

FEBRUARY 13, 2012 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2012 at the Town Hall in New Munster. He opened the meeting with the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Town Board members present – Chairman Glembocki and Supervisor Andrew Lois. Supervisor Robert Herda was excused. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Treasurer Deborah Vos, Building Inspector Tim Popanda, Fire Chief Lou Denko, Jack Bobula, and Tom Barr.

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.

Andrew Lois moved approval of the January 27, 2012 Town Board Meeting. William Glembocki seconded. Motion carried.

- **Fire Dept.** – Chief Lou Denko said there was nothing major to report. The fire department has purchased several radios for narrow band. Kenosha County will be on narrow band by the end of March. Federal regulations require full use by January 1, 2013. The fire department will upgrade as resources allow. Radios purchased in the last ten years are capable of narrow band transmittal and reception. The idea is they can squeeze more in but reception diminishes with distance, about 43% of signal strength is lost with narrow band. There will be repeaters placed in the county to aid reception as you get further from the transmitter.

Regarding the 911 Memorial, Chief Denko said Jerry Dressler has offered to help to try to procure steel. Denko will check with him. Denko said all the steel has been allocated to organizations but some has not been picked up and there is unclaimed steel being stored in warehouses. We will try to find out the procedure to obtain some of the unclaimed steel.

- **Public Comments** – none

- **Review court approved Raze Order for 8112 335th Ave. & seek proposals to execute raze order**

Building Inspector Tim Popanda summarized the history of this property. He showed photos and explained we had plywood placed over the openings and the property cleaned up. The raze order was approved by the court. We have been waiting to take action because there were several inquiries from possible purchasers of the property. Recently Constable Haas noticed a “for sale” sign on the building. There have also been new purchase inquiries, one from neighbor who is very interested. He would purchase and tear down.

Popanda recommended the board go thru with proposals and be ready to tear down the buildings. It tells a purchaser we intend to raze the buildings and the board can always work with a purchaser.

Board told Popanda to get three bids and bring to next meeting if ready. Popanda said we may want to keep the retaining wall that is on the property.

William Glembocki moved a motion to authorize Building Inspector Tim Popanda to procure three bids for razing the buildings and possible execution to be decided, if ready, at the next meeting. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

- **St. Alphonsus Fish Boil at St. Alphonsus School, 6211 344th Ave., New Munster**

- A. Special Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage License – February 24 & March 9, 2012, Michelle Daniels, person in charge
- B. Alcoholic Beverage Operator (Bartender) Temporary License applications:
 1. Michelle Daniels, Burlington, WI 53105 – (2/24/12 & 3/9/12)
 2. Mike Lois, Burlington, WI 53105 - (2/24/12 & 3/9/12)
 3. Mary Miles, Salem WI 53168 - (2/24/12 & 3/9/12)
 4. Jeannie Clark, Genoa City, WI 53128 – (3/23/12)
- C. Special Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage License – March 23, 2012, Jeannie Clark, person in charge

William Glembocki moved a motion to approve a Special Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage License – February 24 & March 9, 2012, with Michelle Daniels as person in charge. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Andrew Lois moved approval of Temporary Alcoholic Beverage Operator Licenses for Michelle Daniels, Mike Lois, Mary Miles and Jeannie Clark. William Glembocki seconded. Motion carried.

William Glembocki moved approval of a Special Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage License – March 23, 2012, with Jeannie Clark as person in charge. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

- **Alcoholic Beverage Operator (Bartender) License Application:**

Scott A. Collison, Twin Lakes, WI 53181 – *Local Folks*

Requirements for beverage server certification and background check have been met. William Glembocki moved approval of an Alcoholic Beverage Operator License for Scott A. Collison. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

- **Reports**

A. Road report – Chairman Glembocki read letter responses in regard to the town’s resolution concerning installation of turn lane signals at the intersection of S.T.H. 50 and C.T.H. “P.”

The WI Dept. of Transportation S.E. Region Director Dewayne Johnson stated they will review the accident data and pre and post crash history and respond by June 1, 2012.

Area legislators - Senator Neal Kedzie, Representative Tyler August and Representative Samantha Kerkman in a letter to WI Dept. of Transportation Director Johnson urged the department to update the intersection to include a dedicated left-hand turn signal.

Clerk reported speaking to Burlington Town Chairman Ralph Rice in regard to the TRIP “D” joint application of Burlington and Wheatland. Chairman Rice said Burlington had received a request for more information in regard to the application. The decision is still pending.

B. Treasurer’s Report for January – Treasurer Deborah Vos reported a January 31, 2012 net worth of \$2,584,347.04. She noted there is property tax money included in that amount which will be paid out by February 20th to taxing jurisdictions – schools, county, state, technical college. Chairman moved to approve the report, including the detailed deposit report. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

C. Building Inspector Report – Building Inspector Popanda said he had no written report but we do have one new home. Two others have spoken to him about building a new home. There were two remodeling without a permit notices. They will be coming in for a permit.

D. Other reports - none

- **Announcements – PRIMARY ELECTION, Feb. 21 – Polls open 7 a.m.-8 p.m. at Town Hall**

Chairman reminded everyone that a WI Driver License or WI I.D. is required to vote and must be presented in order to be issued a ballot.

- **Correspondence** – The Western Kenosha County Historical Society is holding a “Blurt it Out” at Wheatland Center School on Feb. 19th, 1 p.m. They will have lots of western Kenosha County history and pictures. Everyone is welcome. They are looking for pictures from the past and will scan them and return to you.

- **Financial matters:**

A. Purchase approval - none

B. Clerk’s Report of January Disbursements – William Glembocki moved to approve the Clerk’s Itemized Statement of Disbursements for the month of January 2012, checks #21771 thru #21833, January 3 thru 31, 2012, in the amount of \$69,534.20. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

C. Other financial matters – report on insurance premiums & decision on upgrading fireman’s accident and disability policy

Clerk reported the total cost to increase the limits for the firehouse to \$546,300, add Koch Park Pavilion as a scheduled item @ \$35,000, and increase the 2007 Pierce Aerial fire truck to \$753,325 is \$490. Increasing the fire department accident and disability policy from a \$50,000 death benefit to \$100,000 benefit and associated upgrades results in a \$936 increase to the premium. The town attorney did not feel the \$4 million/\$9 million liability limits needed to be increased to \$5 million/\$10 million.

Chairman noted that \$2,000 was allowed for premium increases; the actual total increase is \$1,426. William Glembocki moved approval of the upgrades with the total premium now \$25,378. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

- **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. on a motion moved by William Glembocki and seconded by Andrew Lois.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk