

**Town of Stratton
Selectmen's Meeting
October 26, 2015**

Present: Selectmen: Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson; Road Foreman – Ralph Staib, Mark Chapman, Account Executive for First Choice; and Clerk – Kent Young.

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

Modifications to the Agenda: No modifications were made.

Phone System: Mark Chapman of First Choice presented an estimate for a new phone system for the office. He handed out copies of an estimate of \$3872.90 for the installation of a model SL1100 phone system into the Town Office. Mr. Chapman stated that he is offering the Town an updated phone system as the current system is eight years old and technologically outdated. It will be difficult to obtain replacement parts for the old system; while a new system would offer more features as well. Mr. Chapman summarized these features. The Clerk said that the old system is working adequately and so, at this time, he felt that a new system is not needed. The Selectmen concurred. All agreed to keep First Choice in mind as an option to replace the existing system once it fails or is no longer adequate. Mr. Chapman thanked the board for their consideration and left the meeting at this time.

Road Crew Issues: Guardrails: Chris Liller and Ralph Staib discussed an estimate from Lafayette for guardrail work at \$47,319.00. The Selectmen decided not to pursue repairs / replacements this year and will ask for another estimate in the spring. **Culverts** – Ralph Staib reported that Fitzpatrick Excavating has agreed to take the old Kidder Brook culverts and will haul them away soon. **Kelley Stand Parking Lot:** The Selectmen reviewed a letter from District Ranger, David Francombe, who will attend the next Selectmen's meeting. The National Forest will repair the parking lot in the coming weeks. **Loader Plow:** Ralph Staib asked if he could purchase a plow for the loader, as previously discussed. The Selectmen asked that he check with the Treasurer to ensure that enough money was appropriated for this expenditure and if so, he can purchase it. **Town Sign Columns:** The Clerk said that Mr. Farley had given directions on how to set the columns and so they can be installed. There is no estimate for when the sign will be ready. Chris Liller reported that Dig-Safe had already verified that the site was safe to excavate. Larry Bills agreed to help set the columns next week. All concurred. **ATV Sale:** The Selectmen agreed to sell the ATV with Mattracks for \$4000.00 to Mt. Snow. A bill of sale has been drawn up and the Selectmen give Chris Liller permission to execute it.

Minutes: Greg Marcucci moved to approve the Selectmen's minutes of October 12, 2015. Larry Bills seconded the motion – all concurred and the minutes were approved.

Adjourn: Larry Bills motioned to adjourn at 8:00p.m.. Greg Marcucci seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young