Town of Stratton Selectmen's Meeting September 8, 2014

Members present: Selectmen – Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson; and Clerk - Kent Young.

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

Personnel Issues: The Selectmen considered the resignation of Laura Hawksley as Treasurer and Trustee of Public Funds. Greg Marcucci moved to accept the resignation. Larry Bills seconded. All concurred. The Selectmen reviewed a letter of interest for this position from Candie Bernard, who is currently the assistant Treasurer, and also resident Stacie Chiodi submitted her resume. Following review and discussion, Greg Marcucci moved to appoint Candie Bernard as Treasurer and Trustee of Public Funds until the next Town Meeting is held. Larry Bills seconded. All concurred. Kent Young explained the steps necessary to remove Laura Hawksley from the Town's insurance to COBRA and produced a letter that explains the procedure, which is required to be sent to Ms. Hawksley. The Selectmen reviewed the letter and the Chair signed it. The Selectmen also reviewed and approved the final payment to close out Ms. Hawksley's "personal time account." The Clerk stated that the position has been posted as required and will remain posted until town meeting.

Kidder Brook culvert replacement: The road crew reported that the Kidder Brook project and the work on the smaller culverts on Mountain Rd. have been completed with exception of paving. Beck Engineering had submitted a letter to the Selectmen stating that the culvert had been installed to their satisfaction. Chris Liller reported that O'Brian Paving will be paving over the Kidder Brook culvert beginning tomorrow, and will work on the smaller culverts, using excess from other jobs they are doing over the next few weeks which will effectively be cheaper for the town. The Selectmen discussed billing for the ongoing projects and agreed to send a letter to White Mountain (MICHIE) requesting reimbursement for lost time (see minutes of August 25, 2014). The Chair signed the letter. Payment will be withheld temporarily. They also discussed payment of an extra expense for removing hot mix previously in the fill at this project. Ralph Staib had told Weaver Excavating to perform this task as an extra. The Selectmen agreed to pay it.

Town Garage: Roof Repair: Chris Liller reported that the repairs have not yet started. **Heating**: Chris Liller said that there is still an issue of excess heat in the garage. Greg Marcucci believed it is due to the circulation system running through the primary loop, whenever the outside temperature sensor detects low temps on cool nights. The Selectmen agreed that it may be best to shut off the system during the summer months. Chris Liller also suggested installing ceiling fans. **Security System**: Countryside Lock and Alarm will come to finish this project on September 15.

Road Crew Issues: **Painting**: Ron Chiodi left a request for the Selectmen to choose a color for the Cold Storage Building from the Cabot Stain color chart. The Selectmen agreed on "Indian Corn." Ron Chiodi had said he would like to start on the building as soon as possible. **UST**: The pressure test of the Underground Storage Tank passed; however, there is a leak somewhere on the pump suction line. This is scheduled to be repaired on September 10. **Access Rd. Paving**: Fuller Sand and Gravel will begin paving the Stratton Mountain Access Rd. this week.

Meeting Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve the minutes of August 25, 2014. Kevin Robinson seconded – all concurred.

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

Minutes by: David Kent Young

Town Clerk