

TOWN OF SARATOGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, April 15th, 2025

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Saratoga Town Office

PRESENT: Josh McDonald, Karl Greeneway, Lorelei Fuehrer, Bryan Peterson, Chase Brockman

This Town Board meeting was officially noticed on April 10th, 2025.

Lorelei Fuehrer called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Brandon Burroughs provided the Constable's report.

Josh Volz provided a written Building Inspector's report.

Lorelei Fuehrer provided the Zoning Administrator report. She is working on updating the Zoning Ordinance for typographical errors and any clarifications, then will send to the County to review.

Doug Passineau provided the Road Crew update. The wings have been removed off the trucks. They have started patching roads, sweeping intersections, grading roads, and sign repairs. He will assist in the summer roadwork bid process.

Josh McDonald provided the Plan Commission update. They have finished the Zoning Ordinance review. They will be meeting with Keller on May 1, 2025, at 5:30 to continue with the discussions on the town buildings. Lorelei expressed thanks and gratitude for Terry Rickaby for the years of service he provided to the Town of Saratoga as previous Chairman and Plan Commission member.

Paulette Weinfurter provided the Clerk's update. Information is not posted for the Electronics and Bulk drop off event. Information was sent to each employee for the payroll stub to be emailed instead of mailed.

Billie-Jo Kester provided the Treasurer's update. The late dog license letters will be mailed. Approximately 115 letters will be mailed.

Updates from Board Members:

Supervisor Greeneway received an inquiry about utility work that will be happening on Kester Road. No permit has been applied for yet. Per Doug Passineau, they would need to follow where the power poles are now-which is the correct spot for them to be placed in the right of way.

Motion (Greeneway/Peterson) to approve the minutes for March 26th at 5:30 p.m. Closed session. Motion passed unanimously. Brockman abstained.

Motion (McDonald/Peterson) to approve the minutes for March 26th at 6:00 p.m. regular board meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Brockman abstained.

The Grand Rapids Fire Department shared the annual report at the Annual meeting.

Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to approve the Certified Survey Map for parcel #1800249A. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion regarding Short Term Rental application for Mike and Wendy Hack. They also have a room above the garage, but this is not included in the short-term rental. **Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the Short-term rental for Mike and Wendy Hack at 11306 County Road Z. Motion passed unanimously. Parcel #1800842B**

Motion (McDonald/Greeneway) to pay both the Wisconsin Town's Association Dues and Town Advocacy Counsel dues for 2025-2026. Motion passed unanimously. Brockman abstained.

Discussion with Kathy Palm from the Saratoga EMS and the increase requested for fire and EMS calls. **Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to increase EMS pay to \$20/hr. for Fire Calls, \$20 per EMS call, and \$20/hr. for training-up to 2 hours per month. Motion passed unanimously.**

Saratoga EMS is looking at replacing radios. They are very old and parts cannot be fixed or repaired. They are currently doing research to see what options are available.

Quotes were received for the Brush site for a shelter. Currently, nothing is present for the employee to be out of the elements. **Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to go with the shed from Saratoga Sheds for \$4155.77. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

During the next meeting, we would like to review bids for chipseal and crack filling as well as paving. The next town Board meeting will be Wednesday, May 21st at 6:00 p.m. Keller will be meeting with the Plan Commission on Thursday May 1 at 5:30 p.m.

Motion (Brockman/Peterson) to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Paulette Weinfurter-Clerk