property Tax Levy Limit Survey

Next meeting will be September 24, 2013 at 6:00 pm.

Lori made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Kristin 2<sup>nd</sup> it, passed 3-0.

Respectfully

Diana J. Curtis  
Adm. Asst. to Board of Selectmen