

August 7, 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 August 5, 2019.

Passineau made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 17, 2019 meeting. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Rickaby appointed Brody Knutson, Tom Kann, Connie Conley, Rodney Tubbs, Bernard Schoultz, Josh McDonald, Steve Kreuser, Doug Passineau, and Sue Riedel as an alternate to the Water Committee for the North East portion of the Town of Saratoga. Residents in attendance discussed different ideas for changing the direction the water flowed from Ranger Road to either County trunk U or 64th Street ditches and diverting the water flow into the Five Mile Creek. The resident along the affect area around Ranger Road are being financially impacted by either higher electric bills for constant pumping or water being in their basements and causing many issues, including mold.

The Board stated there has to be an approved plan that the Town is able to follow; the Town can't just divert the water flow. It could put water problems in other areas of the Town, and then the Town would be liable for the new problems it created. Passineau will meet with the Wood County Highway department to get elevations to see if any ditching could be done before a committee meeting would be set up.

Justin Schroeder, Young Street, requested a camper extension. He would like to have it on his property from April 15th through November 30th each year. The current ordinance only allows 5 days at a time, but a 90 day extension can be approved by the Town. Heeg made a motion to approve a 90 day extension. Frank seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Rick Bakovka notified Chairman Rickaby that he had resigned from his position as President with REGI and would not be at the meeting. The residents that were present discussed with the Board the solar array that possibly may be coming into the Town. The Town Board would like to be prepared if the project does come into the Town. The Plan Commission will look at setbacks and buffers and the Towns' attorney will be contacted to help with any preparations that the Town may need to look at doing.

Forbes made a motion to approve the business permits for:

Boone's Saloon-Ray Lowell-1139 Ranger Road

The Portage County Bank-9031 State Hwy 13 South

Stocor, LLC-David Ramsden-6640 State Hwy 13 South

Austin's Alignment and Auto Repair-Todd Austin-8051 Hwy 13 South

VanBeck Vending, LLC-Donald Waters-Wisconsin Rapids

Badger Marine-William, Carole, and Dale Cahak-715 Hwy 73 South

Greeneway Inc-Mark and Lora Ferkey-8220 State Hwy 13 South

Marcell's Specialties-Gail Marcell-8751 Hwy 13 South

Country Sports,Inc-John Montgomery, Jeff & Jason Haasl-10520 Hwy 13 South

Kent's Stone Products&Design, LLC-Tim Kent-10631 Hollywood Road

Havel Auto Service, Inc-Michael Havel-9540 State Hwy 73 South

Roux's Roadhouse 73-Brenda Sweet-784 Hwy 73 South

Critter's House LLC-Jessica Sachs-6620 Hwy 13 South

Frank seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Frank made a motion to grant the operator's licenses for Marshall Kempson. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Forbes made a motion to table the room tax ordinance. Frank seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Forbes made a motion to adopt the Short Term Ordinance; Ordinance number 8-7-19. The Ordinance is to ensure that the quality of short-term rentals operating within the Town of Saratoga is adequate for protecting public health, safety and general welfare, including establishing minimum standards of space for human occupancy and for an adequate level of maintenance; determining the responsibility of owners, operators and property managers offering

these properties for tourists or transient occupants, to protect the character and stability of all areas, especially residential areas, within the Town to provide minimum standards necessary for the health and safety of persons occupying or using buildings, structures or premises; and provision for the administration and enforcement thereof. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report. 8141 28th Street has cleaned their property. The property at 11253 County Road Z, the former Nathan Dick property, has new owners and they are in the process of cleaning.

Municipal Court-July 3, 2019:

Michael Aron-no dog license-defaulted-\$124

Ronald Ebert-nuisance ordinance-defaulted-\$124

Robert Gaupp-no dog license-defaulted-\$124

Amber Hulke-dog running loose-plead not guilty

Carter Jaecks-no dog license-\$124

Shawn Pataska-no dog license-defaulted-\$124

Mario Ponce-no dog license-defaulted-\$124

Sheldon Rendmeister-defaulted-\$124

Rod Ruder-no dog license-defaulted-\$124- dismissed-sent to wrong address

Dean Stensberg-no dog license-defaulted-\$124

Rick Stratton-no dog license-defaulted-\$124

Dennis Trickle-nuisance ordinance-plead not guilty

Municipal Trial-July 24, 2019:

Adam Flatoff-violation of nuisance ordinance 4th offense-default-\$13,661

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer's report.

Passineau stated that the culvert under 48th Street at the Five Mile Creek is in the process of being replaced by Wood County. Next year the 64th Street culvert at the Five Mile Creek will be replaced. Both of the projects fall under 50/50 bridge aid so the Town will be responsible for half the cost to replace. The 15 dips that were dug up earlier in the spring will have paving done soon. The chip seal of Church Avenue is scheduled to be finished by the end of August.

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

The Town Board audited the Town books.

Heeg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk