

TOWN OF STRATTON
MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING OF
MARCH 2, 2021

A small number of legal voters of the Stratton School District met as warned at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 2, 2021. Due to COVID 19 Restrictions, the Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Stratton had voted to recommend that the School District Meeting be opened and then immediately adjourned to a place, date and time certain of Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 10:30AM at the Stratton Town Hall. This decision was mailed out to the households of all legal voters of Stratton. Only a minimal number of voters were present to start the meeting. Moderator, Diana Stugger, called the meeting to order at 11:00am and read the opening statement of the Warning. The Town Clerk took the roll. Six voters were present: Diana Stugger, Kent Young, Greg Marcucci, Rayleen Marcucci, Candie Bernard and Alyson Peterson. A majority of four exists.

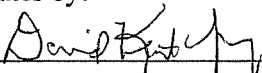
The Moderator read the following Article:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year, as required by law.

Kent Young nominated Diana Stugger. Alyson Peterson seconded. Greg Marcucci moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Diana Stugger was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Adjournment to place, date and time certain: At this time, the Moderator asked for a motion to adjourn to Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 10:30AM at the Stratton Town Hall. Greg Marcucci so moved. Alyson Peterson seconded. All present concurred. The meeting shall continue at that time.

Minutes by:



Town Clerk – David Kent Young

MAY 4, 2021

The Moderator, Diana Stugger, called the meeting to order at 10:30AM on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at the Stratton Town Hall, in accordance with the adjournment of March 2, 2021.

The Moderator summarized the events of March 2, 2021 and then asked the Clerk to take roll.

The Clerk took roll – 31 voters were present for a majority of 16. Guests present were Andrew McKeever of GNATV, Kenneth O'Connor of VT Digger, and Colleen Palmer the Headmaster of Mountain School in Winhall.

ARTICLE 2: *To elect all Stratton School District Officers, as required by law:*

School District Director One three-year term

Kent Young nominated Melissa Walker. Greg Marcucci seconded. Chris Liller moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Melissa Walker was elected School District Director for the term of three years.

School District Director One term for two years of a three-year term

Kent Young nominated Kellie D'Elia-Laskin. Allison Young seconded. Larry Bills moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Kellie D'Elia-Laskin was elected School District Director for the remaining two years of a term of three years.

School District Director One one-year term

No nomination was made. Discussion: The Clerk stated that in this event, the School Board can appoint the position at a subsequent meeting. An appointment is good until the next Annual School District Meeting is held or unless a Special Meeting is petitioned to fill the position.

School District Director One one-year term

No nomination was made.

ARTICLE 3: *To set the Annual 2021-2022 tuition rate to The Mountain School at Winhall up to the announced Vermont Union Elementary School tuition rate for students in grades K-6 and up to the announced Vermont Union High School tuition rate for students in grades 7-8, who are residents of the school district pursuant to VSA 16 sections 823 & 828. Boomer Walker so moved. Al Dupell seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 3 was unanimously approved.*

ARTICLE 4: *To set the Annual 2021-2022 K-6 tuition rate to all other private or approved independent schools up to the announced Vermont Union Elementary School tuition rate for students in grades K-6, excluding those students covered in Article 3, who are residents of the school district. Chris Liller so moved. Kevin Robinson seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 4 was unanimously approved.*

ARTICLE 5: *To set the Annual 2021-2022 tuition rate to Burr & Burton Academy up to the amount of \$18,490.00 per pupil for students in grades 9-12, who are residents of the school district. Boomer Walker so moved. Allison Young seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 5 was unanimously approved.*

ARTICLE 6: *To set the Annual 2021-2022 tuition rate to all other private or approved independent schools up to the announced Vermont Union High School tuition rate for students in grades 7-12, excluding those students covered in Article 3 and Article 5, who are residents of the school district. Chris Liller so moved.*

Boomer Walker seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 6 was unanimously approved.

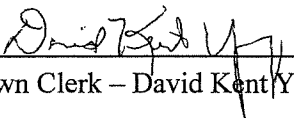
ARTICLE 7: *Shall the voters of the School District approve the School Board to expend \$1,231,100.00, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$16,362.00 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 5.802% less than spending for the current year.* Kent Young so moved. Boomer Walker seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 7 was unanimously approved.

ARTICLE 8: *To see if the Town will authorize the School Directors to borrow money for the school district in anticipation of taxes and state money allocated to the district.* Boomer Walker so moved. Al Dupell seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 8 was unanimously approved.

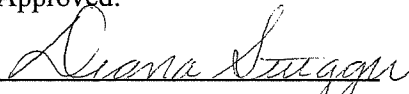
ARTICLE 9: *To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.* Allison Young said that anyone interested who is not on the School Board's email list, may submit their email address to her. She asked if the headmasters of the Mountain School at Winhall and Stratton Mountain School would like to speak to the voters. Both agreed and so the Moderator asked for a voice vote to allow Coleen Palmer of the Mountain School at Winhall to speak. All concurred – no objections. Ms. Palmer addressed the voters, by introducing herself and gave a brief synopsis of the past year for the school and then thanked the voters for their support. Carson Thurber, headmaster of Stratton Mountain School and a resident of Stratton also introduced himself. He too gave a brief synopsis of the school year and thanked the voters for their continued support.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further discussion, the Moderator asked for a motion to adjourn at 10:54AM. Kent Young so moved. Boomer Walker seconded and the School District Meeting of 2021 adjourned.

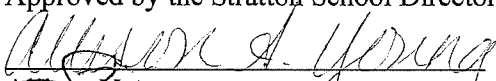
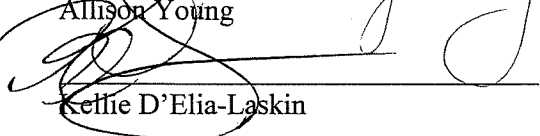
Minutes by:



Town Clerk – David Kent Young

Approved:


Moderator – Diana Stigger

Approved by the Stratton School Directors


Allison Young

Kellie D'Elia-Laskin


Melissa Walker