

January 6, 2016

The Saratoga Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. in the town office. Chairman Rickaby called the meeting to order. All members were present. The meeting was officially noticed.

Heeg made a motion to approve the December 16, 2015 meeting minutes. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed.

Rich Reinhart from Lamar Signs discussed the position of a sign along Nature's Way and Highway 13. The sign is within the Town's right of way. He would like to keep the sign where it is and pay the Town a yearly fee. The Board is concerned about the liability to the Town if someone were to run into the sign. He will let the Board know the remaining contract length with Solarus and the Board will decide if they will be allowed to finish before removing the sign.

Tony Berger, 830 Townline Road has a beverage license that allows selling and drinking at that location. He also has motorcycle repair and sales at the same location. According to the Department of Revenue he is not allowed to have both types of business at the same location. He stated that he does not allow beer to be sold or drunk where he is fixing or selling motorcycles. He said that the ATF investigated his location and they were fine with what he was doing. His building is not up to commercial code, but it does not have to be in order to have a beverage license. He will need to work with the Grand Rapids Fire Department to be in compliance with them. Forbes made a motion that as long as the beverages are sold and consumed in a different location than where parts are being sold he may continue to carry his beverage license. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed.

Heeg made a motion to grant the one day beverage license for the Nekoosa Fire Department. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Forbes made a motion to grant operator's licenses for Robert Lancour, Dave Rheinschmidt, James Rowe, and Roger Smith Jr. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed.

Passineau made a motion to approve the 2016 contract with Ringlemon Appraisal for a fee of \$16,000. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report. Myra and Randy Sweet spoke to the board about the John Sweet property. They would like to have until May 31th, 2016 to clean up the property. They would give the Board bi-weekly progress reports. If he does not get the property cleaned, he could be fined up to \$400/day from the issuance of the ticket.

Tim Hintz has cleaned up his property. He does have some race cars on the property that he may keep. He has used tires that he will keep orderly behind his fencing until they can be picked up.

Tom Dashner is cleaning up his property. Ken Jaecks is moving to vehicles on his Saratoga Auto property. He no longer holds a valid dealer's license. He has been notified that he needs to clean up the property and get rid of all the unlicensed vehicles. Dave will send a ticket. Marv Helke, Greeler Lane, put a concrete driveway at the way to the road. He has not filled out a driveway permit or waiver to have concrete all the way to the road. He will be notified. The junk motorhome on 59th Street is still on the property. Dave will start enforcement in the spring.

Lorelei Fuehrer gave the Building Inspector's report. There have been about 120 permits issued in 2015.

Cody Kickland received an invoice from the Town for a fire call. According to the Grand

Rapids Fire Chief it was a reckless fire. Cody has recently purchased the property and has been trying to clean it up. He had started some pallets and debris on fire too close to a garage. There were many fire trucks and fire fighters that responded to make sure the fire was contained. The Board would like to keep the billing consistent. If someone is questioning a bill, the Board can look at it on an individual basis. Forbes made a motion to lower the fire bill to \$1000. He may make payments to the Town until it is paid in full. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Passineau made a motion to adopt Ordinance 1-6-16; Ordinance to Amend Sign Ordinance 06-18-2014. It has changes to Table 2. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Billie-Jo gave the Treasurer's report. Residents in the Town purchased gifts for 25 students from the Nekoosa School. The gifts were given to the students after Christmas break.

Correspondence was read.

Frank made a motion to approve the bills paid. Forbes seconded it. Motion passed.

Frank made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk