

TOWN OF STRATTON SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES JANUARY 2, 2014

The Stratton School Board held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January 2, 2014 at the Stratton Town Office. The meeting was called to order at 7 P.M.

ATTENDING: Thomas Montemagni, Chairman, Siobhan Eddy Young, Director and Lorraine M. Weeks-Newell, Sectretary.

NEW BUSINESS: Laura Hawksley, Stratton Town Treasurer, provided the Board with a copy of the Stratton School District Warning for the 2014/2015 school year. Tuition amounts when announced by the school districts (due 1/15/14) will be included in the warning and will be voted on at Town Meeting Day scheduled for the first Tuesday in March 2014. Also included in the warning are authorizations given to the Board by the town which will be voted on as well. Ms. Hawksley included with the warning an up to date list of Stratton students for 2014/2015. There is at present a total of 30 students 25 of whom will be using the Winhall school bus transportation. Ms Hawksley is waiting confirmation from Winhall (meeting on 1/7/14) on the per pupil cost of transportation.

In past years at Town Meeting Day the Stratton School Board held its portion of the meeting after the regular town meeting that began at 10 o'clock and continued to the lunch break. It was suggested to the School Board that we consider changing the time of the school meeting as follows: Regular town meeting would begin at 10 a.m. and continue until 11 a.m. The regular town meeting would be tabled at 11 a.m. at which time the school meeting would begin until the lunch break. After lunch the regular town meeting would resume. Siobhan Young motioned to approve the change with Thomas Montemagni seconding.

Siobhan Eddy Young will be contacting Steven John, WCSU superintendent, regarding the State of Vermont's funding for PreK. There is some question that the state will be paying PreK tuition. When received, this information will be reported in the Stratton School Board minutes.

The Stratton School Board has tentatively set its budget meeting for the week of January 20, 2014. They have requested that Frank Rucker, WCSU Chief Financial Officer, attend the meeting as well. The day and time of the meeting will be warned as soon as it is scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

BILLING:

Sullivan, Powers & Co., P.C. - Audit Services

\$ 5,334.00

Total amount of the January 2, 2014 order was \$5,334.00

The order was reviewed. Siobhan Young questioned the Sullivan, Powers & Co billing. Last month's order listed a charge of \$3,240 for audit services. In checking with Ms. Hawksley about this bill, she told Lorraine Newell that it is an on going fee for the audit that is being conducted.

The order was approved and signed. The total amount of the January 2, 2014 order was \$5,334.00.

As there was no other business, Lorraine Newell motioned to adjourn the meeting and Siobhan Young seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

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Stratton School Board Secretary