

July 7, 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 July 1<sup>st</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Public Comment - Mike Kostyn has been having problems with noisy ATV/UTV's speeding by and children riding them illegally in front of his house. He would like the Board to add to a future agenda the discussion of closing the ATV/UTV route on Ranger Road from 36<sup>th</sup> Street to 52<sup>nd</sup> Street.

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

McDonald made a motion to approve the minutes from June 16, 2021 with corrections. Leichtnam seconded it. Kretschmer abstained due to not being present at the meeting. Motion passed.

Mike Braley-Alliant Site Manager and Matt Staley-Assistant Engineer for Burns McDonnell discussed an amendment to the Joint Developer's Agreement. The agreement currently allows either 1 - 100 gallon/minute or 2 - 50 gallon/minute capacity wells during construction. They would like to amend the agreement to allow them to have 1- 350 gallon/minute well. It would allow them to control dust, mitigate wind erosion, cleaning streets, non-potable water for use in their facilities, and help them have enough water to compact the dirt onsite. The DNR has approved the well. The installation of the well, it would reduce the traffic on Town roads. They currently have to fill their water trucks off site and transport it back to the solar project site, which is 18 miles roundtrip. The well would only be used during construction and would be removed once the construction was complete and the solar array was operational. Carrell made a motion to approve the alteration to the developer's agreement as long as it is added that the well will be removed after construction is complete; the written amendment would need to be submitted to the Town and reviewed by the Towns' legal team. Kretschmer seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

There have been some issues with the road conditions on Blue Ridge Lane. If there are areas of the road that are in rough shape, the solar company or residents can let the Town know so patching can be done. The Town will work with them to install 35 mph signs for Blue Ridge Lane where there is solar truck traffic.

When residents request wood chips, the company won't deliver to properties where trucks could damage their driveways. There will be wood chips available at the Towns' brush site for people to pick them up.

SPARKS Report- they are working on submitting a grant to the Wood County CEED Committee.

Treasurer Report- Audit will be August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Bids were received from Fahrner Asphalt and Scott Construction for chip sealing roads within the Town. Fahrner's bid was for \$105,524 with all options and Scott Construction's bid was \$129,871 with all options. The Town would like to review both bids with the Towns' Road Project Oversight Manager before making a decision. The action was tabled and will be added to the next Town Board meeting.

Bids were opened and reviewed for insulating the Town hall. Two bids were received; one for \$78,800 from Altmann Construction and one for \$89,600 from Ruesch Drywall. The Board discussed the possibility of adding a large meeting room onto the Town office instead of

insulating the Town hall. The bids were tabled until the town can investigate. Chairman Rickaby and Lorelei Fuehrer will look into this further.

McDonald made a motion to approve the concrete waiver for Danna and Alan Campbell, 705 Blue Ridge Lane. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

McDonald made a motion to approve the concrete waiver for Stephen and Barbara Heinrich, 14241 Love Road. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Carrell made a motion to grant a 60 day extension to Shawn Pankratz for two storage containers located at Lake County RV. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

McDonald made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-6; Amending the 2021 Budget. \$681,250 will be added to the Revenues; transferred from previous year and unexpected revenue. \$681,250 will be added to the Expenses; to be used for Public Safety and Public Works. Kretschmer seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed a quote from Comfortaire to replace the 1995 air conditioner that is used in the Town hall kitchen, First Responders room, and bathrooms. The quote was for two different air conditioners; \$3,790 for a Bryant unit and \$3,420 for a Payne unit. The Board would like to check the furnace unit to see if it would also need to be replaced. The quote was tabled to the next Town Board meeting.

The Board reviewed a quote from Northwoods Windows that would replace 3 windows in the First Responders room. Kretschmer made a motion to approve the quote for three side sliding windows and installation at a cost of \$2,985. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the Town Zoning Administrator position. The Zoning Administrator is an advisor for the Plan Commission and helps guide people through the process. The new Building Inspector is not interested in the position at this time. Lorelei Fuehrer would be willing to stay on as the Zoning Administrator as a contractor for 6 months. McDonald made a motion to hire Lorelei Fuehrer as the Towns' Zoning Administrator for a period of 6 months at \$50/month and 80% of any additional permitting that is submitted to the Town; to be paid once invoiced at the end of the 6 months. If Lorelei or the Town would like to terminate the contract, there would be a 30 day written notice by either party. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Carrell made a motion to grant the operator's licenses good through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for: John Wilke, Wayne Nichols, Richard Rawson, William Nieman, Timothy Ward, Wayne Vandeberg, Thomas Sorenson, Glen Carlson, Bruce Rosenthal, Jodi Scanlan, Glen Arnold, and Allen Witt. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

McDonald made a motion to grant the mobile home park license for Five Skies Mobile Home Park. Kretschmer seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. The Town Constable will follow up to make sure their park is cleaned up.

The Board tabled the discussion of how to use the remaining money the Town received from the MFL withdrawal until the next Town Board meeting.

Dennis Lawrence from NCWRPC is scheduled to meet with the Town Board to discuss possible economic development within the Town. The meeting will be moved to a different night than the regular Town Board meeting.

Kretschmer will be submitting grant application paperwork to the Wood County CEED Committee.

McDonald made a motion to adjourn. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:44 pm.

Heidi Kawleski, Clerk