TOWN OF STRATTON

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF MARCH 2, 2021

A small number of legal voters of the Town of Stratton met as warned at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 2, 2021. Due to COVID 19 Restrictions, the Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Stratton had voted to recommend that the Town Meeting be opened and then immediately adjourned to a place, date and time certain of Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 10:00AM at the Stratton Town Hall. This decision was mailed out to the households of all legal voters of Stratton. Only a minimal number of voters were present to start the meeting. Moderator, Diana Stugger, called the meeting to order at 10:00am and read the opening statement of the Warning. The Town Clerk took the roll. Six voters were present: Diana Stugger, Kent Young, Greg Marcucci, Rayleen Marcucci, Candie Bernard and Alyson Peterson. One guest was present, Kenneth O'Connor of Vermont Digger. A majority of four exists.

The Moderator read the following Article:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.

Kent Young nominated Diana Stugger. Alyson Peterson seconded. Greg Marcucci moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Diana Stugger was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Adjournment to place, date and time certain: At this time, the Moderator asked for a motion to adjourn to Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 10:00AM at the Stratton Town Hall. Greg Marcucci so moved. Kent Young seconded. All present concurred. The meeting shall continue at that time.

Minutes by:

MAY 4, 2021

The Moderator, Diana Stugger, called the meeting to order at 10:00AM on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at the Stratton Town Hall, in accordance with the adjournment of March 2, 2021.

The Moderator summarized the events of March 2, 2021 and then asked the Clerk to take roll.

The Clerk took roll – 26 voters were present for a majority of 14. Guests present were Andrew McKeever of GNATV, Kenneth O'Connor of VT Digger, and Colleen Palmer the Headmaster of Mountain School in Winhall.

ARTICLE 2: To act on the Town Report.

Boomer Walker moved to approve the Town Report. Kent Young seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote on the article. The ayes were unanimous and the Town Report was approved.

ARTICLE 3: To elect Town officers as required by law:

Selectman (one three-year term): Kent Young nominated Larry Bills. Chris Liller seconded. Al Dupell moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Larry Bills was elected Selectman for a three-year term.

Selectman (one one-year term): Kent Young nominated Al Dupell. Larry Bills seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Al Dupell was elected Selectman for a one-year term.

Selectman (one one-year term): Larry Bills nominated Kevin Robinson. Al Dupell seconded. Chris Liller moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Al Dupell seconded. All concurred. Kevin Robinson was elected Selectman for a one-year term.

Planning Commissioner (one three-year term): Kent Young nominated Rob Wadsworth. Boomer Walker seconded. Chris Liller moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Rob Wadsworth was elected Planning Commissioner for a three-year term.

Planning Commissioner (one one-year term): Kent Young nominated George Rigoulot. Larry Bills seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. George Rigoulot was elected Planning Commissioner for a one-year term.

Planning Commissioner (one one-year term): Kent Young nominated Ray Hawksley. Boomer Walker seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Ray Hawksley was elected Planning Commissioner for a one-year term.

Lister (one three-year term): Boomer Walker nominated Kent Young. Kevin Robinson seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Boomer Walker seconded. All concurred. Kent Young was elected Lister for a three-year term.

Cemetery Commissioner (one three-year term): Larry Bills nominated Chris Liller. Allison Young seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Chris Liller was elected Cemetery Commissioner for a three-year term.

Delinquent Tax Collector (one one-year term): Chris Liller nominated Candie Bernard. Kevin Robinson seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Candie Bernard was elected Delinquent Tax Collector for a one-year term.

Trustee of Public Funds (one one-year term): Boomer Walker nominated Alyson Peterson. Al Dupell seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent

Young seconded. All concurred. Alyson Peterson was elected Trustee of Public Funds for a one-year term.

Constable (one one-year term): Kent Young nominated Boomer Walker. Al Dupell seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Boomer Walker was elected Constable for a one-year term.

Town Agent (one one-year term): Kent Young nominated John Waite. Al Dupell seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. John Waite was elected Town Agent for a one-year term.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will furnish bonds where bonds are required.

Boomer Walker so moved. Kevin Robinson seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 4 was approved.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money on notes of the Town or otherwise in anticipation of taxes and/or current expenses. Kent Young so moved. Boomer Walker seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 5 was approved.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to approve the following appropriation requests:

American Red Cross	500.00
Big Heavy World	250.00
Community Food Pantry	500.00
Deerfield Valley Rescue	2,000.00
Grace Cottage Foundation	7,000.00
Green Up Vermont	50.00
Groundworks Collaborative	500.00
Health Care and Rehabilitation Services	500.00
Historical Society of Windham County	250.00
Joann Liller Scholarship Fund	500.00
Londonderry Volunteer Rescue	2,500.00
Senior Solutions	500.00
SeVEDS.	648.00
Southern VT Therapeutic Riding Center	750.00
Valley Cares, Inc.	335.00
VT Center for Independent Living	500.00
VT Family Network	250.00
VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force	100.00
Visiting Nurse Association	800.00
Wardsboro Public Library	5,735.00
Wardsboro Volunteer Fire Association	5,000.00
Wardsboro Volunteer Rescue	5,000.00
Windham County Humane Society	400.00
Winhall Library	2,500.00
Women's Freedom Center	750.00
TOTAL	\$37,818.00

Kent Young so moved. Boomer Walker seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 6 passed.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$65,550.00 for the Stratton Mountain Volunteer Fire Company operating budget. Chris Liller so moved. Boomer Walker seconded. The Moderator asked for discussion and perhaps a comment from a member of the Fire Dept. Al Dupell

thanked the voters for their support. With no further discussion, the Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 7 passed.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to apply any surplus from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year. Larry Bills so moved. Chris Liller seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 8 passed.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$907,769.00 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2022 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022). Boomer Walker so moved. Kent Young seconded. The Moderator asked for discussion and asked the Treasurer of differences from last year. She replied that the Fire Truck leases had been paid off. With no further discussion, the Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 9 passed.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$837,500.00 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Highway Fund for fiscal year 2022 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022). Boomer Walker so moved. Larry Bills seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 10 passed.

ARTICLE 11: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. No other business was addressed.

Adjournment: At 10:23AM, the Moderator asked for a motion to adjourn. Larry Bills so moved. Boomer Walker seconded and the Annual Stratton Town Meeting for 2021 adjourned.

Minutes by:		Approved:
David Bent My		Digna Stugger
Town Clerk – David Kent/Young		Moderator – Diana Stugger
Approved by the Selectmen:	$\alpha \beta$	
ant boyen	(hK	
Albert Dupell	Chris Liller	
71Bi		
Larry Bills	Greg Marcucci	
I Walt		
Kevin Robinson		