

July 15, 2020

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 July 13, 2020.

Heeg made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 Town Board meeting. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Brody Knutson discussed his concerns about water in the ditch around 64<sup>th</sup> and Ahles Avenue. He would like around 900 feet of the ditch on 64<sup>th</sup> Street north of Ahles avenue to be dug down about a foot. He feels that will help the water flow and not puddle in the ditch. Passineau will check with the County to see if the extra ditching would be necessary. Wood County has already done the elevation study and work in the ditch to allow the water to flow. If the water table is high, lowering the ditches would not help the situation.

The following licenses were requested through June 30, 2021. Operator's licenses for Sara Cherney, Julia Brehm, and Lynn Winters. Heeg made a motion to grant licenses. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

McDonald made a motion to adopt Ordinance 7-15-20; Ordinance to Amend Sign Ordinance 06-18-2014. The amendment clarified Section 2.4, Area of Sign. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondences were read.

Seven dips have been done this summer; there are eight more on 52<sup>nd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 64<sup>th</sup> Street that will be done.

McDonald stated that the Plan Commission did not recommend the amendment to the zoning ordinance that would allow splitting parcels with two dwellings on them, if they were in existence before May 4, 2016. They would like more information regarding the parcels in question and if there were separate approved septic systems.

The Board would like to see plans of what the Plan Commission is working on for the blue water landing off of Wakely Road.

Carrell has spoken to a representative from Alliant Energy and waiting for a call back regarding spraying that they had down within the right of way. She would like to see tree trimming done instead of spraying.

Carrell spoke to the Wood County Highway Committee regarding spraying that was done on County Road Z within the right of way. She will be meeting the Highway Commissioner to discuss having trimming instead of spraying down along the right of ways.

Assessment revaluation letters will be sent out. The Revaluation will be done this fall into the spring of 2021. They will be taking pictures of exteriors and getting as much information without entering the home due to Covid. If they need to view the interior of the house because of work that has been done, a letter will be sent to the home owner.

Passineau will check with the DOT regarding the semi that is being used a sign across from Tritz's on Highway 13. The sign is in violation of the Town's Sign Ordinance.

Todd Havel has received a letter from the Constable regarding things that are in violation of the nuisance ordinance on his property. He stated he has 13 blue drums that he uses for extra garbage and a few roll of fencing on his property. Constable Burroughs is not at the meeting, so the Board does not have all the information. Todd took pictures which will be forwarded to Constable Burroughs and he will contact him regarding what needs to be cleaned up.

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

Passineau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk