

Town of Stratton Selectmen's Meeting

May 14, 2012

Members present: Selectmen – Al Dupell, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci, and Kevin Robinson; Road Foreman – Ralph Staib; Clerk – Kent Young; Engineer – Matthew Beck

Al Dupell called the meeting to order. Orders were reviewed and signed.

Kidder Brook Bridge Replacement: Road Foreman, Ralph Staib had hired Matthew Beck of Beck Engineer for work on this bridge project. Mr. Beck presented contracts between his company and the Town to engineer this structure, manage the bid process for this structure and to inspect the work as it progressed. He established various hourly rates and estimated that this will cost approximately \$35,000.00. The Selectmen reviewed the contracts, including a contract to monitor / inspect the **Penny Ave. Bridge project**, estimated at approximately \$10,000.00. Chris Liller moved to accept the contracts. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. Al Dupell signed each of these contracts. Kent Young asked Mr. Beck to inform him as soon as the project is ready to be bid out. At this time, Matthew Beck left the meeting.

Penny Ave Bridge Project: The design engineers for this project, McFarland Johnson, completed a Specifications package for the bid process. The Clerk notified all interested bidders that this package has been posted on the Town website and that bids will be accepted on May 21, 2012 at 7:30p.m. A representative from McFarland Johnson has agreed to attend the meeting.

FEMA Projects: Nearly all the completed and small projects associated with Tropical Storm Irene have been submitted to FEMA. A FEMA representative will come to the office tomorrow, May 15, 2012 to develop the last packages necessary for completion. FEMA intends to move their representatives out of the area by the end of May. The Clerk reported that the Town has received over \$140,000.00 for those packages already submitted.

Yearly Bids: Yearly bids will be consider next week, at the May 21 meeting, following bids for the Penny Ave. Bridge project.

Town Garage: Chris Liller said that the septic system is still not working correctly – water is leaking into the tank. Risers need to be installed and the tank checked for possible additional leakage. He will notify Quinn Co.. Also it was noted that the humidistat system runs continuously when there is high humidity outside. The Selectmen agreed that there needs to be an interlock to prevent this issue.

Road Crew Business: Pike Hollow Rd.: Ralph Staib said that he is making preparations for paving Pike Hollow Rd. They will begin prep work at the intersection of that road and Strat-Arl Rd. to cut down the bank there. **Powers Subdivision:** He said that Ross Powers is requesting that a culvert on County Rd. be reworked to minimize the drainage onto one of his lots within his new subdivision. The Selectmen noted that the culvert has been there a long time and is in good condition. Al Dupell said that the Selectmen would be willing to consider changes to that configuration, but it would have to be at Mr. Power's expense.

Stratton Mountain Access Rd. Paving: Al Dupell has not spoken with Stratton Corp. personnel about the Corp. reimbursing the Town for that work. Chris Liller recommended that arrangements be made for Sky Foulkes and Bill Nupp to attend a Selectmen's meeting to discuss this issue.

Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve the minutes of April 23, 2012. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred.

NIMS Adoption Document: The Selectmen reviewed and approved the adoption of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) for use in the Town of Stratton. Al Dupell, as Select Board Chairman signed the document. The Clerk has begun the paperwork and reports required for this system. Chris Liller will organize training seminars. He also recommended that we pursue having the Red Cross designated as our Emergency Shelter Coordinator.

Dog Report: The Selectmen reviewed and accepted the Town Clerk's annual Dog Report. The Clerk will forward the report to the Animal Control Officer.

Town Hall: The Selectmen approved requests for the Lillers to use the Town Hall on June 10, and the Tuttle to use it on September 22. Doug Lawrence had asked the Clerk if he could borrow some tables for an event on June 16. The Selectmen asked that he attend a meeting to discuss this issue further.

Painting Projects: The Selectmen agreed to bid out painting projects for the Town Hall and Town Office trim work, as well as the Meeting House steeple. Al Dupell asked Chris Liller to install the new interior doors at the Town Hall and refinish the vertical surfaces in front of the stage.

Reapportionment: The Governor has signed the final reapportionment bill for the next ten year period, which kept Stratton within the same district as the previous period. The Town Attorney withdrew the lawsuit once the bill was signed, since the Town is satisfied with this latest bill.

Brown Camp: The Town Attorney has sent a letter to the estate of Herbert Brown requesting the status of the estate and informing them that the Town will also accept a resolution whereby the property is transferred to a neighbor who will alleviate the violation on the property. Rona Hicks relayed to the board via the Clerk that the violation should be removed as soon as possible. The Selectmen agreed to wait for a response from the executors.

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

Minutes by:

David Kent Young