

TOWN OF SARATOGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday November 15, 2023

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Saratoga Town Hall

PRESENT: Lorelei Fuehrer, Chase Brockman, Roger Wilcox, Bryan Peterson

EXCUSED: Josh McDonald

This meeting was officially noticed on November 9th, 2023.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lorelei Fuehrer called the Budget Hearing to order at 6:08 p.m. The purpose of the Special Town Meeting was called to approve the 2023 total Town Tax Levy (to be paid in 2024) pursuant to Wis. Stat. §60.10(1)(a). and Request submitted by Historic Point Basse for a donation to move the Old Town Hall on Hwy 13 S to the Wakely site. Wis. Stat. §60.10(3)b and 60.23(3). Chairman Fuehrer called for those in favor and those who opposed.

Motion (Lance VanErt/Dan Forbes) to approve the proposed budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Fuehrer asked for those to speak in favor and opposition of donating to Wakley Historic Point Basse.

Motion (Milo Banbury/Tina Krummel) for the Town of Saratoga to donate money to aide in the moving of the Old Town Hall from the property located at Hwy 13 S to Wakely Pointe Basse. 12 in favor, 1 opposed. Motion carries.

Motion (Dan Forbes/Tina Krummel) to close the Public Hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

Lorelei Fuehrer called the Town of Saratoga Board meeting to order. The Public Hearing for the discontinuance of a portion of certain public way (undeveloped portion of Mill Avenue) in the Town of Saratoga, Wood County, Wisconsin in accordance with Wis. Stat. §66.1003(4) located in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of section 16, Town 21 North, Range East.

Lengthy Discussion ensued. **Motion (Peterson/Brockman) to table Resolution No. 11-15-2023, Discontinuing an undeveloped portion of Mill Avenue pursuant to Wis. Stat. §66.1003. Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion (Brockman/Wilcox) to approve the 2024 Town of Saratoga Budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Brockman/Wilcox) to approve the November 1 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Brandon Burroughs provided the Constable's report.

No Building Inspector provided.

Lorelei Fuehrer provided an update on the Zoning and the Plan Commission. The Plan Commission is continuing to move forward with the Camping and Driveway Ordinance. The new Zoning Ordinance for the town went into effect yesterday.

Kasten Kester provided the Road Crew update. They have been continuing to work on Equipment Maintenance. Doug Passineau has some culverts that we need to look at.

Supervisor Wilcox has been working with the CWPP team on grant projects and mailings to aid in the reduction of wildfire risk in the community.

Paulette Weinfurter provided the Clerk's update. The new phone system has been installed.

Billie-Jo Kester provided the Treasurer's report. The tax letters have been printed, and the tax bills should be printed by the first week of December.

Supervisor Wilcox will be working with the Public Works Department to determine which roads will need to have trees trimmed for CWPP.

A certified survey map was received for Laura Fenander. This was filed and received under the old zoning for the town. **Motion (Brockman/Wilcox) to approve the CSM for Laura Fenander, 5341 Spruce Ave. Motion passed unanimously.**

Ben and Ashley Karbowski, 1511 State Hwy 73 S provided an update on the status of their property.

Contact was made with a company that provides Long and Short-Term disability. They were not able to have figures submitted in time for the meeting. This discussion will continue in the future.

Motion (Brockman/Peterson) to have 1 planned monthly meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of the month for December, January, February, and March. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Brockman/Peterson) to Adopt Ordinance#11-15-23 to Appoint a Designee to Issues Operator's Licenses. Motion passed unanimously.

Due to the Ordinance that passed, Operators License will be issued for April Wulf at Saratoga Mini Mart and Kyla Manning at Critters.

Motion (Brockman/Wilcox) to pay bills. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Town Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 20th.

Motion (Brockman/Wilcox) to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Paulette Weinfurter-Clerk