

July 18, 2012

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

Passineau made a motion to approve the July 3 and 16, 2012 minutes. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed.

Scott Bernette, Grand Rapids Fire Chief for the Town of Grand Rapids gave the first half report for 2012. He went over the training and classes that have been done and discussed the fundraiser that they just had.

Donna Jeske, 5511 Church Ave, requested a new business permit for Donna Rae's Greenhouse. It is an existing business that she just has not obtained a permit for. It has a 10 X 16 greenhouse on 7 acres. Forbes made a motion to grant the permit. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Jesse Scheid, 8141 28th Street South, would like to be able to have more than 20 tires on the ground for display in front of his business. He said that he receives a truckload full of tires and it takes a little more than one day to process them. Some he stores in his shop and some go into his truck to be taken in for garbage. He would like to have 40 for display and up to 30 in his truck that will be taken in for garbage a couple times a week. The Board is getting complaints about the tires on the property. The Board would like him to build a tire rack and paint it to have the tires off the ground and organized. He stated that he will have no tires displayed on the ground. He will need to contact Chairman Rickaby after it is built to make sure it looks presentable. If it is up to display standards the board will allow him to display up to 40 tires on display.

Richard Sable, 591 Tesserville Road, would like to keep his fence up. The fence was built within the right of way a few years ago. He checked his certified survey map and it says that the setback of the road is 25 foot. According to the fence ordinance a fence cannot be more than 2.5 feet if it is within 30 foot of the road right of way. The Board would like to keep consistency with the ordinance. After he takes down the current fence, he may construct a chain link fence one the lot line.

Great Northern Timber Company would like to get a side lot line variance. They own property in both the Village of Port Edwards and the Town of Saratoga. They would like to build up to the very edge of the Town line. Forbes made a motion to grant a zero lot line variance for lot 1 of the 11 acre parcel. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Passineau made a motion to grant operator's licenses for Dawn McKenzie, James Fedder, James Kieper, Debra Schroer, and Katelyn Zagorianakos. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed.

Frank made a motion to grant the one day license for the American Legion Post 442 for August 4, 2012. Forbes seconded it. Motion passed.

Passineau made a motion to approve the amount to be borrowed to cover the fire contracts for 2012; \$204,447. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Forbes made a motion to adopt the resolution to borrow \$204,447 from Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank. Passineau seconded it. Heeg abstained due to conflict of interest. Motion passed.

The Resolution Amending the Fee Schedule was postponed until the next meeting.

The ATV Ordinance was discussed. In order for UTV's to use the routes, the agenda has to be changed to include them. The board would like an ATV/UTV club to get started and have them maintain the signs to be used on the designated routes. Blue Ridge Lane was suggested to be added to the designated routes. Chairman Rickaby stated that he would buy 2 signs and Davy Ryun stated that he would buy the other 2 signs that would be needed to sign the road for the route. Frank made a motion to adopt Ordinance 07-18-12; ATV/UTV Ordinance. It will also add Blue Ridge Lane to the route. Forbes seconded it. Motion passed.

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report. A letter was received from the Towns' lawyer asking if the board would like to meet with Roger Kniprath regarding the junk on his property. The Board stated that they have been dealing with the junk for years and would like it to just proceed to trial.

Lorelei Fuerher gave the building inspector's report. The owner of a roofless mobile home on Deer Ridge Road has contacted Lorelei and plans to have the mobile home removed within 45 days. She is trying to contact the owner of the horse farm on Evergreen to get the mess cleaned up from the tornado last year. There is a house that has brought in on a property on Mill Avenue that already has a house on it. It is against the Building Code Ordinance restricting a parcel to only one house. Lorelei will contact the owner.

Construction on Bell Road Bridge should start this year yet. School buses will be notified. Requests for qualifications have been received for engineering on Townline Road. Qualification submissions will be forwarded to the Town of Grand Rapids and the Village of Port Edwards and a meeting will be set up to discuss the best candidates. The County is waiting to do anymore work on Young Street until the utility companies finish their work.

Correspondence was read.

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

Passineau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank seconded it. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk