Town of Sweden Selectmen's Meeting April 25, 2017

Attendance: Lori Bennett, Wayne Miller, Tim Cook, Kim Ashley and DJ Curtis.

Lori called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:11 pm and then called the meeting to order.

Lori made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of April 11, 2017 with corrections. Motion was 2nd by Wayne and approved 2-0.

Visitors:

None

Report of officers and committees:

Animal Control Officer- Jacqueline Frye:

No report

CEO- Larry Lyle:

No report

Clerk - Alberta Ridlon:

Alberta has left the following items for the Selectmen;

A note requesting a separate phone line for the fax machine.

Wayne made a motion to get a dedicated phone line for the fax. 2nd by Lori and approved 2-0.

Appointments for Wardens for Referendum election on June 14, 2017. They were signed by the Selectmen.

Alberta left a note for the Selectmen requesting the Road Commissioner clear the dirt and brush off the sides of Sucker Brook Bridge. Wayne said he did broom off the dirt, but 2 weeks later it was back again. Lori said she would respond to Alberta.

Appointments for Kim Ashley as Deputy Registrar of Voters and Diana Curtis as Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen were signed by the Selectmen.

Treasurer – Kim Ashley

Kim spoke about Blaine Chapman's proposal for the 2017 season for mowing.

Kim said the Tax rate calculation form had been requested by Scott Cole, Oxford County Administrator.

Kim said that Jim Lawrence called from the Wild Haven Association. He called about the Wayne Clay partial that the town owns. He wanted to find out what we knew about the property. He was looking to collect Association dues from the landowner. But the town now owns it. Kim told them that they could come to tonight's meeting if they wanted to discuss.

SVFD - Tim Cook

Tim said he went to a seminar regarding Globe Turn out gear training for gear testing training.

Tim told the Selectmen that the current budget for protective equipment is \$900, and that this will be increased starting next year for 2 sets of gear a year. For 3 years, the equipment must be tested annually he told the Selectmen. Anything that is for interior use must be taken out of use in 10 years, Tim also said.

Also, Tim said they were preparing for potential grass fires as the season is coming up.

Lori asked Tim about the payroll sheet. Wayne said several folks are going to training calls but not going to fire calls. Wayne said it not fair to the taxpayers that people are being paid to go to the training but not contributing to the cause of fighting fires. Tim said he would look into it and let the Selectmen know.

Road Commissioner – Stephen Bennett:

Lori reported that Stephen is working on getting a sweeper to sweep the intersections.

Lori said Stephen moved the excavator to Marr Road and will start working there on wash outs and pot holes. She also said pot holes will be worked on other roads also. She said crushed gravel needed to be put on Plummer School Road to fix that area.

Wayne asked what we were going to do about the driveway in front of the Town Office. The logger's trucks crushed it and didn't give us any prior notice that they were coming. Lori asked if he wanted them to fix it now or wait to see if it gets worse. Wayne said it should be fixed before it gets worse. Lori said she will call Travis Khiel and see what they wanted to do about the damage.

Admin. Assistant – Diana Curtis (DJ)

DJ distributed to the Selectmen the current Profit & Loss report.

Old Business

Wayne said regarding the Equipment Shed, he was wondering if it is worth keeping the power on there as it is not being used. Lori said she thinks it's a \$35 reconnect fee, so maybe it would be worth turning off. She also said signs and stakes could be stored there if there were proper lockable doors, if it wasn't going to be used. Lori said she would call Troy to see if he would be using it.

New Business

Communications/Mail Received:

Bill from attorney for BA/McQueen issue Due date reminder of 4/27 for 2017 census survey of payroll.

Next meeting will be May 9, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Lori made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 pm. Wayne 2nd the motion and it was passed 2-0.

Respectfully

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