

**Town of Stratton
Selectman's Meeting
August 11, 2025**

Present: Selectman: Chair – Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, and Greg Marcucci; Clerk, Kent Young; also Don Mills, Kristin Carlson and Carol Weston of Green Mountain Power Corp. arrived at 7:55pm.

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

Modifications: No modifications were made.

Road Crew Issues: Chris Liller reported on the following issues: 1) the Grant for the Styles Brook project has been approved and, after a brief discussion, Chris Liller moved that the Town appoint WRC to act as the Municipal Project Manager. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. 2) **Grout Pond Rd.:** a second FLAP grant is available. It has been suggested that the Town apply for it to cover most of the additional expenses for the Grout Pond project not covered by the previously awarded FLAP grant. The board concurred and so Chris Liller will apply for said grant as soon as possible. 3) **Town Truck (F350):** The new truck will be taken to the Viking-Chives Group this week for its modifications for plowing, etc. 4) **Paving:** Chris Liller stated that Fuller Sand and Gravel, Inc. will return most likely during the week of August 18, to complete the Canedy Rd. bridge and Penny Avenue bridge pavement projects, as well as patch paving over the recently replaced culvert on West Jamaica Rd.. 5) **Personnel:** Chris Liller said that Tim Bills has returned to work as of last week. Scott Marquis currently is filling in for Mark Ellison at the Transfer Station and Chris Liller will go on his vacation during the week of August 16 through 25. 6) **Tree-trimming:** Chris Liller reported that Green Mountain Power has hired out said service and that currently, tree-trimming is being performed along Mountain Rd. in anticipation of their pole replacement project. 7) **Excavator:** Chris Liller said that he will take the excavator to the dealer in Concord, NH for some needed maintenance. 8) **Garage Access Gate:** The gate-operator is not working correctly. Chris Liller said that the technician at Springfield Fence is retiring and so he would like to look for another company to service the gate. The Selectmen concurred.

Listers' Error and Omissions: The Listers had submitted an Errors and Omissions stipulation to the Grand List to change the value of property owned by Kevin and Dana Ladd for the construction of an additional structure on their lot (Parcel ID 1200038). This increases the total assessment of the property from \$345,800 to \$697,100.00. Greg Marcucci moved to approve the stipulation. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred and all members present signed the Stipulation.

Town Hall: Tammy Ballantine requested use of the Town Hall on September 6, 2025 and the Wardsboro Fire Dept. request to use the Town Hall during the period of November 12 through 16, 2025 for the annual Turkey Supper. Chris Liller stated that the Fire Dept. also requests that the Town donate the turkeys needed for the event. In regard to these requests, Larry Bills moved to approve. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. The Clerk stated that there is a problem with one of the ovens. Chris Liller said that last year All-Around Appliance had serviced the ovens and he will ask them to do so again. The Selectmen concurred.

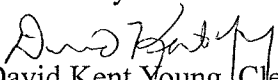
Minutes: Larry Bills motioned to approve the Selectman's minutes of July 28, 2025. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred.

Recess: The Chair asked for a motion to recess the meeting to hold the Liquor Control Board Meeting, in anticipation that the Green Mount Power representatives, who are on the agenda for this Selectmen's Meeting, will arrive soon. Greg Marcucci so moved. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred and the meeting recessed at 7:54pm.

Green Mountain Power (GMP) Project: At 7:56pm, the meeting reconvened, with GMP representatives, Don Mills, Kristin Carlson and Carol Weston, who detailed the pole replacements and underground power project in progress in this area. Currently tree-trimming on Mountain Rd. is in progress and very soon materials will be brought into town to commence said project. Initially, pole replacement will begin along said road, with a section along the property of John and Helen Nault being buried. The project will continue along West Jamaica Rd., with a portion being buried along the unpaved portion of said road as it exits into Jamaica. They also intend to replace poles along the Stratton-Arlington Rd. and then bury power up and along the entire length of Willis Cemetery Rd.. The project will continue until October 15, 2025 and then restart next Spring. A discussion of the Town's concerns was held. These concerns were included as an addendum to the Project Work Agreement and this agreement was presented by GMP to the Selectmen for their endorsement. With the Road Foreman's recommendation to approve the agreement, Greg Marcucci so moved. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred and all signed said agreement. The board also agreed that poles and related materials may be stored at the Town Garage, as long as they do not interfere with the Road Crew's normal routines.

Adjourn: Larry Bills motioned to adjourn at 8:25pm. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:


David Kent Young, Clerk