

**Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
September 25, 2023**

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell, chair, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, and Greg Marcucci; Steve Petrik of SoVTA, Steve Fletcher, and Kent Young, Clerk.

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

Modifications: The Selectmen agreed to add the following issues: 1) Consideration of Assessing contract extension and 2) discuss budgeting for a Town Event for the summer of 2024.

SoVTA Trail Work: Steve Petrik was present to inform the Selectmen that trail work within the Town Forest is nearly complete. He said he will have a sign made up to be installed out of the right-of-way so that it will not need VTrans' permission. He will, however, ensure that lettering is adequate. The site will be opened for use on October 15, 2023. Following this discussion Mr. Petrik left the meeting.

Town Summer Event: The Selectmen discussed planning for a Stratton Community Event to be held at the Recreation Area next summer. Steve Fletcher was present to help plan for said event, as he will estimate expenses for budgeting purposes. Plans include a tent, a pig roast with other dishes – perhaps catered by Dan and Lisa Gilbeau – and a band. Following discussion, Mr. Fletcher said that he will calculate an estimate based on tonight's discussion, and get back it to the Selectmen for their budget.

Road Crew Issues: Paving: Chris Liller stated that paving is nearly complete. Fuller Sand and Gravel will return to finish aprons and patching. He has also arranged for the striping to be completed soon.

Grading: Roads across town that require grading will be completed prior to October 9. **Sand and Salt:** Sand and Salt are currently being delivered.

Assessing Contract: The Selectmen considered extending the assessor's contract submitted by Purvis and Assoc. to cover for the additional months necessary to get through this year's appeals. All board members signed the extension to approve it.

Town Hall Usage: The Selectmen agreed to allow Jenna Brown the use of the Town Hall on November 18, 2023. Greg Marcucci so moved. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve the Selectmen's minutes of September 11, 2023. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

Adjourn: Larry Bills moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young