

October 16, 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 October 10, 2019.

Heeg made a motion to approve the minutes for the October 2, 2019 meeting. Forbes seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Passineau gave a report regarding the water issue along Ranger Road. Wood County will be finishing elevations next week. The Town is not able to make new ditches or change the flow of the water. The Town will start cleaning ditches on 64th Street and install or replace culverts where needed. Steve Kreuser from Wood County Emergency Government discussed the paperwork that was submitted to the Army Corp of Engineers. He should get information from them next month.

Forbes made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-4; Amending the 2019 Budget to add money left from 2018 to the 2019 budget. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Passineau made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-5; Resolution to borrow money from Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank. The Town will borrow \$277,572 for Fire and Ambulance contracts for 2019 for one year at 2.25% interest. Frank seconded it. Heeg abstained for conflict of interest. Motion passed.

Heeg made a motion to apply for a grant through the Multimodal Local Supplement program for Rangeline Road from Seven Mile Creek to the Blue Ridge Lane. The program would reimburse the Town 90% of the cost of the project if awarded the grant. Frank seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Plan Commission gave their tentative approval a Planned Unit Development in a commercial zoning area, so the Shane Ruesch purchased the property based on this tentative approval. After researching, the Plan Commission discovered that a Planned Unit Development is not allowed in a commercial zone without zoning changes, unless the Town Board approves the variance. Shane Ruesch would like to build 4 duplexes and a large storage rental building on 4.19 parcel along Highway 13 and Evergreen Avenue. The driveway for the property would be off of Evergreen Avenue. The Plan Commission doesn't believe that development of this property would have any negative impact on the adjacent property owners. Passineau made a motion to grant the variance to Shane Ruesch for the Planned Unit Development on a Commercially Zoned parcel at the corner of Hwy 13 and Evergreen Avenue. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Passineau made a motion to accept the proposal from Collier Consulting to continue to monitor the 10 test wells within the Town at a \$25,500 for 2019-2020. The Board would like to continue monitoring the water until all land use questions are settled. Frank seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer report.

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report. Dan McCrossen, 3630 Ranger Road, has his property all cleaned up. Paul Waltenberg, 2411 Ranger Road, has his property cleaned. Ken VanStedum, 2540 Ranger Road, has quite a few vehicles on his property that are not licensed. The Board would like him to come to the next meeting to get a clean-up plan. Cody Trickle was ordered by a Wood County judge to remove all of his hound dogs from the property until he was able to build them a sound-proof building. He still has the dogs on his property and is in contempt of court. He has trial on October 23rd. Dave will check the old buses at the corner of County Road Z, Hollywood, and Hillcrest.

The Saratoga ATV/UTV Club would like to purchase the signs in order to get all Town roads open as

ATV/UTV Routes. The Club and Town roadman will work together to get the right number of signs ordered, the Club will pay for the signs and any posts that are needed. The Town will ensure that they are put up in the right locations as to be in compliance with signing laws.

Bob Kundert would like to do a fundraiser in the spring for the Saratoga EMS. They would like to send a letter out to every resident informing them of the importance of getting a new fire flag number installed. It helps the responders get to the correct location in an emergency when every second counts. If a resident would like to donate to the Saratoga EMS, they could do so in addition to getting a new sign.

Correspondences were read.

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

The Board worked on the budget for 2020.

Frank made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk