Town of Stratton Selectmen's Meeting December 13, 2021

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell - Chair, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson; Treasurer – Alyson Peterson and Kent Young – Clerk.

Al Dupell called the meeting to order at 7:30pm at the Stratton Town Office. Orders were reviewed and signed.

Modifications to the Agenda: The Clerk asked to add discussion on the 2022 Town Meeting Warning. The Selectmen concurred.

Budget Meeting: Treasurer, Alyson Peterson was present to commence the budget work session for the 2022/3 fiscal year. Highlights of the work session were as follows: Discussion of adding supplemental HVAC to the Town Office; Security Systems upgrades required for applicable Town buildings; increased Town Clerk funding for processing land records to go online; a potential paving project for next summer; creation of a guard rail reserve fund; replacing the loader; bidding out propane; repairs and security cameras for the Recreation Area. Chris Liller also asked to correct a previous budget amount for the blower attachment for the excavator – said attachment will cost \$16,398.00 and the Town will get a grant for it for \$5600.00. The Selectmen concurred with this change.

Road Crew Issues: Flooding Event of July 29, 2021: Chris Liller stated that the guard rails have been installed. He and the Treasurer are now working with FEMA for reimbursements.

Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve the Selectmen's Minutes and Liquor Control Board Minutes of November 22, 2021. Kevin Robinson seconded. All concurred and the minutes were approved.

Town Meeting 2022: The Clerk asked if the Board wishes to add an appropriations request for the Aids Project of Southern Vermont for \$400.00 to the Appropriations Article, as requested by said organization. Larry Bills so moved. Kevin Robinson seconded – all concurred. He also asked if the Selectmen would like to include an article allowing for retail sales, etc. for cannabis. Last year the board had agreed to postpone consideration of this issue to 2022, as the new State law does not take effect until the summer of 2022. General consensus was to add it to the 2022 Town Meeting Warning. The Clerk will do so. He will also add the previously requested creation of a Guard Rail Reserve Fund article to the warning.

Adjourn: Larry Bills motioned to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.. Greg Marcucci seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by: David Kent Young