

November 18, 2020

A Public Hearing on the 2021 proposed budget for the Town of Saratoga was held at 6:00 p.m. in the town office. Chairman Rickaby called the meeting to order. The meeting was officially noticed November 3, 2020. Four town residents were in attendance.

Chairman Rickaby explained the proposed budget. After discussing the budget, Patty Heeg made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Joshua McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Rickaby called the Special Meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Danny Forbes made a motion to accept the 2020 local tax levy stated in the proposed budget. Wayne Coon seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The local tax levy is set at \$687,375 - \$2.16 per thousand of assessed value.

Wages for the elected officials were discussed. The Chairman and two Supervisor positions are up for election in April 2021. Danny Forbes made a motion to increase the 3 positions by \$50/month beginning April 2021 for the two year term. Wayne Coon seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Wayne Coon made a motion to increase the wages for the Constable, Clerk, and Treasurer positions by \$2,000 beginning April 2021. Danny Forbes seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Douglas Passineau made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting. Patty Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Regular Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Rickaby at 6:15 p.m.

Rhonda Carrell made a motion to adopt the 2021 proposed budget. Joshua McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Heeg made a motion to approve the November 4, 2020 meeting minutes with corrections. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

McDonald made a motion to grant the business permit for Tanya McGill for Blessings Holistic Spa located at 8751 State Highway 13 S, Wisconsin Rapids. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

McDonald made a motion to approve the quote from Dirty Ducts Cleaning & Environmental Inc. for \$5,785 to remove the asbestos tiles from the First Responders offices in the Town Hall. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The following licenses were requested through June 30, 2021.

Operator's licenses for Skyler Goehring and Karen Kalata.

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

The Board reviewed the Certified Survey Map for Dennis Rogers property at the corner of Church Avenue and 24th Street. The CSM is splitting a parcel that is smaller than one acre; creating 2 lots, each with a dwelling. The Plan Commission reviewed an updated CSM; which moved the split line. It added .03 to one lot and took .03 to the other lot, but did not denote the septic system location for lot 1. Matt Alft has drawn a map indicating the location of the systems. Passineau made a motion to deny the CSM. The septic systems will need to be noted on both lot 1 and lot 2. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Heeg made a motion to approve the Certified Survey Map for Quality Control Solutions, LLC located along Rangeline Road and Highway 73 S. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Passineau has spoken to Kevin Garrigan with the State. He said they will allow the County to continue to push back snowbanks within the right-of-way of the intersections of State Highways and Town roads just as they have done in the past when they become a vision hazard. Carrell will follow-up with calls she has received regarding the corner of Highway 13 and Pixler Court.

Brandon Burroughs gave the Constable's report. Barry Pio was found guilty of violation of Fence Ordinance. He is required to pay \$100 fine plus court costs. Judge Potter is giving the ruling for Arnold Strangfeld on Monday, November 23rd.

Correspondence was read.

Passineau stated the brushing and stumps for Nepco lake access and at the end of Wakely Road has been completed. Gravel will be moved to the end of Wakely starting tomorrow.

The Town has been waiting for the DNR permitting to begin ditching on Ranger Road. Since it is so late in the year, the work will be moved to 2021.

Land was sold by Red Green Ort at an auction in 2019. The land sold was landlocked. The new owners were able to access it through fire lanes coming off of Rangeline Road. Once the solar project is constructed, they will no longer have that access. The solar company has had contact with the Towns' attorney to give access to the new property owner through the old town landfill. The information will be brought to the next meeting.

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

McDonald made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski
Town Clerk