

October 7, 2020

The Saratoga Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. in the town office. Chairman Rickaby called the meeting to order. Heeg was absent. The meeting was officially noticed on October 2, 2020.

Carrell made a motion to approve the minutes for September 14, September 16, September 21, and September 28th, 2020 Town Board meeting. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the Solar Generating Facility Developer Agreement with the Wood County Solar Project, LLC. The Town's attorney, Larry Konopacki, was present by phone. There was some discussion regarding water testing in the area of the solar array. Per the developer's agreement, Wood County Solar agreed to water testing; one baseline, one during construction and 1 each year for 5 years during operation. If the Town would like more testing, we would be responsible for those costs. Passineau made a motion to adopt the Solar Generating Facility Developer Agreement with Wood County Solar Project, LLC. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Carrell made a motion to approve the Letter of Engagement with Botham Ink. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Passineau made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-1; Amending the 2020 budget. It transferred money left from the 2019 budget into the 2020 budget. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Wisconsin DOT was contacted about a missing no engine braking sign at the corner of County Trunk U and Highway 73. McDonald made a motion to contact Wood County Highway Department to put the sign up so that it is put in the correct location on the State Highway. The Town will be responsible for the maintenance cost of the sign. The Town will check with Wood County Sheriff's Department to work on enforcement once the sign is in place. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Carrell made a motion to sign an agreement with UW-Extension for Clean Sweep 2021. The Town of Saratoga has worked with UW-Extension every other year for the project. There is no cost to the Town to host. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Michel Havel, 9520 N Young Street, and a neighbor purchased tax deeded parcels of land from Wood County adjacent to their properties. In order to have access to the properties the neighbors agreed to split the properties differently. One parcel was added to neighbor's current parcel. Havel's could not be combined to his property since there would then be two dwellings on one parcel; which is against Town's Ordinance. The original parcel was under one acre and the proposed split would also make the parcel under one acre. Passineau made a motion to approve the Certified Survey Map for Michael Havel. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Hidden Chapel Subdivision Plat will need to go to Plan Commission first. It will be added to the next regular agenda.

The Board discussed creating a part-time Road Supervisor position. The Supervisor would help train the new road person. It should take about six months. McDonald made a motion to create the Road Supervisor position to not be paid more than \$5,000 a year. Carrell seconded it. Passineau abstained do to conflict of interest. Motion passed.

The following licenses were requested through June 30, 2021.

Operator's licenses for Jamie Carney

McDonald made a motion to grant licenses. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Brandon Burroughs gave the Constable report.

Citation were issued to

Sandra Olsen, 1450 State Hwy 73 S-violation of junk ordinance (1st offense)

Amber Hulke, 10650 S Young Street-dog at large (5th offense)

There was a complaint of a lot of semi's using Evergreen Avenue, which is a class B road. Brandon will check on it.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer report.

Lorelei Fuhrer gave the Building Inspector report.

Lorelei will be retiring from Inspecting on July 1, 2021. She would like the Town to start looking for her replacement. The Town will need to put an ad out for the position. Lorelei stated the Town should ask interested parties 1. How fast they can do inspections. 2. What the cost is to the Town. 3. Are there going to be extra charges to the residents if re-inspections need to be done.

Lorelei would consider remaining the Towns' Zoning Administrator after her retirement from Building Inspector.

The dead end sign on Hasa Lane was discussed. The Board members will check the sign placement to see if it should be moved.

There was some concern over the request for zoning change for John Chrystal's property. Since the DOT rarely gives out driveway permits, access to the property would have to come off of Blue Ridge. There was also concern about a historical headstone on the property. The hearing for the zoning change will be held at the Plan Commission meeting on October 14th at 6:30 PM.

The flashing stop sign at the corner of Highway 13 and Townline Road is not working. The Town will check with the DOT to see how we can get it fixed.

The culverts at 64th and Ahles Avenue are by DNR design lower for wildlife to pass through. Ranger Road ditching is hopefully going to happen yet this year, but are waiting for DNR approvals

Correspondences were read.

Passineau made a motion to approve the bills paid. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Passineau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk