

May 18, 2011

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 accept the minutes for May 4, 2011. Frank seconded it. Motion passed.

Roy Ferkey spoke with the board about a retirement community he would like to build. He would own the property and people could purchase the home. The homes would share wells and septic. The Town does have an ordinance that state there can only be 1 dwelling on a parcel. The Town could have an exception in the ordinance for Planned Unit Developments. The Town could take the care of the road over once it was up the Towns' specifications. The Board gave the preliminary plans their okay.

Roland Hawk discussed the progress on the culvert replacement for Seven Mile Creek on Rangeline Road. Jewell Associates has received construction agreements from all property owners, except two, which he should receive shortly. The Town should be able to start work the first few weeks in June. A resident on the road requested to have the speed limit to be lowered to 35 mph. The Town is not able to lower the speed limit below 45 mph. The State has to do a study on the traffic count, accidents, and deaths. The Town will request to have a study done, since there is no charge.

A fireworks ordinance was discussed by the Board. The Board is concerned about the fire hazard. They are also concerned about the person shooting the fireworks not having a high enough insurance policy, to cover a fire that might start. The benefit to the Town for allowing fireworks to be shot off does not outweigh the Towns' liability or damage that could be done. Since the Town of Saratoga is a Firewise Community the board is in consensus to not allow fireworks in the Town. The Board will have the Towns' attorney look into an ordinance or resolution that bans fireworks being bought, sold or shot off in the Town.

The house on Evergreen Avenue that has been sitting for quite sometime after there was a fire is no longer in foreclosure. The Treasurer will check with the Wood County Registrar of Deeds to see who owns the property. The house will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Board discussed the outdoor music by local bars. The Board would like to speak to the bar owners that we have received complaints about. Letters will be sent out and it will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

The Board gave Billie-Jo Kester permission to go to whatever bank that gives the Town the best interest rate.

Forbes made a motion to approve the fence permit for David Greeneway. He needs to construct the fence according the ordinance; with the good side the neighbor. Passineau seconded it. Motion passed.

Frank made a motion to approve the fence permit for Roxanne Holford. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed.

Dave Ryun gave the Constable's report. A 30 day cleanup letter was sent to 1164 Pixler Court. A ticket was sent to Jesse Scheid for junk. Don Gilson was given 30

days to clean up the property. A ticket will be sent to Dave Ramsden for Stocor; a portable storage container has been at 8540 St Hwy 13 for over 30 days.

The Town will see if there is enough money in the budget to wedge and coat 15th Street.

Billie-Jo Kester gave the Treasurer's report.

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

Correspondence was read.

Passineau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Heeg seconded it. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Heidi Kawleski, Town Clerk