

**Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
January 25, 2021**

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell – Chair, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson, Alyson Peterson – Treasurer and Kent Young – Clerk.

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

Modifications to the Agenda: 1) Consideration of sending a letter to WRC requesting approval of the Town Plan and 2) Consideration of an Access Permit application were added to the agenda. Kevin Robinson so moved. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred.

Road Crew Issues: 2021 / 2022 Highway Budget: The Treasurer recommended borrowing \$72,000.00 from the Paving Reserve Fund to purchase the Wheeled Excavator at this time and then increase the New Equipment Purchase line item in next year's budget to \$175,000.00, so that the Paving Reserve Fund can be reimbursed in 2022. Kevin Robinson so moved. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. The budget submitted within the Town Meeting Warning for March 2, 2021 reflects this new amount in the Highway Budget. **Wheeled Excavator:** Since the Selectmen had determined to purchase this equipment at the last meeting, the Treasurer asked permission to pay out \$164,109.00 to Liftech JCB, since an order had not been drawn up. Kevin Robinson so moved. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. **Crack-Sealing:** The Foreman stated that he is arranging for Pike Hollow Rd. to be sealed next summer. **Signage:** Chris Liller stated that he found a sign he would like to duplicate to direct large trucks away from Canedy Rd. and Pike Hollow Rd. The Selectmen agreed to have three signs made for that purpose. He said he will work with the Wardsboro Road Crew for one additional sign to be placed on the Wardsboro side of Canedy Rd. **Access Permit:** The Selectmen reviewed an application submitted by Michael DiLorenzo for an access onto his property on W. Jamaica Rd.. He has marked the access point, which does not require a culvert. Chris Liller will work with him on the transition. Following discussion, all Selectmen signed the permit. **FLEET Permit:** The Selectmen reviewed and approved an overweight permit for Newport Sand & Gravel Co., Inc. / Carroll Concrete Co., Inc. Al Dupell signed the permit.

Town Meeting Warning: The Selectmen reviewed the Town Meeting Warning and discussed including an article addressing a Town vote to allow the sale of cannabis products within Town when it becomes legal in 2022. The board believed it was unnecessary at this time and since we are attempting to minimize the time of the meeting, they agreed not to include the article. Following the discussion, the Selectmen all approved and signed the Warning. The Town Clerk will post it as required.

Town Plan: The Clerk had prepared a letter requesting WRC consideration for approval of the Town Plan, which the Selectmen had adopted on December 14, 2020. After review, the Selectmen agreed to it and Al Dupell signed it as Chairman. The Clerk will send it, along with copies of the Town Plan to WRC.

Automatic Fire Alarms: As discussed at the last meeting, the Clerk produced a letter to Stratton Corp., charging \$600.00 for three preventable alarms, which the Stratton Fire Co. had responded to. The Selectmen concurred with it and Al Dupell signed it as chairman. The Clerk will send it, certified, to Stratton Corp..

Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve the Selectmen's Minutes of January 11, 2021. Kevin Robinson seconded. All concurred and the minutes were approved.

Transfer Station: Scott Marquis provided a letter that he will be able to return to work in two weeks. He also requested that an exterior light be added next to the Attendant's office door. The Selectmen agreed.

Adjourn: Kevin Robinson motioned to adjourn at 8:15p.m.. Greg Marcucci seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by: