

Town of Stratton Selectmen's Meeting

July 23, 2012

Members present: Selectmen – Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Kevin Robinson and Greg Marcucci; Road Foreman – Ralph Staib and Clerk – Kent Young; also Jessica Rizio of Beck Engineering and Dave Dancosse of All Seasons Construction.

Al Dupell called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m. at the Stratton Town Garage. Orders were reviewed and signed.

Mountain Rd. / Kidder Brook Bridge: Jessica Rizio discussed the conflict between FEMA and the VT Agency of Natural Resources concerning bridge replacements after Tropical Storm Irene throughout Vermont. FEMA does not recognize ANR requirements and has said that ANR is inconsistent with their design requirements. This decision has affected approval of funds from FEMA needed to repair the Mountain Rd., Kidder Brook bridge / culvert and may affect the Penny Ave Bridge although it had been previously approved by FEMA. The State has appealed this decision and expects a response in August. Meanwhile, Beck Eng. has submitted a preliminary design based on the FEMA approved work package and ANR has stated that they will not approve the design, as it does not meet ANR criteria. Beck Engineering is requesting direction from the Selectmen on how to proceed. The Selectmen all concurred that we should wait until FEMA responds to the appeal and ANR's response to that decision before proceeding further with the project. At this time, Jessica Rizio left the meeting.

Salt / Sand Shed: The Selectmen continue to hold bids for this project. Bids had been submitted by DOME Corp. of North America for a Dome-style building, All Seasons Construction for a pole-building and Norseman Structures, Inc. for a steel frame / fabric covered structure. Dave Dancosse was present from All Seasons Const. to answer questions concerning the pole-building design. The Selectmen discussed foundation options, snow-load, height and options for covering the chloride tanks, as well as electrical and ventilation requirements for the structure. Some engineering factors and site configuration issues need to be examined prior to a decision on the type of building best suited for the location. The Selectmen agreed to postpone a decision until the August 13, 2012 meeting. At this time, Dave Dancosse left the meeting.

Penny Ave Bridge Project: There is still no schedule for the start of the job.

Transfer Station: The Selectmen deliberated concerning potential changes to usage of the Transfer Station. The Clerk reported that all Property Managers have been alerted to attend the August 13, 2012 meeting, if they wish to participate in the discussion. The Selectmen also requested that Roger Schultz be notified to attend. The Clerk agreed to do so. Al Dupell said that the gate needs to be fixed so that it will shut completely – he recommended that the Town get a service contract with Springfield Fence Co..

Town Garage Project: Fitzpatrick still has not returned to fix the septic tank problem. Chris Liller will contact Quinn Co. to ask about completion of items for the final punch list. Greg Marcucci stated that someone from the Town needs to be present when they check for moisture in the insulation. Chris Liller agreed to be present. Ralph Staib said that there is still a problem with the alarm system – the electrician, Prue Electric and the alarm company, Countryside Lock and Alarm, are aware of it. There is also an electrical problem apparently associated with the emergency generator, which sometimes causes the automatic door operators to open or partially open doors during a power outage. That problem is also being addressed.

Minutes: Chris Liller moved to approve minutes of July 9, 2012. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

Adjourn: Greg Marcucci motioned to adjourn at 9:10p.m.. Chris Liller seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by: *David Kent Young*