

Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
February 13, 2012

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

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

Road Crew Issues: Ongoing Hurricane Irene recovery: FEMA: 1) The Road Foreman and the Clerk continue to work with FEMA and Witt, Assoc. preparing project packages. 2) The Clerk said that FEMA had lowered the proposed cost of the Penny Ave. Bridge replacement to approx.. 570,000.00. They agreed that it can now be bid out. The Clerk is working with VTrans personnel to get bids. The Selectmen agreed to consider bids on March 12. 3) Ralph Staib said he had not heard back from VTrans concerning an additional hydraulics study for Kidder Brook. 4) The Foreman has been in touch with personnel working on the Fed Aid roads. They have reconsidered and should fund additional work on the Stratton-Arlington Rd. damaged during Tropical Storm Irene.

Town Garage: 1) The questions concerning the heating system remain unresolved. Meetings were held and recommendations were made by Quinn Co. and the Mechanical Engineer, but some of the Selectmen felt that the recommendations do not seem to provide for the system to work as it is meant to operate. There is also a major condensation problem existing in the garage. The Architect stated that the insulation was not installed per specifications and should be fixed to help prevent the condensation problem. It also may be necessary to install an additional air exchanger to help reduce humidity levels. Additional problems exist as well, such as a potential leak into the septic system. Chris Liller agreed to arrange for Mark McManus to attend a Selectmen's meeting in the near future to discuss these issues. Again, these issues will need to be resolved before any of the \$8000.00 currently held back, will be released. A separate issue is that Countryside Lock and Alarm has not yet installed the cameras and security system. 2) Ralph Staib reported that the Fire Truck had been moved off the site. 3) Ralph Staib reported that there had been a water leak into the fuel tank last week, which had to be drained. Stuart's truck was also affected by the water. 4) Al Dupell agreed to obtain more information on a new salt/sand shed.

Minutes: Chris Liller moved to approve the minutes of January 23, 2012. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

Brown Camp: The Clerk reported that the Town Attorney had been in touch with Mr. Brown concerning the violation on his property and it seems he has agreed to deed the property over to the Town. The attorney will keep the Town informed.

Town Hall: The Selectmen agreed to allow the Wardsboro Snowmobile Club to use the Town Hall on February 18, 2012 and Connie Montemagni was approved to use the Town Hall on May 5, 2012.

Adjourn: Chris Liller motioned to adjourn at 8:30p.m.. Kevin Robinson seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young