Town of Stratton Selectman's Meeting

December 08, 2025

Present: Selectman: Chair – Al Dupell, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Boomer Walker; Clerk, Kent Young; Meg Staloff of Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies group (SeVEDS) and Alyssa Sabetto of Windham Regional Commission (WRC) (by phone).

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

Modifications: The following modification was made to the agenda: 1) Skyfall Dev., LLC tax assessment appeal to Superior Court. Boomer Walker so moved Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred.

SeVEDS Appropriation Request: Meg Saloff was present to explain the purpose of the organization and the reason that the annual appropriation increased to \$1218.00 from last year's request of \$648.00. Following the explanation of their purpose and a general discussion, Ms. Staloff stated that the increase was based on the population of the Town. The previous amount had been developed from the 2010 census, while this year's amount relied on an estimated number reduced from the 2020 census number, which was inflated due to COVID and unreliable. The increase seemed reasonable and the request will be included in the Appropriations Article for Town Meeting. Following the discussion, Meg Staloff left the meeting.

Flood Hazard Mitigation: Alyssa Sabetto of WRC attended by phone to review the final draft of said plan, which is the five-year update of the existing plan. A comment period had been given to expire on Dec 8 and public comments were submitted. The Board agreed to extend the comment period to Dec 12. Ms. Sabetto also asked if the Selectmen were interested in pursuing implementation of a Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Bylaw. Following a discussion, the board was reluctant to pursue this as the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) intends to implement this regulation at the State level in 2028. Following the discussion, the call with Alyssa Sabetto ended.

Town Forest: The attorney has not yet heard back from the Nature Conservancy's Attorney regarding the agreement or an opinion on the proposed snowmobile trails within the Town Forest. The Board agreed to postpone any action regarding this matter until they receive a reply from the Nature Conservancy's Attorney.

Rec. Area: Steve Petrik reported to the Clerk that he has not yet received a response from the Act 250 board regarding the submission of the Permit Amendment.

Road Crew Issues: FLAP Grant: The Grant application has been submitted. Green Mountain Power Project: Their work on Strat.-Arl. Rd. continues. New Grader: The Foreman is working to obtain quotes. Guard Rails: Lafayette is scheduled to replace the recently damaged rail at the West Jamaica Rd. / Canedy Rd. intersection. Traffic Study: WRC submitted results from October, which indicated that an average count of 220 vehicles per day used on Penny Ave. and 140 vehicles per day used on Canedy Rd. The Foreman stated that the numbers are likely considerably higher during the winter months.

Minutes: Greg Marcucci motioned to approve the Selectman's minutes of November 24, 2025. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Superior Court Tax Appeal: The Board requested that the Clerk invite the Town Attorney to attend an Executive Session to discuss said case at the December 22, 2025 Selectmen's Meeting. The Clerk agreed.

Adjourn: Chris Liller motioned to adjourn at 8:35pm. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young

David Kent Young, Clerk