

**Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
December 27, 2016**

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell - Chair, Chris Liller and Kevin Robinson; Clerk – Kent Young and Mike Owens.

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

Modifications to the Agenda: No modifications were made.

Stratton Rec. Area usage: Mike Owens was present to request use of the area on Sunday morning, between about 8:AM and 12:00PM on January 8, 2017, for a snowshoe race – part of the Dion Snowshoe Series hosted by the Western Mass. Athletic Club. He said he would lay out a course following some of the Cross Country Ski Trails in the area and that part of the course would follow a section of the VAST trail as well. Although the Town does not “reserve” the Rec. Area, the Selectmen concurred with its use for the event, but with the stipulation that others are not hindered from using the Rec. Area. Additionally, the Selectmen stipulated that if the parking lots are filled, then they should ensure that parking occurs only along Old Town Rd. on only one side of that road, and that any trash or materials generated by or for the event are removed and carried out once it is finished. Chris Liller said that he will inform the Wardsboro Snowmobile Club of the event and that some signage should be placed along the trail, notifying snowmobilers of the additional use by snowshoers. The Selectmen encourage the use of the area for events such as this. Following the discussion, Mr. Owens left the meeting.

Town Hall Use: The Selectmen considered and approved the use of the Town Hall by Bob Thatcher for his Boy Scout Troop on January 27-29, 2017.

Road Crew Issues: Garage Internet Service: Chris Liller informed the Selectmen that the VTEL internet service at the Town Garage was installed and working well. **Conti Access:** He also said that he had been contacted by the Contis of 308 West Jamaica Rd., about clearing limbs and possible tree removal for better visibility from their access. The crew will remove the limbs and if more clearing is necessary, they will contact the owner of the adjacent property, Greg Hoffmann, about removing trees. **Grout Pond Rd.:** He also stated that, following the last meeting, Otto Tarbell had requested that Grout Pond Rd. be plowed so that he has access to his lot for logging this winter, and that it is plowed to the end of the road, so that his logging landing is not used for parking. He will also put up a sign on his lot to discourage parking there. The Selectmen concurred.

Minutes: Chris Liller moved to approve the Selectmen's minutes for December 12, 2016. Kevin Robinson seconded. All concurred – the minutes were approved.

Windham Solid Waste Management District (WSWMD): Al Dupell read a letter from the District's Executive Director, informing district towns that the WSWMD will close the Materials Recovery Facility in June, but will continue to provide various solid waste recycling functions as required by State law and outlined in the District's Materials Management Plan, as well as preparation of Solid Waste Implementation Plans (necessary for District Towns' Transfer Stations to remain certified).

Adjourn: Kevin Robinson motioned to adjourn at 8:00p.m.. Chris Liller seconded. All concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young