

Town of Stratton Selectmen's Meeting

July 10, 2017

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson; and Clerk – Kent Young.

Al Dupell called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Orders were reviewed and signed. **Modifications to the Agenda:** Add 1) Consideration of Planning Commission position appointment. 2) Discuss change to Uniform services for the Road Crew.

Rec. Area: Ball Field Electrical: Green Mountain Power (GMP) is ready to add power as soon as payment is submitted. Payment has been included in tonight's orders. Chris Liller stated that he is in contact with GMP and that the Road Crew will dig the trench when the weather cooperates and the area has dried out. **Pavilion:** VMS Construction has submitted a bid. Chris Liller said that All Seasons Construction should have a bid in soon. Kent Young said that he had spoken with Rob Wadsworth and Paul Bernard, both of whom he believes will submit bids. The Selectmen agreed to wait until additional bids have been submitted before opening the VMS Construction bid.

Road Crew Issues: Uniforms: Chris Liller said that currently there have been problems with the uniform service currently being used – UniFirst, and that he had requested that the Clerk search for another service. Foley Services out of Rutland, Vermont, was recommended by other Towns – they have since submitted a cost sheet for their weekly rental services. The Selectmen reviewed and discussed these services. Larry Bills moved to hire Foley Services. Greg Marcucci seconded. All concurred.

Security Systems: Home Security Services (HSS) submitted proposals for installing a new camera security system at the Town Garage and a new system at the Town Hall to cover the area of the Town sign and the parking lot / Town Office. This company will not maintain commercial Fire Alarm systems. The proposals did not include servicing and monitoring of the motion sensors. Chris Liller said that he can obtain a proposal from Low Voltage and he is waiting for Fire Alarm monitoring from Code 3.

Transfer Station: Casella delivered composting containers, but they were not bear-proof, as the Selectmen thought they were supposed to be. The Clerk received an explanation from Randy Dapron, of Casella, that the containers delivered are what Casella can pick up. He said he could order a more secure container, if the town wants one. After a discussion, the Selectmen decided that the existing containers will be sufficient and that they should be kept in the shipping container located behind the Salt Shed, which should keep them inaccessible to bears.

2017/8 Tax Rates: The Treasurer submitted calculations for said tax rates the Total Tax Rates calculated are a Homestead Tax Rate of \$1.6941 (State Education Tax Rate of \$1.5958 + Municipal Tax Rate of \$0.0983) and a Non-Resident Tax Rate of \$1.6592 (State Education Tax Rate of \$1.5958 + Municipal Tax Rate of \$0.0983). The Selectmen reviewed and approved an order to the Treasurer to collect taxes at said rates. Greg Marcucci so moved. Larry Bills seconded. All concurred and all signed the order.

Planning Commission Vacancy: Ann Patten submitted a letter indicating that she is interested in filling the Planning Commission vacancy. After a discussion with the Clerk, Larry Bills moved to appoint Anne Patten to the Planning Commission. Kevin Robinson seconded – all concurred.

Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve the Selectmen's Minutes of June 26, 2017. Larry Bills seconded the motion. All concurred and the minutes were approved.

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

Minutes by: *David Kent Young*