

**Town of Stratton
Selectman's Meeting
November 24, 2025**

Present: Selectman: Chair – Al Dupell, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Boomer Walker; Clerk, Kent Young; members of the Stump Jumper Snowmobile Club – Mat Nicklis, Lenny Howe, Barb Trudeau and property owners – Gary Montemagni and Nick Adams.

7:30 pm: Al Dupell called the meeting to order. Orders were reviewed and signed. The following modifications were made to the agenda: 1) Discuss employee issues 2) E911 numbering criteria.

Town Forest: Members of the Stump Jumper Snowmobile Club attended to request permission to create new trails across the Town Forest to reroute around old trails they no longer have access to use. The Selectmen explained the currently unresolved controversy that the Town is involved in with the Nature Conservancy and, therefore, new trail access across the Town Forest will not be allowed at this time. The Board agreed to get an opinion from the Town Attorney and will contact the club to inform them of his opinion. Gary Montemagni asked permission to put up signage to notify hikers / bikers of his boundary with the Town Forest, as some are coming onto his property. The Board agreed. Following the discussion, Mat Nicklis, Lenny Howe, Barb Trudeau, Gary Montemagni and Nick Adams left the meeting.

Road Crew Issues: FLAP Grant: Chris Liller reviewed a proposed letter of support from the Board for the request for funding for the Eastern Federal Lands Access Program Project Application from the Town requesting additional funds for Grout Pond Rd. improvements. The Board concurred with the letter and all members present signed it. **Paving:** The Penny Ave. bridge paving project has been postponed to next summer. Additionally, the board discussed the option of bidding out paving as a two-year project for 2026 and 2027 and agreed it is an option to consider. **Green Mountain Power Project:** Their work on Strat.-Arl. Rd. continues. **Rec. Aea Snowmobile Trails:** The Foreman has shut down work on those trails as previously authorized by the Board. **New Truck:** The truck-body for said truck has not yet been delivered for installation.

Town Hall Usage: The Board approved the request of Candie Bernard for use of the Town Hall on November 30.

Minutes: Boomer Walker motioned to approve the Selectman's minutes of November 10, 2025. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred.

Employee Issues: The Clerk stated that he would like approval for Beth Liller to work full time as a Lister (with a considered hire date of December 1, 2025 and with the current payrate she is already receiving as a Lister). Recent statutes require extended training and they are transitioning into new programs and assessors. Additionally, the office will be shifting a bit so that Candie Bernard will be working more hours as Assistant Clerk. The Clerk will be dedicating more time to records' restoration. He also said he will be appointing Beth Liller as a second assistant Town Clerk. Boomer Walker so moved and Greg Marcucci seconded and the Board concurred with these changes.

The Board also agreed to pay for the Iovera injection for the Road Foreman's upcoming surgery, as Health Insurance will not cover it and it potentially will expedite his return to work.

E911: The Clerk relayed a request from the E911 Coordinator asking if they supported efforts to maintain a uniform 52.8ft increment between number across Town. The Board agreed to maintain this distance.

Adjourn: Boomer Walker motioned to adjourn at 8:15pm. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young

David Kent Young, Clerk