

Town of Stratton
Selectman's Meeting
June 9, 2025

Present: Selectman: Chair – Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci, and Boomer Walker; Clerk, Kent Young; and Steve Petrik of SoVTA.

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

Modifications: No modifications were made.

Town Forest and Rec. Area: Steve Petrik was present to discuss progress on trails and trail-related grants. Trails within the Town Forest are now open for summer use. Rec Area trails suffered damage from the recent rains, so currently, he is working on them. Mr. Petrik stated that the land / water conservation grant he had applied for was denied. He intends to resubmit said application for 2026. He also intends to complete the Act 250 amended application, which will require an updated total cost for the Rec Area improvements intended, which includes the Pavilion and a new Kiosk. He would like to submit said application in the Fall. The Clerk stated that, per the Town Attorney, no site visit has yet been made by the Nature Conservancy. Following the discussion, Steve Petrik left the meeting.

Tarbell Property / National Forest Dispute: The Clerk stated that the Town Attorney has been in contact with Mr. Tarbell's attorney and no action by the Town is needed at this time.

Road Crew Issues: Speed Bumps in the Resort: The Clerk stated that Resort management intend to attend the June 23, 2025 meeting to discuss this option further. **Paving / Culverts:** The Culvert replacement project on Brazers Way has been completed. Paving will likely be delayed to later in the summer due to weather and other factors. The Foreman indicated that he intends to immediately replace the failed culvert at 227 W. Jamaica Rd. as soon as the new 4-ft. culvert is delivered. He is working with Josh Carvajal the VT ANR River Management Engineer to meet state requirements for this project. That section of W. Jamaica Rd. will need to be closed briefly during installation. Traffic will be detoured to Canedy / Newell Hill Rd. at that time. An additional project is the installation of a membrane on Canedy Rd. bridge, which includes paving over the bridge to the W. Jamaica Rd. intersection. The road will need to be closed briefly for this project. **Truck Replacement:** The Selectmen agreed that the Town will trade in the old truck instead of selling it outright. **Meetinghouse Maintenance:** Chris Liller stated that the meetinghouse stonework has been completed, while stonework on the old schoolhouse is underway. The project will likely be completed this week.

Town Hall Rentals: Larry Bills moved to reserve the Town Hall on July 31 and August 1 for pie preparations for the Grace Cottage Hospital Fair. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Town Party: The Board requested that Steve Fletcher attend the next meeting to discuss preparations for this July 19 event.

Minutes: Larry Bills motioned to approve the Selectman's minutes of May 12 and May 19, 2025. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Adjourn: Larry Bills motioned to adjourn at 8:10 pm. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young

David Kent Young, Clerk