

TOWN OF SARATOGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday January 21, 2026

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Saratoga Town Office

PRESENT: Lorelei Fuehrer, Chase Brockman, Karl Greeneway, Josh McDonald, Bryan Peterson

This meeting was officially noticed on January 15, 2026.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment was heard.

Brandon Burroughs provided a written Constable's report for the month as well as a list of citations that were issued in the year.

The Building Inspector provided a written report.

Lorelei Fuehrer provided the Interim Zoning Administrator report. She is talking with Ramsden about development of the property located at Hwy 13 and Ranger Road. Also questions about storage units.

Kasten Kester provided the Road Crew update. The new truck is estimated to be here mid-February. Chairman Fuehrer wanted to remind residents of the snow plowing policy. Roads will be plowed after 3 inches of snowfall is received. Primary roads will be first, followed by secondary roads and cult-de-sacs.

Supervisor McDonald provided the Plan Commission update. They have been working on the draft operations ordinance as well as the Town Building updates. The Town Recreation committee has been created to work on the recreation plan. No plan commission meeting will be held in February.

Paulette Weinfurter provided the clerk's update. The Wisconsin Town's Association will be having the Spring Workshops soon. We will need to have 1 member certify for Board of Review.

Billie-Jo Kester provided the Treasurer's report. Tax collection is going well.

Information Updates from Board Members:

Supervisor Peterson- questions on burning of trees from solar, icy road complaints, stop sign down.

Supervisor McDonald- road complaints received storage unit questions, and questions on why we are no longer using the South Wood County Humane Society.

Supervisor Brockman- issues with the brush grinding at the transfer site

Supervisor Greeneway- the Town recreation Committee, will have its first meeting on Thursday, February 5th at 6:00 in the Town office.

Motion (Brockman/Peterson) to approve the closed session meeting minutes from December 17, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Greeneway/Brockman) to approve the December 17 board meeting minutes from December 17, 2025. Peterson abstains, motion carries.

Motion (Peterson/McDonald) to approve the Wednesday, January 14 closed meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Bid requests were posted/advertised to renew the Town's Insurance Policy. Our current carrier will be at the next meeting. No other bids were received. We will reach out for bids to be in for our next meeting.

Motion (Brockman/Greenway) to sign the letter of support for Domtar in relation to the Solar project trees. Motion passed unanimously. This letter of support highlighted that the Town of Saratoga has not problem with the pulp from the Saratoga Solar project being used at Domtar, if desired.

Motion (Greenway/Brockman) to implement the Town hall usage policy, with the update on the agreement form, a policy which supersedes all other policies previously enacted by the Town of Saratoga. Motion passed unanimously.

The Per Diem policy will be updated at the next town board meeting.

Discussion on the Operations Ordinance. **Motion (Greenway/McDonald) to approve with minor changes as discussed. Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion (Brockman/Peterson) to approve the business permit for Country Sports. Motion passed unanimously. Located at 10520 State Hwy 13S, Parcel#1800315F.

Motion (McDonald/Brockman) to approve the alcohol beverage license for The Outpost Ranch. Greenway abstain. Motion carries. Located at 9331 STH 13S, Parcel #1800163.

Discussion ensued with the road use agreement. We will work to update this and bring it back to the next meeting.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to sign the consent form for the snowmobile trail route. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to approve the version of the Employee Handbook with section B1D1 not crossed out, and B1B "road", and page 18 #11 to remove the word check. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the water monitoring wells and the locations. Information was referenced from the Attorney from January 6, 2023 on the recommendation that the monitoring program would be terminated as the results did not reveal an surprises or new trends in the water levels. **Motion (Brockman/Greenway) to abandon all monitoring wells, except MWU4. Motion passed unanimously.**

Altman Construction has drawing of the Town Buildings to give us an idea of the cost of updating the buildings. More information to come.

Motion (Brockman/Greenway) to update the dog ordinance. McDonald abstains. Motion carries.

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

Items for the future meeting include: town building updates, road use agreement, kitchen rental contract, brush site hours, town insurance, audit.

The next town meeting will be February 18, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion (Brockman/McDonald) to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Paulette Weinfurter-Clerk