

## MARCH 5, 2012 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2012 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, Treasurer Deborah Vos, Fire Chief Lou Denko, Mike Partridge, Tom Barr, Mike Adam, Jeff Butler, Jack Bobula, Marc Kaiser, Ray Giesler, and Keith Keating.

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.

Robert Herda moved approval of the February 27, 2012 Town Board Meeting. William Glembocki seconded. Motion carried.

- **Fire Dept. –**

Fire Chief Lou Denko reported regarding a possible 911 Memorial. He and Gerald Dressler are both trying to locate a piece of steel for a memorial at the firehouse. All of the metal has been allocated to some organization but not all has been picked up. Responding to Chairman Glembocki's request, he will again e-mail Gerald Dressler with names of people he has contacted as Gerald Dressler did not receive the first e-mail.

Chief Denko said the air system has been upgraded for piped air in the trucks. All the electric cords and lighting systems have been upgraded to match other fire department's trucks so that in a MABAS response all other department's equipment will be compatible. Last weekend, the old hotel in Twin Lakes was set on fire and used for a fire-fighting training exercise. There were many fire departments there. It was a good training and especially valuable to the newer members.

Responding to Chairman Glembocki, Chief Denko said a volunteer firefighter died and four others were injured in a fire in Abbotsford this past weekend. The roof collapsed on them.

- **Public Comment –**

Marc Kaiser, 33114 80<sup>th</sup> St., said parking at the lakefront on Lilly Lake Rd. should be restricted along the road. There should not be parking for trailers going up the hill. Steel sticks out and kids on rollerblades and skateboards could get hurt. We are not obligated to park everyone in the whole area. The designated parking spots meet the requirements and that should be it. He believes this merits a discussion and has brought this up a couple of times.

Chairman Glembocki said he will include this for discussion on the agenda for the Lilly Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District's Spring Meeting.

Kaiser also asked if there have been any more robberies. Chairman said not that he has heard.

- **Comprehensive Plan Amendment Applications:**

**A. Applicant:** Patrick E. & Debra L. Partridge (owner), Michael J. Partridge (agent), located at 39537 Bloomfield Rd., Powers Lake, Wisconsin.

**Request:** Amend the Land Use Plan Map adopted as part of the Town Comprehensive Plan and change the land use designation of Tax Parcel 95-4-119-074-0981 located at 39537 Bloomfield Rd. from "Commercial" and "Park and Recreation" to "Park and Recreation."

**B. Applicant:** North Beach LLC, Michael J. Partridge (agent), located at 39613 Bloomfield Rd., Powers Lake, Wisconsin

**Request:** Amend the Land Use Plan Map adopted as part of the Town Comprehensive Plan and change the land use designation of Tax Parcel 95-4-119-074-0972 located at 39613 Bloomfield Rd., Powers Lake (formerly "Pit Stop" tavern) from "Commercial" to "Medium-Density Residential."

Mike Partridge said he purchased the "Pit Stop" parcel. He wants to remove all the existing structures and build three new homes which would be individually owned but the land would be owned jointly by the three parties in a condominium agreement. Item "A," above, corrects a mapping error.

Chairman noted the Plan Commission had held a public hearing on February 27 and approved the application for consideration by the town board.

Andrew Lois moved approval of Ordinance No. 2012-001 - Approving an Amendment to the Town of Wheatland Comprehensive Plan for Tax Parcel 95-4-119-074-0981, 39537 Bloomfield Rd. and for Tax Parcel 95-4-119-074-0972, 39613 Bloomfield Rd. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

- **Consideration and approval of Lilly Lake Summerhaven summer events –**

- Schedule water patrol officer to be at Lilly Lake for the June 2-3 Free Fishing Weekend
- June 30 – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade & Celebration and donation toward expenses, supply barricades and close Lilly Lake Rd. from 76<sup>th</sup> St. to 77<sup>th</sup> St. during the parade time
- July 21 – Movie night at the beach

Mike Adam, Lily Lake Summerhaven Association President, said the weekend of June 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> is a statewide free fishing weekend. The association thought the water patrol officer and maybe a DNR warden could offer some boat safety training and maybe check boats or offer fishing instructions and tips to get more people involved with lake activities. They are also asking permission for the traditional, annual parade and celebration and the movie night at the beach which was first offered in 2011 and proved popular.

Mike Adam, responding to the question of insurance said the association used to have directors and officers insurance but it got so expensive they dropped it. Then the association bought umbrella policies for the directors and then found some don't cover liability as a director. They found that a 501 organization qualifies for a cheaper insurance rate and have formed a 501. They can now get officer and director insurance at a reasonable cost but liability is over the top. The association has no assets; so, there is nothing to sue. Does the town's insurance cover us? We've kind of thought over the years you had insurance to cover the event.

Chairman said the town has insurance but if it's not a town event it may not cover. We recently went thru a bidding process for insurance but stayed with the same insurance carrier.

Chairman Glembocki said we'll need to check with the insurance agent and bring up again at March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. We may also chat with town counsel. Unfortunately people are so "sue-happy" these days, we need to be careful and make sure of the insurance coverage. Chairman said we don't want to stop anything but need to be covered if something happens.

Mike Adam also said the association looked at individual event insurance and it's more than you'd pay for a whole year. Supervisor Lois asked if a rider was available. Chairman said we'll check.

Tom Barr, 8100 328<sup>th</sup> Ave. asked if the beach and boat launch were covered. The town insurance would cover that because it is town property.

Chairman said we will bring this up again in three weeks at the March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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

A. Terry W. Schilling, Burlington, WI 53105 – *Sit 'n Bull*

B. Christopher C. Gorzelnik, Antioch, IL 60002 – *Wheatland Convenience Center*

Applicants have met the requirements for an alcohol server license. William Glembocki moved approval. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

- **Reports**

A. Road report –

Chairman said there was a complaint from a 407<sup>th</sup> Ave. property owner that the snowplow had peeled up some of the sod. He checked it and it is in the road right-of-way and will be repaired in the spring. He also said there was a report that 76<sup>th</sup> St., east of 332<sup>nd</sup> Ave. was missed occasionally by the snowplow driver.

B. Other reports –

Clerk reported receiving a call from someone involved in the dog shows being held this year at New Munster Park. He again asked for permission to park three RV campers during the shows and said they want someone on the premises because they are concerned about security. This was requested several years ago by the same individual. Board members reiterated this is a parking lot, there are camping grounds in the area for that purpose and affirmed that RV camping is not allowed in the parking lot. Chairman said the fire department hires a security firm and other organizations have had someone take a night shift if security is a concern.

Chairman reported the address signs that were missed in the first installation have arrived. Jack Bobula will be installing. Some houses have a post without a sign; others need a Digger's check before a post can be put in.

- **Announcements –**

Wheatland Volunteer Fire Dept. March 12<sup>th</sup> Corned Beef & Cabbage Fundraiser @ Luisa's, 6806 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. - \$10 at the door, \$9 in advance; serving 4 – 8 p.m.

- **Correspondence – none**

- **Financial matters:**

- A. Purchase approval – none
- B. Other financial matters – none
- **Adjournment**  
William Glembocki moved to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Andrew Lois seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk