May 15, 2019

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 on May 10, 2019.

Heeg made a motion to approve the minutes for the May 1, 2019 meeting. Forbes seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Town currently pays a \$3500 monthly retainer to Botham Ink to work with the Towns' attorney, run the Towns' facebook page and do PR for the town on an as needed basis. The Board would like to ask if the retainer could be either lowered or pay an hourly rate.

Members of the Citizens Economic Committee would like to meet to start discussing ideas for the Town. They would like to get some direction from the Town Board and input from them when they meet. The group's meetings will be noticed so a quorum of the Town Board is allowed to attend. The first meeting will be held at the Town office at 6:00 pm on May 23rd, 2019. Town of Saratoga residents that volunteered to join the committee are: Andrew Selenski, Bruck Dimick, Bill Leichtnam, Criste Greening, Sarajane Snyder, Debi Kedrowski, and Sue Savage.

Agnieszka Heldak, owner of Kimmer's Cheers & Bites, LLC – DBA AA Roadhouse, located at 784 State Highway 73 S, Nekoosa, surrendered the Class B Beer and Liquor license as of 4/30/2019.

Forbes made a motion to grant the Class B Beer and Liquor license to Brenda Sweet, owner of Dogs with Wings, LLC – DBA Roux's Roadhouse, located at 784 State Highway 73 S, Nekoosa. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Town has received complaints regarding Ample Rapids Mobile Home Park, located at 3710 State Hwy 73 South, Wisconsin Rapids, about the low hanging electric wire leading to one of the mobile homes and the poor condition of the roads within the park. The Towns' roadman said that the wire has been fixed. The Town will send a letter to the mobile home park owner informing him that the Towns' ordinance requires them to maintain the roads in the park.

The Wisconsin DOT needs the ATV/UTV ordinance to be amended regarding the section of Highway 73 from Church Avenue to the City of Nekoosa. The changes will be made to the ordinance and will be placed on the next agenda for approval.

The Board discussed the possibility of opening all town roads as routes, which are to be used only to get to businesses in the Town or to access ATV trails outside the Town. The Board will research this and discuss at a later date.

Frank made a motion to grant the operator's license for Tia Machon and Darcie Conklin. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Lorelei Fuehrer gave the Building Inspector's report. The house located at 763 Hwy 73 is owned by Fannie Mae. After the previous owner has passed away, the water was left on, and the house is now un-repairable. As long as the current owner does the upkeep on the outside of the house, the Board will not look into razing the house, since it will cost between \$10,000-\$15,000 and the land is only worth \$3,800.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer's report. There are 63 dogs left to license in the Town.

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report. Dave will check on the property at Hwy 73 and Pine Street for unlicensed vehicles and junk.

Passineau will start doing PASER road ratings in the next few weeks.

Wood County will start working on dips though out the Town. Pat Pavloski will sell sand to the Town for \$2/yard.

Frank made a motion to allow the Towns' attorney to review and comment on the Short-term rental ordinance that the Plan Commission has been working on. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Passineau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk