

NOVEMBER 25, 2013 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 25, 2013 at the Town Hall in New Munster and opened with the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Town Board members present – Chairman Glembocki and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Kelly Wilson. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Treasurer Deborah Vos was excused for a medical emergency, Constable Robert Santelli, Jeff Butler and Fire Chief Lou Denko and Brett Butler arrived later in meeting.

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.

Minutes of the October 28, 2013 and November 4, 2013 town board meetings were approved on a motion by Andrew Lois and second by Kelly Wilson.

- **Fire Dept. Report** – none
- **Public Safety Report** – Constable Santelli said maintenance and detailing were done on the squad and new snow tires put on. He has spoken to the Sheriff's Department about the Lilly Lake reports.
- **Public comments** – Jeff Butler, 6630 373rd Ave. asked if the building inspector had done anything about the barn in Slades Corners. Chairman said Inspector Tim Popanda had attempted to reach the owner by phone but has not been successful. He will be sending a letter.

- **Follow-up discussion - feral cat nuisance complaint from property owners in Koch's Rollingbrooke Manor Subdivision**

Chairman Glembocki reported he spoke to DNR agent Marty Johnson concerning any suggestions for dealing with feral cats. Johnson said they have nothing that would address the situation.

Constable Santelli reported he visited the two parties who were reported to be feeding the cats. They told him they stopped feeding the cats when they received the letter from the Town.

Chairman said he also spoke to Town Attorney Jeff Davison. Davison said the town can write an ordinance but does not feel that is the way to go. Chairman said Paddock Lake Administrator Popanda told him that ultimately, not feeding the cats took care of the problem in Paddock Lake except for Hooker Lake where fishermen were leaving fish parts. They took care of that by placing garbage cans with tight covers at the boat launch.

Chairman said he would like the subdivision to police itself and see if that helps. Constable Santelli said he has not seen the property owner near the entrance to the subdivision feeding the cats. But neighbors disputed that and said she feeds them on her back patio.

Chairman said winter and no feed may fix the problem faster. He urged people to close off window wells, use lattice to block off the area under decks, and keep sheds and garages closed. If there is no available shelter, it will also help. He suggested the board look at this again the first meeting in May.

Jeff Butler asked if the DNR had rules prohibiting feeding of wildlife. Chairman said they do when it comes to baiting for deer and bear but not for nuisance animals. He also said the town has no live traps to lend out and will not be purchasing any for that purpose.

- Alcoholic beverage operator license (bartender) application: Christopher James McDermott, Kenosha, WI – *Lily Lake Resort*

William Glembocki moved approval and Kelly Wilson seconded. Background check showed nothing that would preclude issuing a license and alcohol server training certificate has been issued. Motion carried.

- **Reports**

A. Road report – Karcher Rd./31st St. – Chairman said orange barrels only, guard rail not installed yet. Clerk will call Town of Burlington again to see if they can give us an installation date.

Chairman said he saw salt piles in three different locations. He called the snowplowing company and told them to shovel it back into a truck. He said he felt they did not have to be out so early in this past storm but it is a tough call. Andrew Lois said Geneva Rd. was slick around 3 p.m. when he was coming home.

Constable Santelli asked if everyone had seen the KD Park Parking Project Maps. He was told by County Board Supervisor Dennis Elverman that the county will be posting the east side as “no parking.” There are two parking areas and a driveway to the lake from “KD.”

Chairman said the 71st St./314th Ave. intersection has been blacktopped. Looks good.

Clerk reported that while finalizing the annual road certification to the state the calculation for 368th Ave. shows about 2/3 mile remaining to be paved in 2014.

B. **Building Inspector Report** – The report covered September, October and November 2013 and listed 26 permits including 1 new single family house in Meadowbrooke Farms No. 2 for \$370,000. Fees collected total \$4,320 and a valuation of \$632,636. Report was accepted on a motion by William Glembocki and second by Andrew Lois.

C. **Treasurer Report** – Treasurer's detailed report showed a Net Worth of \$910,187.47. Andrew Lois moved to accept the detailed report. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

D. **Other reports** – Chief Lou Denko arrived and said he ordered digital radios for fire department members for the private channels. Santelli said he will also need a radio.

- **Announcements –**

Town Office is closed for Thanksgiving – November 28 and 29, 2013

- **Correspondence –** none

- **Financial matters:**

A. Purchase approval – none

B. Approve Clerk's Report of October Disbursements – Report listed disbursement total of \$227,994.93, check #23451 thru #23514, dated October 7 – 31, 2013. Andrew Lois moved acceptance of the report. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

C. Other financial matters – Clerk reported the WI DOR approved the chargeback for the refunded taxes for the Wojt property. The WI DOR denied the second appeal of the denial of the Griffin claim.

- **Adjournment –**

William Glembocki moved to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk