

**Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
September 13, 2021**

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell - Chair, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson; resident Stewart Underwood, Jan Giejda of Stratton Corp., and Kent Young – Clerk.

Al Dupell called the site visit meeting to order at 7:00pm at the intersection of County Rd. and Pikes Falls Rd., as warned for the site visit there. The board discussed replacing a short stone culvert located on the Underwood's property, between two culverts under each of the said roads. The Underwood agreed to allow the Town to replace with covered ditching. The Town will also move forward with acquiring an easement for this area, extending the Town's right-of-way to include said ditch area. Following the discussion, the Selectmen proceeded to the Stratton Town Office to continue the regular Selectmen's meeting scheduled for 7:30pm.

Al Dupell commenced the regular meeting. Orders were reviewed and signed.

Modifications to the Agenda: No modifications were made.

Road Crew Issues: Flooding Event of July 29, 2021: Bids for Various projects were legally posted, advertised and sent out. Bid results are as follows: **Bridge 23 Culvert construction and delivery:** Renaud Bros., Inc. bid \$138,000.00 to construct, deliver and set the culvert. CAMP Precast Concrete Products, Inc. bid \$99,750.00 to construct and deliver the structure only. They did not include setting the culvert. **Bridge 23 Culvert – prepare site, then cover and finish applicable roadwork:** Hunter Excavating, Inc. bid \$140,000.00, Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC bid \$59,000.00 and Weaver Excavating, Inc. bid \$71,500.00. A discussion followed: The Road Foreman had explicitly discussed what was needed with all parties and that all of these projects (including the projects to follow) need to be completed by October 31, 2021 (six weeks from this date). He also stated that these projects do not include paving or guardrails. Following the discussion, Larry Bills moved to accept the bid of Renaud Bros., Inc. for construction, delivery and setting the culvert and Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC for the preparation, fill and roadwork completion as specified. Kevin Robinson seconded – all concurred and the motion passed. **Replacement of the 3ft culvert on Mountain Rd.:** Hunter Excavating, Inc. bid \$14,400.00, Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC bid \$7000.00 and Weaver Excavating, Inc. bid \$11,500.00. Larry Bills moved to award the project to Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC. Kevin Robinson seconded – all concurred and the motion passed. **Canedy Rd. Bank Stabilization Project:** Hunter Excavating, Inc. bid \$12,000.00, Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC bid \$7500.00 and Weaver Excavating, Inc. bid \$14,500.00. Greg Marcucci moved to accept the bid of Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred and the motion passed. **West Jamaica Rd. Stabilization Project:** Hunter Excavating, Inc. bid \$13,000.00, Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC bid \$9800.00 and Weaver Excavating, Inc. bid \$7500.00. Larry Bills moved to offer the project to Weaver Excavating, Inc.. If said company does not want to move in to do just one of the projects above, then Fitzpatrick Excavating & Trucking, LLC shall be awarded the project at their bid price. Kevin Robinson seconded – all concurred and the motion passed. The Road Foreman will contact said companies with bid results. **Engineering Retainer bid:** The only bid received was from Dufresne Group. Since no other bids were received, the Selectmen agreed to table this bid offer until further notice. The Clerk will contact said company and offer to return their unopened bid package. **Paving:** Chris Liller stated that milling the road had been started, but delayed due to the thickness of the road was too much for the machine being used initially. Fuller Sand and Gravel will return this week to complete the job. Mr. Fuller also agreed to return to pave over the projects discussed above. **Grading Roads:** The Road Crew will be grading various roads in Town this week. Penny Ave. will be closed while grading.

Pickup: The Pickup is still in the shop awaiting parts for a recall repair and may not be available for some time.

Rec. Area: Carson Thurber, Headmaster of Stratton Mountain School requested use of the Town's Soccer goals for use at the Golf School for the next two months. Chris Liller so moved and Greg Marcucci seconded. All concurred.

Town Hall Usage: Nancy Ferrucci asked for use of the Town Hall on September 21 for a Democratic Committee Meeting. Greg Marcucci so moved. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred.

Minutes: Chris Liller moved to approve the Selectmen's Minutes of August 23, 2021. Larry Bills seconded. All concurred and the minutes were approved.

Correspondences: Appropriations Request: Al Dupell read a request for funds for the Wardsboro Snowmobile Club. The Selectmen did not approve of this and will not include it in next year's appropriations requests. **Reapportionment:** The Selectmen discussed the upcoming redistricting and the potential of being moved into a different district, as occurred in 2011. This process will commence in the coming months.

Adjourn: Larry Bills motioned to adjourn at 8:32 p.m.. Greg Marcucci seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young