

TOWN OF SARATOGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday October 4th, 2023

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Saratoga Town Hall

PRESENT: Lorelei Fuehrer, Chase Brockman, Roger Wilcox, Bryan Peterson, Josh McDonald

This meeting was officially noticed on September 28th, 2023.

Lorelei Fuehrer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Josh Volz gave the Building Inspector's report.

Brandon Burroughs gave the Constable's report.

Rose M Rose gave the Zoning Administrator's report. She is currently working on the draft Camper Ordinance.

Josh McDonald gave the Plan Commission update. They are working on the Mobile Home Ordinance and have been working on the Zoning Ordinance.

Paulette Weinfurter gave the Clerk's report. She has been busy working on the template for the upcoming budget.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer's report. She is starting to prepare for the tax collection season as well as offering any additional assistance she can with the budget preparation.

Residents were present to discuss the living conditions for the residence on Pine Street. The residents gave an overview of the property as well as their observations. This case will be turned over to the appropriate department at the County for assistance.

Mark Kane was representing the Town of Rome Fire Department. They have a new contract for the Town of Saratoga. The terms and rates of the contract remain the same as the previous contract.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the contract for the Town of Rome Fire Contract. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Wilcox has been working with CWPP to find funding opportunities for fire prevention. He has also been in contact with Alliant Energy regarding a sign for the Town of Saratoga.

Motion (Brockman/Wilcox) to approve the minutes for September 20th, 2023. Motion carries.

Motion (Peterson/Wilcox) to approve the Resolution 10-4-2023 for discontinuing an undeveloped portion of mill avenue . Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to approve the Concrete waiver for Dirk and Mary Haessly, Parcel #1801688 at 1111 Natures Way. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the business permit for Kunes RV at 8410 State Hwy 13 S. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the fire and ambulance loan for \$369,736.49 for 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

The draft of the Zoning Ordinance was posted for everyone to review. No feedback was rendered. Chairman Fuehrer had the attorney review the document as well. It was suggested that additional information be added for the non-conforming structures as well as information on crypto mining. Currently, the Plan Commission is working on a land division ordinance so we would fall under the guidelines of the County until that is completed. **Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to adopt the Zoning Ordinance as stands with the non-conforming lot verbiage added. Peterson-aye, McDonald-aye, Wilcox- aye, Brockman- aye, Fuehrer-nay. Motion carries.**

Billie-Jo Kester has been doing research on Long- and Short-Term disability. The search has been difficult since we only have a small number of people that would be participating. Additional research will be done, and we will re-visit at a later date.

No Operator's License to approve.

PUBLIC IMPUT:

Dale Jensen expressed gratitude for having the Ordinances updated. Bruck Dimick would like to have the public alerted when the County goes to vote on our Zoning Ordinance. Karl Greenway had questions on the new garbage containers that will be distributed later this year.

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

The next Town Board meeting will be October 18th at 6:00 p.m.

Motion (Wilcox/Peterson) to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Paulette Weinfurter-Clerk