

December 2, 2015

The Saratoga Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. in the town office. Chairman Rickaby called the meeting to order. Forbes was absent. The meeting was officially noticed.

Passineau made a motion to approve the Closed and Regular November 18, 2015 meeting minutes. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed.

Mike Hartje gave the Board a yearly report. They are going to use the Town hall for their fundraiser sportsman night on January 30, 2015. The Board will allow them to use the hall free of charge.

The Board discussed Tony Berger's business at 830 Townline Road. He has a beer license that he requested to sell beer to his friends that came into his motorcycle repair and parts shop. He has now put up a sign and is advertising on the radio that his garage is a pub. Since he is advertising to the public, he would need to have his building up to commercial code. The Town will check to see the legality of this.

Applications for the transfer of ownership of two mobile home parks were not received at the time of the meeting.

Passineau made a motion to grant the business license to Scherl Sales Corporation for The Store at 9630 Hwy 13 South, Wisconsin Rapids. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Tom Krutzik, 1641 Mill Avenue, would like the Town to vacate a section of the old Mill Road. The Town did have a lawyer look into this at Krutzik's request in 2014. A resolution was drawn up. The Town requested that the Krutzik's pay for the legal fees acquired along with the publication and recording fees to continue with the vacation. With no response, the issue was dropped. Krutzik would like to only pay for the half the legal fees to continue with the process. Passineau made a motion to have the Krutzik's pay for all the legal, publication, and recording fees associated with the vacation of the road. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Frank made a motion to approve the operator's license for Rachel Krause. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed.

Chuck Hansen, President of the Saratoga ATV Club said that he talked to the President of the State's ATV/UTV Association and he said that the club didn't need to have insurance. Each person just needed to carry their own personal insurance. They would also like to add additional roads to the current ATV/UTV ordinance as routes. The Board is very concerned about safety. The Board is requesting that we need to speak with the state coordinator for trails and routes to get all the information. The Club will contact that person and request their presence at a future meeting.

Heeg made a motion to adopt Ordinance 12-2-15A; Ordinance Defining and Prohibiting Public Nuisances. This Ordinance replaces the previous ordinance with several changes. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Heeg made a motion to adopt Ordinance 12-2-15B; Ordinance Relating to Issuance of Citations for Violations of Town Ordinances. This Ordinance replaces the previous ordinance with several changes. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

The Board reviewed several options for a Town logo. They suggested some changes and it will be placed on a future agenda.

Lorelei Fuehrer gave the Building Inspector's report. The Store was jointly inspected by herself and Mike Hartje, the Nekoosa Fire Department Chief. She said that was great to work together on the inspection. She stated that the construction rate for the State as a whole in up about 7%.

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report. He received many complaints about the condition of properties around Broadway and 59th Street. Several of the complaints were forwarded to Building Inspector since they were regarding buildings in very poor shape. A complaint about an old motor home at 13521 59th Street was received. Dave will send a letter to get it removed. At the last municipal court, Dan Holewinski pled not guilty to a violation of the nuisance ordinance. Roger Kniprath, must pay a fine of \$4,019 for violation of the nuisance ordinance for the property at the corner of Hwy 73 and Tesserville Road.

John Sweet would like the Board to give him until June 2016 to clean up his property. He has submitted clean-up plans in the past, but has not followed through with any of them. The Board would like to see some progress of a clean-up.

Complaints were received about Tim Hintz Automotive, Evergreen Auto, and John Sweet property. Letters requesting clean-up plans will be sent to each property. If the properties do not reply with a clean-up plan or fail to comply with the clean-up plan they submit to the Town, substantial fines will be imposed.

Jerry Tosch would like to have his neighbor's unusable campers removed from his property. A letter to clean up will be sent to 7430 Meadowlark Lane.

Billie-Jo gave the Treasurer's report. Tax bills should be sent out around December 12th. First day of collection will be on December 14th.

Protect Wood County will be having a meeting at the Town hall on December 7, 2015 at 6:30 PM. The public is invited to this meeting.

Correspondence was read.

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

Passineau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk