

**Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
September 26, 2022**

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell, chair, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Boomer Walker; Kent Young – Clerk; Steve Petrik of SoVTA and Laura Sibilias candidate for District Representative (arrived 7:50pm).

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

Modifications – Boomer Walker moved to include consideration of Snowmobile Road usage for the upcoming winter. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred.

Road Crew Issues: Snowmobile Road usage: The Selectmen agreed to allow said usage as follows – 1) Stratton-Arlington Rd. from Grout Pond Rd. to the Sunderland town line, 2) Grout Pond Rd., 3) Canedy Rd., 4) Ball Farm Rd., 5) Old Town Rd. and 6) Shepardson Rd.. Chris Liller so moved. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. **FEMA Grants:** Submittal of required documentation for the July 29, 2021 storm damage seems to meet FEMA's requirements and the Foreman expects these funds to arrive soon. He also wished to thank Alyson Peterson, the treasurer, for all the hard work she did to ensure the submittal was successful. **FLAP Grant:** Chris Liller presented a letter for the Selectmen's support for the Federal Lands Access Program Project Grant Application for Grout Pond Rd.. WRC is working with the Town and the State toward acquiring this grant for upgrades to said road. All members present signed the document. **Stratton Mountain Access Road:** The Foreman said that paving is complete there and that Stratton Corp. is working toward acquiring an upgrade of a culvert across said road. The Foreman has discussed this issue with resort personnel and explained that the Town should be leading this effort. Additional work in the vicinity of said culvert is required to ensure that it provides sufficient drainage for that area. **Forrester Rd.:** Blasting and culvert replacement will occur this week. **Salt:** American Rock Salt quoted \$88.50 / ton and Appalachia Salt quoted \$93.40 / ton. Boomer Walker moved to accept the bid of Appalachia Salt. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred.

Town Forest Trail Project: Steve Petrik attended and gave an update on trail progress. In regard to the parking lot, at this stage, the board agreed to have only the length of the right-of-way up to the entry into the parking are cleared so that no one will attempt to drive beyond that point. The lot will be placed, as previously noted, off of the right-of-way and on Town Forest land. Mr. Petrik request that the board allow usage of the Town Forest for an event – the SCI challenge – this year. Boomer Walker so moved. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred. Following the discussion, Mr. Petrik left the meeting.

District Representation: Laura Sibilias was present to discuss her bid for election to Representative District - Windham 2 (Stratton, Dover, Wardsboro, Jamaica and Somerset). Ms. Sibilias currently is the representative for the preexisting district that includes some of these towns, but does not include Stratton. She introduced herself to the board and discussed her local political agendas and asked questions about issues that seemed to most concern Stratton voters. The discussion mostly concentrated on education taxes, but also highlighted roads and state permitting issues. Ms. Sibilias requested use of the Town Hall for October 22 to meet with all Stratton citizens interested in attending. Following her presentation, Laura Sibilias left the meeting.

Town Hall usage: Chris Liller moved to approve: 1) November 8 – 13 for the Wardsboro Fire Dept.'s Turkey Supper fundraiser with the town supplying the paper products for the dinner. 2) Laura Sibilias's request for October 22. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Minutes: Boomer Walker moved to approve the Selectmen's minutes of September 12, 2022. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred.

Adjourn: Boomer Walker moved to adjourn at 9:10pm. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by: *David Kent Young*