

SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Wheatland Town Board met with the Town of Burlington in a joint session at the Burlington Town Hall Auditorium, 32288 Bushnell Rd., Burlington, WI at 6:00 p.m.

Burlington Town Chairman Ralph Rice conducted the meeting and opened with the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Present for Burlington: Ralph Rice and Supervisors Jeff Lange, Joan Boehme, Tyson Fettes, Rick Isaacson. Also present: Town Administrator Diane Baumeister, Town Attorney Rich Scholze, Town Engineer Tim Lynch, *Standard Press* reporter Jennifer Eisenbart, Vickie View Petersen and Frank Lumm.

Wheatland Town Board members present – Chairman Glembocki and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Kelly Wilson. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Town Attorney Jeff Davison and Town Engineer Len Roecker.

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.

- **Public Comments** - none
- **Karcher Road Project costs/invoices**

Ralph Rice chaired the meeting and explained the TRID project. Fortunate to receive grant, bids came in way over estimates, explained how the project was scaled back to fit the estimated cost.

Tim Lynch said the revised project was \$484,000 and the final cost was \$627,000 plus engineering costs of \$133,907. He listed the problems they ran into and the costs associated with the problem. There was \$143,000 additional construction cost. He does not have any signed change orders but both boards were informed of the problems and additional cost.

Town Attorney Jeff Davison asked if there was a written contract between the Town of Burlington and Tim Lynch spelling out the engineering costs. Lynch - there was not a written agreement.

Town Attorney Rich Scholze - understands what has been discussed but all hindsight.

Wheatland Chairman William Glembocki - Wheatland likely would not have entered into a joint project and filed for grant if engineer had provided true costs. There should have been soil tests. The project could not be stopped once the problems were known; it had to be completed.

Chairman Rice said work was done and contractors need to be paid. He would also like to be able to apply for the TRID reimbursement. Supervisor Jeff Lange wanted to explore all possibilities. Supervisor Tyson Fettes asked what we are trying to accomplish here.

Attorney Jeff Davison said there should be a reduction for the contractor and the engineer. Lynch was the design engineer and should be his dime and all costs incurred. Contractor has some responsibility also. Lynch said \$220,000 still owed to the contractor.

Chairman Glembocki said the \$627,000 is too much. Wheatland does not have the extra money. The Wheatland Town Board will meet as soon as possible regarding this matter and get back to the Town of Burlington.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Clerk