

# Town of Stratton Selectmen's Meeting

October 22, 2012

**Members present:** Selectmen – Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson; Road Foreman – Ralph Staib, Clerk – Kent Young.

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

**Salt / Sand Shed:** All Seasons Construction reportedly will have some estimates ready for the meeting of November 12, 2012.

**Transfer Station:** The Clerk stated that a representative from WSWMD will attend the November 12 meeting to discuss recycling at Stratton – a decision on the Casella contract is being delayed until after that meeting. Ralph Staib reported that Evergreen Recycling is charging only \$25.00 per month for the metal container, which is half of what Casella will charge. The Selectmen will likely delete metal removal from the Casella contract before approving it. Countryside Lock and Alarm has coordinated with the Road Foreman concerning placement of the camera – it will be put on the cold-storage building. Chris Liller stated that the new transfer station gate will be completed soon and he will get it keyed to match the other gate. The Clerk presented monthly hauled tonnage / container types for the last three years. A pattern of property manager usage is not clear. Roger Schultz currently is tracking the number of times each type of refuse container is filled and removed over the course of the next several months. These numbers are needed to negotiate with Stratton Corp. to have all resort refuse processed at the resort, which will allow the town to use one compactor for single-stream recycling. A decision on this issue will be made in the spring. The slab has been poured for the construction dumpster. The Road Crew will grade the area before the recycling containers are moved back to their original positions.

**Town Garage Project:** Thermal imaging of the insulation has been performed, indicating that the insulation has sufficiently dried. Quinn Co. has agreed to re-tape some of the insulation, where tape has come loose. The Selectmen will release the remaining funds for the Town Garage, once the septic system has been repaired to stop ground water leaching into the tank. Chris Liller had discussed this with Quinn Co.. Ralph Staib presented bids for repair / replacement of the roof on the cold storage building: Gloeckner Const. bid \$10,000.00 to replace or \$5000.00 to repair; VSM Const. bid \$26,500.00 to replace it; Jason Toby bid \$15,993.20 to replace it. Greg Marcucci moved to accept the bid of Gloeckner Const.. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred. The Selectmen decided to wait until next year to pave the apron around the Town Garage, at the same time that the floor of the proposed Salt / Sand Shed will be paved. Ralph Staib reported that the cover over the underground storage tank is nearly complete.

**Road Crew projects:** Ralph Staib priced tires for the grader at Pete's Tire Co.: standard tires are \$1250.00 each and radials are \$1496.00 each. He stated that the radials should last two to three times longer than the standard tires. The Selectmen agreed to have the Road Foreman replace the tires on the grader with new radial tires at \$1496.00 each.

**Penny Ave Bridge Project:** The bridge has been completed. When Pike Hollow Rd. paving is performed this week, the Road Foreman will have Pike Industries pave over the bridge to the access on the opposite side.

**Mountain Rd. / Kidder Brook culvert replacement:** Kent Young stated that, as requested, Jessica Rizzio of Beck Engineering withdrew the appeal which Stratton had submitted to FEMA on their initial PW for this project. FEMA has agreed to rework the PW once the appeal has been withdrawn.

**Stratton Mountain Access Rd. Treetop repair:** Ralph Staib reported that no significant amount of water collected in the retention pond even after the heavy rain last week; therefore, at this point, the dye would not be effective. A draft letter requesting permission from the owner to allow the town to test the

pond was sent to the Treetop Home Owners Assoc. last week. No response has yet been received – this effort is being coordinated by Beck Engineering.

**Tax Sale:** The Selectmen reviewed a request from the Delinquent Tax Collector to proceed with a tax sale of the property of Robert F. Baldwin and Cathy McDonald, which has been delinquent and remains unpaid since 2010. 2010 and 2011 back taxes with interest and penalty on the property are currently \$24,703.58. Greg Marcucci so moved. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred.

**Holiday Party / Town Hall Use:** Greg Marcucci moved to have the Town Holiday party at the Town Hall on Saturday, December 8, 2012. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred. The Selectmen also agreed to allow the Wardsboro Snowmobile Club to use the Town Hall on Nov 17, Dec 15, Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 16 and Apr 20.

**Deputy Forest Fire Warden:** With the death of Bob Mesick, who had held this position, the Selectmen appointed Kevin Robinson to the vacancy.

**Stratton Mountain School Signage:** The Selectmen reviewed a request from SMS to temporarily place advertisement signage for their annual ski and snowboard sale, which will occur on Nov 23 and 24, 2012, on town property, at the Strat-Arl Rd. and W. Jamaica Rd. intersection. This will be a 4' x 4' sign placed there immediately prior to, and during the sale dates. The Selectmen concurred.

**Minutes:** Greg Marcucci moved to approve minutes of October 8, 2012. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

**Town Hall / Office painting:** The Selectmen received a bill for the painting of the town buildings, recently completed. No order had been drawn up, since it was submitted while the treasurer was away. Chris Liller moved to approve the payment of \$4250.00. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred.

**Adjourn:** Greg Marcucci motioned to adjourn at 9:00p.m.. Kevin Robinson seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

*David Kent Young*