

August 16, 2012

The Saratoga Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. in the town office. Chairman Rickaby called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. All members were present. The meeting was officially noticed.

Approximately 75 people were in attendance.

Chairman Rickaby read the Interim Zoning Ordinance to Preserve Existing Land Use within the Jurisdiction of the Town of Saratoga Pending the Completion of the Town Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of the ordinance is to preserve all existing uses of real property within the Town of Saratoga until a permanent Zoning Ordinance is enacted, provided that said Zoning Ordinance is enacted within 2 years. A person may construct an improvement or use real property if such improvement or use is consistent with land uses previously existing or previously approved by the Town Board. Any and all requests for construction of improvements or determinations as to whether an anticipated use of real property is consistent with this Interim Zoning Ordinance shall require prior review and a determination by the Town that the request is consistent with the terms and conditions of this Interim Zoning Ordinance. Any construction, improvement or use that is inconsistent with this Interim Zoning Ordinance is strictly prohibited.

The public was able to comment on the ordinance, and ask questions.

Daniel Schmeekle, an attorney for the Wysocki's read a letter from Jordan Hemaidan at Michael Best and Friedrich.

Chairman Rickaby stated the health, safety, and general welfare of the Towns' citizens is the Board's number one priority.

Lance Pliml, Wood County Chairman was asked what kind of Zoning Wood County has, and he stated that there is no County Zoning. He said that the County has encouraged all Towns to adopt zoning. He did say he believes the County did complete a County Comprehensive Plan about 7 years ago.

The Comprehensive Plan the Town of Saratoga adopted about 5 years ago was mandated by the State. When it was adopted it was a plan that was enforceable by the Town. Over the years, legislation by the State has lessened the effectiveness of the Comprehensive Plan.

Passineau made a motion to postpone the adoption of the ordinance until the Board has gotten legal advice from the Towns' lawyer to clarify an issue. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed.

Heeg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk