

## SEPTEMBER 21, 2011 WHEATLAND SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2011 at the Town Hall in New Munster. He opened the meeting with the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Town Board members present – Chairman Glembocki and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Robert Herda. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, and Town of Burlington Highway Foreman Scott Goldschmidt.

Notices were posted in six public areas and the town website. The *Kenosha News* and *Westosha Report* were notified. Individuals who have requested meeting notices by e-mail were also sent agendas as required by state law.

- **Discuss proposal by Town of Burlington to apply for TRIP D Grant to correct unsafe intersection on 31<sup>st</sup> St. and the paving of 31<sup>st</sup> St.**
- **Discuss if this could be tied in with paving of 368<sup>th</sup> Ave. for 2011**
- **Meet with Town of Burlington representatives and further discussion.**
- **Possible decision on whether to proceed with TRIP D Grant application and paving.**

Scott Goldschmidt, Town of Burlington Highway Foreman, was present to represent the Town of Burlington.

Chairman Glembocki explained 31<sup>st</sup> St. in Kenosha County/Karcher Rd. in Racine County is owned by the Town of Wheatland and the Town of Burlington. Each town owns to the center of the road which is a dividing line between the two municipalities and the two counties. Wheatland and Burlington have an agreement for maintenance and snowplowing which uses a halfway point of 750 ft. west of 368<sup>th</sup> Ave./Schaal Rd. as the dividing point with Burlington having the west half and Wheatland the east half. For major expenses such as re-construction and/or paving, each town pays half of the cost.

Burlington is proposing to reconstruct the intersection of Pheasant Ave., the first intersection west of 376<sup>th</sup>/Fish Hatchery Rd. on the north side and applying for Local Road Improvement Program TRID Funds. It would need to be a joint application and joint undertaking.

Chairman explained that we have limited funds and none available for 2012 for paving 31<sup>st</sup> St. The plan is to pave 368<sup>th</sup> Ave. in 2012. If we had the money and this could all be worked in as one project, we'd favor that but it is not likely.

The question arose as to whether TRID if approved in 2012 could instead be used in 2013. The regular LRIP program does allow grants to be used in the following year(s). That would make it possible to commit for 2013 Chairman Glembocki said.

Goldschmidt said Burlington is planning to pave Schaal Rd. from "83" to 368<sup>th</sup>/Karcher in 2012. The board agreed that if we can work out any paving solution at a lower cost (one bid) for 368<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Schaal Rd. for 2012, we would like to explore that.

Scott Goldschmidt said the state put \$11 million into this program for this funding year. Burlington feels we have a good chance to be approved because it will correct an unsafe intersection and it would be a joint project. The engineer Burlington uses would charge a fee for the initial application but Goldschmidt was uncertain as to how much or when this would need to be paid. The board agreed we do not want to pass on the chance to receive this grant to alleviate some of the costs.

Goldschmidt was asked to check on the following:

1. Engineer's cost.
2. When engineer would expect to be paid.
3. Whether TRID funds could be used in 2013 rather than 2012.
4. What TRID funds would cover.

Chairman Glembocki moved a motion to allow Burlington to represent the Town of Wheatland to proceed with the TRID Grant application if the project could be put off until 2013 and also to pay 50% of the TRID engineering/application costs, not to exceed 50% of \$30,000. Andrew Lois seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Goldschmidt is to report back to the town clerk who will relay the information to the board members as to whether the funding, if approved, can be used in 2013 and the other questions.

Robert Herda moved to adjourn at 7:17 p.m. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk