TOWN OF SARATOGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, September 7th, 2022

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Town of Saratoga Board Room

PRESENT: Bill Leichtnam, Josh McDonald, Gail Kretschmer, Rhonda Carrell, Roger Wilcox

This meeting was officially noticed on September 2, 2022.

Chairman Carrell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Residents expressed concern regarding properties being land locked on Kester Road during public comment.

No constable report provided.

The Building Inspector provided a written report.

Corey Peck provided the Wood County Solar Project update. The construction is almost complete. They are producing around 100 megawatts of power. They are anticipating to turn this over for final commission around the end of October.

Kasten Kester provided the Road Crew Update. The mowing on the West side is complete. The mowing was started this week on the East side.

Gail Kretschmer provided the SPARKS Committee update. The next meeting will be held on September 26th at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Board Meeting Room.

Billie-Jo Kester has the paperwork ready for the audit.

Ray Bossert provided the Zoning update. He recommends that the Town look at the language of the Fence Ordinance.

Supervisor Wilcox has been in contact with the Road Crew regarding uniforms and the Wakely bridge.

Chairman Carrell would like to have the Dog Ordinance wording reviewed.

Kretschmer has been made aware of post cards in the mail regarding the second solar project.

Supervisor McDonald has been receiving calls regarding the Wakely bridge/dam area. He will reach out to the constable. He stated that the street sign on Beppler Road is being obstructed by the view of the vegetation growing in the area. The Bike trail signs are still too close to the road. It is suggested that the sign be posted on the opposite side of the post. Supervisor McDonald and the Road Crew will be looking at the equipment owned by the town and determining if it should be sold at auction or repaired.

Motion (Kretschmer/McDonald) to approve the August 17th 4:00 p.m. closed session meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Kretschmer/Wilcox) to approve the August 17th 4:30 p.m. closed session meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Leichtnam/McDonald) to approve the August 17th 6:00 p.m. meeting minutes with corrections. Motion passed unanimously.

Business permit for Jordan Griffith 1052 Lexus Lane, Parcel #1801649 for Federal Firearms License will be tabled until the recommendation is received from the Plan Commission.

Tech Pro's provided the Town with an estimate for laptops, carrying case and mouse for Town Board members. Motion (Kretschmer/Carrell) to purchase the laptops, mouse and carrying bag for \$3275 with ARPA funding if allowed. If not, use general funds. Motion passed unanimously.

Two Road bids were received for the Asphalt Spot Repairs on 52nd Street South from Church Ave to Tower Road. The B&B Paving bid was for \$25,200. The American Asphalt bid was for \$34,080. **Motion** (Leichtnam/McDonald) to accept the B&B Paving bid for \$25,200. Motion passed unanimously.

The Road Crew will be looking into cost and items available for a uniform apparel contract. Once they determine the options that meet the required safety guidelines, the contracts will be reviewed with the board.

Supervisor Leichtnam learned of a driveway configuration reflector that can be attached to the new address tile signs that will be installed in the town. The special reflectors would alert emergency responders of the length and shape of the driveway. Leichtnam will invite Jerry Minor to a future meeting to share in greater detail.

Motion (Kretschmer/Leichtnam) to hire Mike Martin to assist with the budget preparation process for 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Kretschmer/McDonald) to approve the zoning change for Dan Inc., parcel 1800135C and 1800135D, the NW corner of Hwy 73 and Bainbridge Trail from Manufactured Home District to Residential Suburban District. Motion passed unanimously.

A business permit was received for Dan Inc. c/o Nick and Debbi Segina at 9536 Bainbridge Trail. Ray Bossert will reach out to Mr. Segina for additional information, which will be shared with the Plan Commission.

Motion (McDonald/Wilcox) to approve the sign permit for Grumpy's Garage 10720 State Highway 13S. Motion passed unanimously.

The sign and business permit should be updated to reflect the Zoning Classification, as well as an area to show the approval steps needed in the process.

Motion (McDonald/Leichtnam) to approve operator's licenses for Kyra Sturm and William Gunther. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (McDonald/Wilcox) to approve CSM for Argil Jackson c/o Geneva Rapp parcel #1800159 at 8950 STH 13 S. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Kretschmer/McDonald) to pay bills. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Saratoga Town Board meeting will be Wednesday September 21st at 6:00 p.m. The internal audit was completed.

Motion (McDonald/Wilcox) to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Paulette Weinfurter, Clerk