St. Agatha Board of Selectmen Meeting Held Monday, September 13, 2010 at 6:30pm at the St. Agatha Town Office

MINUTES

Present:

Beurmond Banville, Dale Chamberland, Dan Bechard & Christy Sirois

Chairman Bechard called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:pm.

Minutes

August 9, 2010 – Corrections made and motioned by Mr. Banville and seconded by Mr. Chamberland to approve the minutes as corrected. All Approved.

Financial Reports

Period ending August 31, 2010 – general ledger; revenue & expense summary report

Period ending July 30, 2010 - investment report

Motioned by Mr. Banville and seconded by Mr. Chamberland to approve the financial reports as presented. All approved.

New Rec Director

Jamie Daigle gave her notice 2 weeks ago. Leaving due to last year of school and no enough time to dedicate to the rec program because of sports and studies. There was discussion about the program was mostly volunteer and now has been put mostly on the shoulder's of the Rec Director. The Board would like to see the Rec Director choose events and then get committees or groups of parents together to then plan that event. The Rec Director position is only a part time position with limited hours. The Board agreed that the position should be posted until a suitable candidate is found.

Basement Water at Mr. Corey's

Mr. Bob Corey is alleging that ground water is infiltrating his basement during the spring meltdown season as a result of construction on his property during the installation of the sewer system on Pelletier Island. After a review of the facts and findings of Mr Bechard & Ms. Sirois the Board decided that this problem was not one cause by the work the town did. Ms. Sirois will draft a letter to Mr. Corey explaining our findings and position. Mr. Banville motioned and Mr. Chamberland seconded that the basement water issue Mr. Corey is having is not the Town's responsibility. All approved.

SummerFest Committee Request

The SummerFest Committee is requesting \$5,873.17 from the Town to pay the remaining bills from SummerFest. A financial statement was presented to the board. The Sunday night banquet is where the deficit came from. The Committee was expecting 450 – 500 attendees and only 149 tickets where sold. The date of the banquet and advertisement of the banquet will be looked into for the next SummerFest.

Mr. Banville motioned and Mr. Chamberland seconded the Treasurer removing \$5,873.17 from the Festival Reserve and giving payment to the SummerFest Committee. All approved.

Tax Abatement

A request by Mrs. Jennifer Pelletier was made to abate \$5,500 in value off of her real estate tax bill. This value represents the value of her camper which is on the Lot. The reason for the request is because she has already paid excise tax on the camper with the Town of Madawaska. A copy of her registration was received. The Town can not tax the camper as a tax was already paid. Mr. Banville motioned to approve the abatement and Mr. Chamberland seconded. All approved. Ms. Sirois noted that the office will make a list of campers in the town and before tax bills are done they will check if the excise tax has been paid before taxing it through real estate to prevent this problem.

Pelletier Island

Ms. Sirois updated the Board on the search for owner ship of the private road from Beaulieu road to the causeway. She was able to locate the deed at the Registry where the property was given to Edwin Pelletier. Mr. Bechard mentioned that the Pelletier's believe the ownership was given over to the Island Association. Ms. Sirois will look into it. The Board wants the Island Association made aware of possible issues in their attempt to have the Island Road become a Town Road. Ms. Sirois will draft a letter to the association indicating these issues.

Groomer Purchase

Ms. Sirois reminded the Board there is a Special Town Meeting tomorrow (Sept 14, 2010) for the approval to purchase a groomer to be used by the snowmobile club. Ms. Sirois will complete the loan paperwork, including signing the documents with Norstate after the approval from Town Meeting. The Board were all in agreement.

Next Meeting

The next Board meeting was moved to October 4 at 6:30pm due to the MMA convention on October 11 & 12. The Board will also meet with the Auditor at that time as well.

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:24pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christy Sirois, Town Manager

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 4th day of October, 2010.