

Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
July 9, 2012

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

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

Salt / Sand Shed: The Selectmen began review of bids for this project. Bids submitted were by DOME Corp. of North America, for a Dome-style building. All Seasons Construction submitted a bid for a pole-building. Norseman Structures, Inc. submitted a bid for a steel frame / fabric covered structure. The Selectmen had additional questions about snow-load, height and options for covering the chloride tanks. The Selectmen agreed to postpone a decision to the July 23, 2012 meeting, which will take place at the Town Garage. The Clerk agreed to warn the change of location for the meeting.

Penny Ave Bridge Project: In discussion with the Clerk, Renaud Bros. reported that Michie Co. had not yet finished the shop drawings for the precast components. There is still no schedule for the start of the job.

Mountain Rd. / Kidder Brook Bridge: FEMA has approved a work package / funding for this project. Details of the modified bridge design were written into the package. Apparently, this modification was a compromise between FEMA and VAOT. The Clerk forwarded the FEMA work package to Beck Engineering, who will verify if this change will be accepted by ANR for permitting. The previous design submitted by Beck Eng. Was developed to meet ANR requirements, as based on the hydraulic study developed for this site. Expenses to develop these plans were over \$15,000.00. Additionally, to cost to build this structure was estimated at approx. \$350,000.00. The structure that FEMA has agreed to fund, however, apparently can be built for approx. \$108,800.00. We are still uncertain that ANR will permit this FEMA-approved structure. The Clerk agreed to ask Beck Engineering to inquire if this will be acceptable to ANR. Beck Eng. Agreed to attend the next meeting to discuss this issue.

Transfer Station: Bears have been raiding the dumpsters and scattering trash. This is partly due to users not properly securing the dumpsters after use. This is only one of several problems concerning Transfer Station usage, which needs to be addressed. Greg Marcucci stated that he would like to have an attendant present whenever the site is used by anyone, including Property Managers. He asked that the Clerk and Road Crew ask Property Managers to attend a future meeting to discuss use of the Transfer Station and determine days they would like to see the Transfer Station available to them, should the Town decide to eliminate that privilege.

Town Garage Project: Fitzpatrick Excavating has not yet returned to repair the septic tank problem. Chris Liller will contact Quinn Co. to ask about completion of items necessary to close out the project. 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 he will also install the necessary pole that the additional security camera will be mounted upon.

2012/13 Tax Rates: The Selectmen all signed to approve the following tax rates for this fiscal year: The municipal rate was set at \$0.1641.

Homestead Rate **\$1.6830** (Education homestead rate of \$1.5189 + \$0.1641)

Non-Resident Rate **\$1.5517** (Non-Resident Education rate of \$1.3876 + \$0.1641)

Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve minutes of June 25, 2012. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

Adjourn: Greg Marcucci motioned to adjourn at 8:55p.m.. Chris Liller seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by: *David Kent Young*