

**TOWN OF STRATTON
STRATTON SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
OCTOBER 2, 2018**

The Stratton School Board held its monthly meeting on October 2, 2018 at the Stratton Town Office. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

ATTENDING: Siobhan Eddy Young, Director, Lorraine M. Weeks Newell, Secretary, Alyson Marcucci, Stratton Treasurer and Alison Young, Stratton resident.

MODIFICATIONS: None

MINUTES: The minutes for the September 4, 2018 were read. Lorraine Newell motioned to approve and Siobhan Young seconded.

RESIDENCY APPLICATONS: None

BILLING:

Burr & Burton Academy – 1 st semester tuition - \$68,260.00	CK#4423
Long Trail School – 1 st semester tuition - \$7,809.00	CK#4424
The Bement School – 1 st semester tuition - \$7,809.00	CK#4425
The Mountain School At Winhall - \$136,578.00 -	CK#4426
Town of Stratton – repayment of FY18 Loan - \$130,000.00 -	CK#4427

The order was reviewed, approved and signed.

The total amount of the 10/2/18 order was \$350,456.00.

ADDITIONAL BILLING: Based on residency approvals at the September 6, 2018 meeting, the following tuition was approved for payment to the following schools:

Maple Street School – tuition - \$6,955.00 -	CK#4421
Stratton Mountain School – Tuition - \$15,618.00 -	CK#4422

The total amount of the supplement 9/6/18 order was \$22,573.00

NEW ACCOUNTING SYSTEM FOR STRATTON SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Stratton Treasurer, Alyson Marcucci, informed the Board that she has been in contact with Laurie Garland, WCSU Business Manager, regarding the new accounting program that will go into effect by July 2019 with implementation of the new software by July 2020. Ms. Marcucci has aired her concerns to the Stratton Board regarding what benefits, if any, her learning the new program would be for the Stratton School District.

She stated the following:

The amount of time needed for Ms. Marcucci to learn the new system (approximately 40 hours) would require additional pay.

Compensation to the WCSU for an individual to work with her at the office would be required.

Additional training would be necessary in the future.

Software security may require the use of a specific printer which could result in the need to purchase of a new office printer.

Ms. Marcucci will keep the Board informed of any new information she may receive.

ACT 46:

On September 19th Thomas Montemagni and Lorraine Newell represented Stratton's school district at a meeting with the Vermont State Board of Education in Chester, VT. The State Board of Education met with VT school districts to review the VT Secretary of Education's decision regarding the merging of school districts under ACT 46. Stratton Board Chairman, Thomas Montemagni, stated Stratton's reasons why the town petitioned to remain an independent school district. He addressed concerns dealing with tuition and transportation.

On June 1, 2018, Stratton's petition to the VT Department of education was approved. Stratton will remain an independent district to manage and conduct school business as a stand-alone district.

OTHER SCHOOL BOARD INFORMATION:

Due to elections to be held on November 6, 2018 at the Stratton Town Office, it is necessary for the school board to reschedule the November meeting on an alternate night. The new date will be stated in the Stratton School Board Warning for November.

As there was no other business, Siobhan Young motioned to adjourn the meeting. Lorraine Newell seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine M. Weeks-Newell
Stratton School Board Secretary