TOWN OF SARATOGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday October 21, 2026
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Saratoga Town Office

PRESENT: Karl Greeneway, Lorelei Fuehrer, Josh McDonald, Bryan Peterson, Chase Brockman
The Public Hearing was officially noticed on October 15, 2026.

Lorelei Fuehrer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Public Comment: Scott Stewart would like to have the board reconsider the Wake Boat Ordinance. This will be discussed on a future agenda. Scott Vernig has questions on his property taxes. Chairman Fuehrer will call him direct to discuss. Mike Hartje provided the annual Nekoosa Fire Department report.

Two bids were received for crushing the Asphalt pile at the Saratoga Town Hall. Earth Inc was $6.58 per ton. Gerke Excavating was $6.15/ton. **Motion (Greeneway/McDonald) to accept the bid for Gerke Excavating. Motion carries. Brockman abstains.**

Doug Passineau and Brandon Lamb provided the Road Crew report. Paving was done on a portion of Joslin Road; they have trimmed trees that were hanging over the road. The 2003 truck has a leak and will be repaired; the new truck has some charging issues and that will be taken in also. More tree trimming will take place this fall on Blue Ridge and 52nd Street as well as Rangeline and Ranger to the west. The new chipper works great.

Brandon Burroughs provided the Constable's report.
The Building Inspector submitted a written report.

Lorelei Fuehrer provided the Zoning Administrator report. She is continuing to work with the new Zoning Administrator, and this transition is going well.

Josh McDonald provided the Plan Commission update. They had a presentation from Invenergy on the progress of the Solar Project. They have been invited to attend the board meetings to provide updates as well. The Recreation Committee continues to explore options and will be meeting with Wood County in the future.

Paulette Weinfurter provided the Clerk's report. The Bulk Drop off will be Saturday October 24th from 8-2 for Saratoga Residents. Things have been busy with the Election preparation and absentee voting.

Billie-Jo Kester provided the Treasurer's report. She has been working on specials and tax preparation.

Updates from Town Board:

Supervisor Greeneway received request for flashing stop sign at 80th and Townline. This will be shared with Road Oversight Manager as this portion of Townline is not maintained by the Town of Saratoga. He also had questions on what liquor licenses we have available.

Supervisor Peterson received complaint from resident that had wood chips in his yard from the trees we hired to have cut. Our Public Works department was able to assist and take care of it.

Chairman Fuehrer received letter from resident to have special consideration on her property. This will be brought to a future meeting.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the minutes with changes. Motion carries. Peterson abstains for September 29th minutes. Minutes were for September 16, September 29, and October 12.

An invoice was received from Copper Paws rescue. They have been assisting the Humane Officer with some abandoned animals that needed medical care. **Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to pay invoices for any supplies utilized by the Town of Saratoga. Motion carries. McDonald abstains.**

Discussion ensued on the Volunteer Emergency Medical Services Ordinance. A special meeting will be held between the Town Board and the Saratoga EMS on November 12, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss it further.

Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to approve the business permit for Grumpy' s Garage at 9631 State Hwy 13S. Motion passed unanimously. Grumpy' s Garage will have 2 locations in the Town of Saratoga.

A letter was received from ERCO documenting the donation of $3500 that was designated for the Saratoga EMS.

The Saratoga EMS would like to rent a space for $800.00 a month during the construction of the Town Hall remodel. This will be discussed again in the future.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the fire and ambulance loan for $575,881.06 plus interest. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Brockman/Peterson) to approve the CSM for Parcel #1800384. Motion passed unanimously. This is for Shawn Lewis on Tower Road.

Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to approve the Concrete Waiver for Richard and Amy Jansen, 7831 Meadowlark Lane, Parcel #1801165. Motion passed unanimously.
Motin (Brockman/McDonald) to approve Concrete Waiver for #1800166C contingent the waiver is returned notarized. Motion passed unanimously. This is for Scott Reitz at 8520 28th Street So.
Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to approve reimbursement for Humane Officer training. Motion carries. McDonald abstains. This was for the mileage and food at training conference.

Motion (McDonald/Greeneway) to approve camping registration contingent upon following the camper ordinance regulations for 90 days. Motion passes unanimously. Camping Ordinance will be sent with the permit.

Discussion on the Fire Protection Charges Ordinance. This will give the clerk the opportunity to review the bills and bring forth as needed. **Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to amend the ordinance to the changes we just made. Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion (Peterson/Brockman) to split the fire bill in question with the rest to be invoiced for those at fault. Motion passed unanimously.

Lorelei Fuehrer provided an update on the Town Buildings. They are looking to install solar panels on the roof, the septic was approved, Roth well drilling was contacted, and EDC Management group received the necessary documentation from Point of Beginning.

Employee Handbook typo was corrected. This was approved at the last meeting.

A letter was received about selling out our cell tower lease. **Motion (Brockman/Greenway) that we do not sell out cell tower lease. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

The Battery Energy Storage System Ordinance was approved at the September meeting. The signature page was signed.

Items for future meeting include the Nepco Lake District, Dog Kennel, EMS Ordinance.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 18th at 6:00 p.m.
Motion (Brockman/Greeneway) to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.
Paulette Weinfurter-Clerk