

Town of Sweden
Selectmen's Meeting
February 11, 2014

Attendance: Lori Bennett, C. Wayne Miller, Kristin Venza, DJ Curtis, Eric Gulbrandsen and Jim Willey.

Lori Bennett called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:07 pm and then called the meeting to order.

Wayne Miller made a motion to accept the minutes of January 14, 2014 with corrections. Lori 2nd the motion; it was passed 3-0.

Report of officers and committees:

Animal Control Officer- Jacqueline Frye:

No report

CEO- Eric Gulbrandsen:

Eric Gulbrandsen gave his monthly report. One single family building permit issued last month. The proposed dock was discussed.

Admin. Assistant – Diana Curtis:

DJ Curtis was asked to contact Kathi Shorey for assistance completing the Annual Health Officer report to the state.

DJ was given the signed Maine Surplus form for faxing.

DJ reviewed the final articles requiring votes on the Annual Town Warrant.

The Selectmen voted to make minor changes to wording of articles.

Wayne made a motion to accept verbiage change in the annual warrant, changing "To see what sum the town will raise and/or appropriate" to "To see what sum the town will raise *or* appropriate". The motion was 2nd by Kristin Venza and passed 3-0.

The selectmen voted on Article 7 to raise \$52,400.00 for Town Charges, Article 26 to take \$500 from surplus for the stone reimbursement for Ron Kiesman and Article 30 to take \$150.00 from the Snowmobile account.

DJ discussed the Annual Town Report with the Selectmen. She was asked to contact Richard Lyman for possible photos for cover and to ask for a brief write up on last year's Bicentennial celebration events.

DJ was given a letter from a resident regarding wheelchair accessibility to the Town Hall and asked to respond.

DJ was given a copy of an email from Secretary of State, Division of Elections and asked to follow up on regarding state reimbursement.

DJ was given the 2013 Local Government Finance Survey for completion.

The Selectmen asked DJ to write a draft policy regarding yearend financial statements and requests made by miscellaneous agencies for the cutoff date required.

Clerk – Alberta Ridlon:

Lori discussed a note left by Alberta Ridlon regarding problems with the toilet at the Town Hall. The heat was turned down too far, Jim Willey explained. He mentioned the risk of damage to pipes at such low heat. He turned it up to 55 degrees and should be fine now.

SVFD - Corin Meehan:

No report.

Road Commissioner – John Clifford:

Lori reported that hopefully next week some pot holes will be filled with stone dust. Lori made a 2014 Road Project list and reviewed items with the other selectpersons.

Lori mentioned signs for roads needing to be purchased, specifically a sign for Hardscrabble Road for the sharp corner by Sweden Trading Post.

Old Business:

Lori mentioned she has a bill from Tim Kelly for sanding. It was requested by the fire department because Molloy didn't sand when needed. Wayne said we should put the bill through for payment.

Wayne made a motion to pay Tim Kelly \$300 for the sanding bill; motion was 2nd by Lori and approved 3-0.

New business:

Selectmen discussed the cover photo for Annual Town Report.

It was mentioned that Lake Living had some old pictures of Sweden and that Dick Lyman should have them.

Selectmen discussed updating ramp on town hall for wheelchair accessibility. They will get quotes this summer on the work needing to be done.

Selectmen discussed problems with snow plowing the town mail box.

Communications:

Mail:

Letter from Peter Hastings with a check for \$500 for tax payment from resident on delinquent account was received and given to Sarah for processing.

Next meeting will be February 25, 2014 at 6:00 pm.

Lori made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm. Wayne 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Respectfully,

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