

## TOWN OF SARATOGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Wednesday, December 17, 2025

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Saratoga Town Office

**PRESENT:** Karl Greeneway, Lorelei Fuehrer, Chase Brockman, Josh McDonald

**EXCUSED:** Bryan Peterson

This Town Board meeting was officially noticed on December 12, 2025.

Lorelei Fuehrer called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Emily Nolan-Plutchak stopped in to introduce herself as she will be running for Wood County Circuit Court Judge in April.

Before Public Comment, Lorelei Fuehrer read a statement to clear up confusion residents had regarding the JDA for Saratoga Solar. Several residents expressed questions and concerns during the Public Comment period. Each citizen was able to speak for 3 minutes if desired.

Brandon Burroughs provided a written Constable's report.

No Building Inspector report available at the time of the meeting.

Lorelei Fuehrer, the Interim Zoning Administrators report. She has been working with the Plan Commission on the Driveway Ordinance, and Operations Ordinance. Also received a request for a billboard sign.

Kasten Kester provided the Road Crew Update. They are going to need to do some repairs on the 2003 truck, the box seal is leaking. Wood County Highway department is going tree trimming on County Hwy Z. They are awaiting the arrival of the new truck, tentatively in January.

Josh McDonald provided the Plan Commission Update. Upcoming on the agenda for tonight is the CSM and the Driveway Ordinance. They are working on a draft operations ordinance and have created an ad-hoc committee to work on updating the town's recreation plan. He received compliments on plowing as well as addressed concerns with plowing.

Paulette Weinfurter provided the Clerk's update. Just a reminder for residents for the placement of the garbage cans. Please try to keep the cans off the road. The recommended placement is 3 ft off the road and 3 feet between each of the cans.

Billie-Jo Kester has been busy with tax collection and dog license renewals. They Saratoga EMS also received a donation of \$3800 with the remaining balance coming in January from Invenergy for the purchase of new radios.

Supervisor Brockman received questions on Saratoga Solar as well as questions from logging companies.

**Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to approve the Wednesday, November 19, 2025, regular board meeting minutes.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

Discussion started on creating a Town Hall usage policy. Advice was obtained from legal counsel and that will be used to create a one to use going forward. **Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to approve the use of the town hall for a celebration of life by Saratoga EMS and waive any cleaning fees for long as Saratoga EMS cleans the facility after use. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to approve the final plat for Saratoga Commons Subdivision, Parcel #1800153 and #1800153AA. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion (Greeneway/Brockman) to approve the Driveway Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the Class B Beer and Liquor Provisional license for The Outpost Ranch. Motion carries. Greeneway abstained.**

Discussion on the current wage for the Plan Commission. **Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to match the town board per diem structure and allow the Plan Commission to take \$30 materials per diem to start January 1, 2026, with the attendance of a meeting. Motion carries. McDonald abstained.** If the boards per diem goes up, the Plan Commission will follow suit.

**Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to approve the list of Election Workers for 2026-2027. Motion passed unanimously.**

The Poll workers are as follows: Marie Drexler, Sandra Sweeney, Steven Kingsfield, Roberta Stewart, Sandy Keough, Susan Gamroth, Linda Weinfurter, Darlene Back, Betty Pearson, Lauri Pappenfus, Karlyn Ceplina, Margaret (Peg) Skerven, Kim Passineau, Suzan Smith-Davis, Tina Frummel, Arleen Lobner, Janet Forton, Eric Forton, Bonita Moore, David Lobner, Paulette Sullivan, Jessica Allen, Sally Fait, John Kinzel, Christine Kinzel, Charlene Bjerk, Kristina Carlin, Bonnie Lafleur, Jeff Jelinek, James Krzykowski, Cynthia Erickson, Deb Totzke, Carol Schultz, Gail Anderson, Dave Wilkinson, Paula Klevene, Susan Brundidge, Patricia Foley, Diane Renner, Michael Cepak, Jaqueline Keelor, Loren La Rosa, Karen Pimentel, Melva Smith and Tracy Van Asten.

Updated Town Building Plans were received the Architect. The next step would be to have a contractor give a rough estimate to determine an idea of the cost. Once we have this, we can take this to the residents to see the direction they would want to go or if we move forward. **Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to take plans to get a rough estimate. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion (McDonald/Greeneway) to pay bills. Motion passed unanimously.**

Items for the next meeting will be Town Building Updates, Insurance bids, town hall usage policy.

The next town meeting will be Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.**

Paulette Weinfurter-Clerk