

March 16, 2022

The Saratoga Town Board met at 6:00 pm in the Town Board Room. Chairman Rickaby called the meeting to order. All members were present. The meeting was officially noticed on March 10, 2022.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment.

Several residents from Hickory Shade Mobile Home park stated that they are having issues within the park; including garbage pick-up and the condition of several mobile homes within the park. They will get more information to the Town.

Brandon Burroughs submitted the Constable's report. He issued a citation to Robert Steckbauer for violation of the Driveway Ordinance.

Raymond Bossert gave the Zoning Administrator report and submitted a monthly update on actions. Ray reviewed and submitted his analysis on Certified Survey Maps that have been submitted for Hintz, Fink, Ruesch, Baker, and Pisula. Raymond is gathering more information for Allan Wondzell's re-zoning request; he will bring it to the April Town Board meeting. He is working on an updated Future Land Use Map, and a digital mapping product with Wood County on the Town Zoning; and he is also working on creating a information sheet for easy interpretation of Saratoga Zoning rules. He will bring these items to the Planning Commission for review.

Andy Remely gave the Wood County Solar report. They are working on the substation. The poles for the transmission line have been erected and they will be pulling cable on them. The Town would like the keys to the cameras along the fence at the old landfill in order to place them where they are most useful.

Kasten Kester gave the Roadman report. Road weight limits have been posted due to the spring thaw. They will be patching roads.

Rhonda Carrell stated the next SPARKS Committee meeting will be on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 P.M.

Josh McDonald gave the Plan Commission report. He stated that he was contacted by a business regarding placement of a sign on Highway 13. The Plan Commission is working on updating the Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map, including potential greenspace areas.

Heidi Kawleski gave the Clerk's report. Board members requested information about getting business cards. For 250 cards, prices start at \$15 from Staples and \$50 from Quality Plus Printing.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer's report. Tax collection is complete. Dog licenses are due March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Board members gave informational announcements.

Leichtnam stated that a broadband project that is coming into the Town would affect between 300-500 houses. He said that the project would cost over 7.5 million dollars; of which Charter would pay 51%. He said that the County is working on a grant to help pay for the remaining 49%. He stated if the Town would kick in money, the grant would be more likely to be issued. He would also like Board members to write a letter to go along with the grant.

Leichtnam stated he spoke to Kim McGrath with Wood County regarding employee evaluations forms and that she would be willing to attend a meeting to discuss this with the Board.

Leichtnam handed out the Table of Contents of the Rules and Committees of the Wood County Board of Supervisors. He would like the Town Board to look at creating something similar for the Town. Leichtnam would like Committees and rules added to the next Town Board agenda. Leichtnam stated that Ray Bossert may request some funding from the Town towards a total assessment of the water resources in the County.

Carrell stated she would like the minimum parcel size to be changed to 2-3 acres from the current 1 acre for any future land splits. She stated it may help with groundwater protection and requested it be added to the Plan Commission agenda.

Carrell made a motion to approve the minutes of March 2, 2022 meeting. Leichtnam seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Leichtnam made a motion to approve the minutes of March 7, 2022 minutes. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Andy Palm said that the intersection of 64<sup>th</sup> Street and Church Avenue currently has 2 way stop signs. He believes that the intersection dangerous and would like the Town to make it a 4 way stop sign intersection. He would also like the Town to look at cutting brush at the intersection to help with vision. The stop signs at each intersection on Town roads are looked at on a case by case basis. This will be placed on the next Town Board agenda.

There was a request from someone regarding placing blue bird houses along Town roads. Rickaby stated the Town cannot give authority to allow a person to place something on private property and nothing can be placed within the Town right of way beside mailboxes.

Raymond Bossert and the Plan Commission recommended approving the Certified Survey Map for Timothy Hintz. There was discussion regarding the placement of the well and septic for each parcel that was created. Each parcel created was over the one acre requirement, so there would be room to place a new septic if it was needed. Leichtnam made a motion to approve the CSM for Timothy Hintz. Carrell seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Raymond Bossert and the Plan Commission recommended approving the Certified Survey Map for Jeremy Fink. Each parcel created was over the one acre requirement. Carrell made a motion to approve the CSM for Jeremy Fink. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Alliant has contacted the Town regarding adding battery storage to the Wood County Solar Project. The Town's attorney, Larry Konopacki, has contacted them to get further information.

Carrell made a motion to approve the operator's license for Jenna Kleifgen and Colleen Black. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

The discussion regarding the land subdivision ordinance was tabled until more information can be obtained from Wood County Planning and Zoning.

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

Carrell made a motion to adjourn. McDonald seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7: 45 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Clerk