Town of Stratton Selectman's Meeting

August 25, 2025

Present: Selectman: Chair – Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Boomer Walker; Clerk, Kent Young; Town Attorney, Robert Fisher; Steve Petrik of SoVTA and Attorney, Merril Bent representing the Nature Conservancy.

7:30 pm: Al Dupell called the meeting to order. The Selectmen individually reviewed and signed orders. Immediately, Boomer Walker moved to enter Executive Session to discuss a legal dispute. Larry Bills seconded. All concurred. The Chair invited Attorneys, Robert Fisher and Merrill Bent, as well as Steve Petrik of SoVTA and Clerk Kent Young to attend.

At 8:20 pm, Attorney, Merrill Bent left the meeting. At 8:40 pm, Attorney, Robert Fisher, and Steve Petrik left the meeting. At 8:45, Boomer Walker moved to exit Executive Session. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred and said session ended. No decisions were made.

Agenda: Al Dupell asked if there were changes to the agenda. The Clerk said to add 1) Consider naming of a Road 2) consider FLEET permits. Greg Marcucci so moved. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Road-Naming: The Selectmen consider a letter from Ross Powers requesting that the private road that is part of the subdivision of his lots surrounding his house be called Sky Top Rd. (this merges with Margeaux Ln., a private road that intersects with North Rd.. Greg Marcucci moved to approve the name. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Road Crew Issues: Chris Liller reported on the following issues: 1) Grout Pond Rd.: the second FLAP grant available to the Town will have associated conditions. The Foreman will discuss this further with WRC to determine what will be required. 2) Green Mountain Power Project: Tree-trimming continues. He also has provided GMP with a culvert plan for Willis Cemetery Rd., as this and other sections of the project in that vicinity may be worked first. 3) Snowmobile Trails: Chris Liller relayed that the Pathfinders would like to perform maintenance on the trail through the Rec. Area. Larry Bills moved to allow said maintenance with supervision from the Road Crew. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. 4) Paving: Chris Liller stated that Fuller Sand and Gravel, Inc. has postponed paving until a Winhall culvert project has been completed. Additionally, Chris Liller has laid out the line-striping, as that project will occur soon. 5) Town Hall: Chris Liller stated that the technician from All-Around Appliance has determined that the oven issue is a timer unit that is no longer available. He recommends replacement of the oven. After a discussion, the board agreed to replace both ovens. A quote was given of approximately \$1650.00 per oven. 6) Rec. Area: Chris Liller stated that Allison Young had asked if the Wardsboro school could use the ball field for a kickball game on September 1. The Selectmen concurred that no permission is required to use the field. 7) Town Forest Trail bridge: Chris Liller is working with ANR regarding trail construction, as they recommend substituting a bridge over a brook instead of the planned culvert on a section of trail in the right-of-way. 8) FLEET Permits: Greg Marcucci moved to approve Overweight permits submitted by Field & Sons Transportation, Inc. and McElwain Contracting, LLC. Larry Bills seconded. All concurred and Al Dupell signed the permits.

Minutes: Larry Bills motioned to approve the Selectman's minutes of August 11, 2025. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Adjourn: Greg Marcucci motioned to adjourn at 9:05pm. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by: David Kent Young

David Kent Young, Clerk