

September 4, 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 29, 2019.

Heeg made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections for the August 21, 2019 meeting. Forbes seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Judy Marking, 2330 Townline Road, submitted a Claim for Damages form. A neighbor dog was on her property for several days and killed five of her chickens. The owner of the neighbor dog was identified and issued a citation for a dog running at large. After discussion, Heeg made a motion to approve the claim for five chickens at \$20 each for a total of \$100. Forbes seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The Claim will be forwarded to Wood County.

Jason Joling from the Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department presented the American Heart Association's Mission Lifeline Silver Award to the Saratoga EMS Department. There were only 12 of these awards in the entire state. It is an award of achievement for recognizing patients who are having a cardiac event. Obtaining a 12 lead EKG within the first 7 minutes and getting the patient to a cath lab within 90 minutes.

Passineau made a motion to adopt Ordinance 9-4-19; ATV/UTV Route Ordinance. The ordinance allows ATV/UTV travel on all Town roads, except for Townline Road, within the Town of Saratoga. Golf carts are not considered an ATV/UTV. Frank seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. Legally signs will have to be posted before travel is allowed on all roads. The ATV/UTV Club is having a fundraiser on September 14th, and the signs for opening all the roads won't be posted by then. They will have to temporarily sign 2 roads that are needed for the fundraiser. The Town and the ATV/UTV Club will work on ordering and posting the permanent signs needed throughout the Town.

Forbes made a motion to approve the business permits for:

Lake Aire Supper Club- Chuck & Kathy Sedevie- 6510 State Hwy 13 S

Stay Green Sprinklers Sys LLC- James Krutza – 5821 Spruce Avenue

Wisconsin Flowgate&Culverts-John O'Day – 9511 Bainbridge Trail

Saratoga Auto and Detail – Kenneth Jaecks – 456 State Hwy 73 South

Saratoga Mini Mart – Argil Jackson – 8810 Hwy 13 South

Frank seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Barb Riley, 6421 Hwy 13 South, requested a business permit for Bargain Buy Shop where she packages things for Amazon. Frank made a motion to grant the permit. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

There was some discussion regarding the issuance of Operator's licenses when the applicant has a past record. The Board feels if the business owner or person running a business is aware of a person's past convictions and would like to hire them the Town should not stop a person from working.

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

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report.

Town Court 8-7-2019:

Eric Leverance – No dog license – default \$124

Daniel McCrossen – Violation of Nuisance Ordinance – default \$124

Nicole Vandenhuevel – No dog license – default \$124

Town Trials 8-28-2019:

Dennis Trickle – Violation of the Nuisance Ordinance – plead guilty - \$376

Amber Hulke – dog running loose, 4th offense – found guilty - \$691

Dennis Trickle was present at the meeting and requested to complete a clean-up plan. He requested to have until November 11th, 2019 to clean his property. If he has made significant progress, but still is not complete with the clean-up, the Town can issue an extension to the plan. If he doesn't show progress, he will be issued a citation with

a larger fine. He will need to remove everything on the property that is a violation of the nuisance ordinance. Wayne Gilson has cleaned his property. There is still a barn caved in on the property Dave isn't sure where that is at with the Building Inspector.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer's report. There have been 866 dogs licensed within the Town in 2019.

Dips have been paved on the 15 dips that were dug out earlier in the spring. There are a few on Spruce that will need to be re-paved.

The culvert on 48th Street at the Five Mile Creek was replaced and was paved. It may settle a bit, and may need to be touched up later on.

The culvert under Pine Ridge Trail will be replaced this year.

The Water Committee met at 5:00 P.M. today. Wood County has not done the elevations on 64th, County Trunk U, or Ranger Road yet. Once they have done this, the Town can try to determine the best course of action. Ditching Ranger Road may be one of the first things that can be done since it doesn't involve the wetlands like on 64th Street and County Trunk U. Passineau suggested replacing the culvert on 64th Street at the Five Mile Creek this year, instead of next year, to help with the water flow. It will push back other road plans, but he is hoping by doing this it will help alleviate some of the water problems for residents. Residents also suggested checking some damming that is being done by property owners along the Seven Mile. The County will be contacted to check into this to see if damming the Creek is allowed and if it may be contributing to the high-water other residents are having.

Frank received word from Joe Zurfluh, Village of Port Edwards President, that they will continue work on the proposed satellite fire station on Townline Road.

The Town has received information from Savion, a company that is working on bringing a 150 megawatt solar array into the Town of Saratoga. The Town will be putting the information that was received on the Towns' website as soon as possible. Savion plans to create a webpage for people to ask questions. Savion plans to do a community informational presentation at the Town hall on the evening of Wednesday, September 25, 2019. The exact time will be announced once the Town is notified.

Correspondences were read.

Frank made a motion to approve the bills paid. Heeg seconded it. Forbes opposed due to payment being made to Botham, Ink. Motion passed.

Passineau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk