

May 5, 2021

The Saratoga Town Board met at 6:00 pm in the town hall. Chairman Rickaby called the meeting to order. All members were present. The meeting was officially noticed on April 30, 2021.

Carrell made a motion to approve the minutes for the April 21, 2021 meeting. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed a Road Project Manager position. Doug Passineau has been filling out grant paperwork, writing bids notices, and working with contractors for many years. He has also been the Towns' backup driver when needed. In the position he would continue the same work. The job would be on an as needed basis. After some discussion, McDonald made a motion to hire Doug Passineau as Road Project Oversight Manager at the second roadman wage. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the use of a Town logo that was done at no cost through the Plan Commission a few years ago. McDonald will check on getting a written confirmation that the town may use the logo as needed and getting the file so it could be applied and used when needed. Carrell and Krestchmer suggested the Town look at changing the logo into incorporating the residential, recreational, streams, or river instead of the deer that is currently on it. The company has stated that if the Town would like design changes, there will be a fee associated with that. McDonald will do further checking. The item was tabled.

Leichtnam presented and explained proposed changes to the Towns' agenda format. They will be incorporated on the next Town Board agenda.

Leichtnam discussed the "9 Tools of Civility". It states that the Board and public will respect each other and relate to each other in a civil manner. Leichtnam made a motion to adopt the "9 Tools of Civility". Krestchmer seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Carrell made a motion to grant the operator's license for Brittani Schwartzman, Mariah Savoy, and Bradley Weber. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Brandon Burroughs gave the Constable's report.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer's report. There are still 70 dogs that need to be licensed. They will start sending out non-compliance letters from the Constable beginning in June.

Emails will be set up through Town for each Board member so they can keep their personal and Town emails separate.

Jim LaVasseur with Burns McDonnell, stated they got their road survey completed last week. They will do another survey after logging has been completed and then another survey after all work has been done. They will pay for any damage that has been done to the Town roads. He has some sapling trees that he is trying to work with the DNR to get relocated. There will be wood chips available soon. He said he would be willing to truck a whole truck load to someone in the Town if they would like it. He is also going to check with surrounding municipalities if they would be interested in some. They are not able to let people come pick up chips from their site because of the liability.

Jim stated there are a few people within Burns McDonnell that would be able to work with the Town to see if there are any projects that they could help with different projects or fundraising.

Leichtnam discussed grant money that will be available through the Wood County CEED Committee for economic development.

Carrell stated that she has spoken with Kim from Wood County Solar Project. She said she would have an update for the Town within a few weeks. There have been some questions as to whether a second solar array is being looked at being placed within the Town.

Carrell made a motion to pay bills. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

McDonald made a motion to adjourn. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Heidi Kawleski, Clerk