

RESOLUTION – No. 1-2015
Resolution Opposing County-Wide Assessment

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR) proposes to change from municipal assessment to county assessment that requires 100% assessment of every property every year; and,

WHEREAS, citizens will no longer have a local Board of Review; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Wheatland will have no choice in assessing firms and will instead just receive a bill from the county with no input regarding cost; and,

WHEREAS, the DOR has cited assessor problems as part of their rationale, but has not tightened up on assessor licensing to require more consistent results even though they have the authority to do so; and,

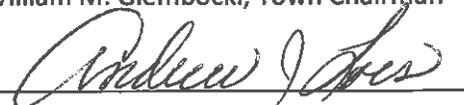
WHEREAS, over the last five years the DOR has already required electronic records and detailed information from assessors supposedly to improve the process; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Wheatland, Kenosha County does hereby oppose the implementation of county assessment in Wisconsin and asks for the proposal to be removed from the budget.

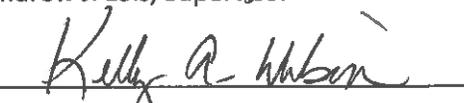
Adopted this sixteenth day of March, 2015.



William M. Glembocki, Town Chairman



Andrew J. Lois, Supervisor



Kelly A. Wilson, Supervisor

Attest:



Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk

MARCH 16, 2015 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16, 2015 at the Town Hall in New Munster and opened with the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Town Board members present: Supervisors Andrew Lois and Kelly Wilson. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Town Building Inspector Tim Popanda, Town Attorney Jeff Davison and Wayne Kaddatz.

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 March 9, 2015 town board meeting were moved for approval as presented by Kelly Wilson and second by Andrew Lois. Motion carried.

Public Comment - Supervisor Kelly Wilson asked about the signs for New Munster Park. Chairman said that item is on the April 13 town board meeting.

Discussion for allowing cement driveways to extend into right-of-way to match up to road pavement

Chairman Glembocki asked Building Inspector Popanda to report on his research of ordinances that allow cement to extend to the pavement of public roads. Popanda searched internet and found a Town of Little Suamico ordinance he thought would fit for Wheatland. The issue at hand is a cement driveway but other things have come up over the years. He suggested a comprehensive revision to address among other things:

1. One driveway per parcel
2. Pitching driveways to drain to the ditch line and not out to the road
3. Requiring a minimum driveway surface width (12 ft.), minimum clearance width (24 ft.) maximum length (1,000 ft.), and minimum clearance height (18 ft. - free of trees and wires) to aid emergency service vehicles
4. Requiring 15" diameter corrugated metal culvert as minimum with maximum length 24 ft. and metal endwalls required.
5. Minimum side yard of 5 feet
6. Maximum grade of 30%
7. Angle of entry 90 degrees
8. Site distance consistent with road engineering standards
9. Concrete surface shall be permitted to meet the paved surface but is required to be below the paved surface edge.
10. All costs of material, installation, inspection are responsibility of property owner.

Additionally, Popanda suggested language to provide for removal of concrete if that becomes necessary. Removal would be at the town expense and replaced with blacktop. If property owner wanted concrete, it would be property owner's expense. Need to consider whether permits would only be required for new driveways but not for existing driveway culvert or surfacing replacement. Permit charges should be set.

Wayne Kaddatz, 39405 60th St., suggested plastic culverts be allowed and people with a lot of frontage should be allowed multiple driveways.

Popanda asked board for comments and suggestions. Chairman said the board should think this over and we will have another meeting. Popanda asked if the board wants to consider multiple driveways if the building inspector approves. Chairman told Popanda to look into it and draw up guidelines. Popanda said there should be a variance and appeal process section with a fee attached.

Alcoholic Beverage Operator (Bartender) License:

Christina Marie Kaphengst, Clinton, WI - *Sit 'n Bull* - Andrew Lois moved approval of an alcoholic beverage operator license for Christina Marie Kaphengst. Kelly Wilson seconded. Chairman said background check and alcohol server course requirements have been met. Motion carried.

Further discussion on allowing the keeping of chickens in residential areas

Chairman said there is no ordinance or discussion tonight. Looked at the Lilly Lake coop and it is a nice coop but 50 ft. lots in Lilly Lake are too small for keeping chickens. Maybe 1/2 acre lot and wide setbacks so neighbors aren't impacted.

Consideration and possible adoption of resolution opposing county-wide assessing

William Glembocki moved to adopt Resolution No. 1-2015. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Reports - Correspondence - Announcements

A. Road report – Andrew Lois said 45th St. west of Hwy "P" needs to be paved. Pavement has really broken up during the winter. Reports of cracks that need sealing in Lilly Lake especially on 334th Ave. and 80th St. Chairman said Lilly Lake Road going east from the beach to 73rd St. needs to be paved. We should micro-seal Geneva Rd. where we've cracksealed. Signs down all over. Stop signs, stop aheads, and speed limit signs.

B. Other reports – none

C. Correspondence - none

D. Announcements

- Fire Dept. - "Corned Beef & Cabbage" Fundraiser, Monday, March 16, 4 - 8 p.m. at St. Alphonsus School, 6211 344th Ave., tickets purchased by Mar. 12 - \$12.50 and entry in a drawing. Tickets at door \$14. Available from members and at town office.
- April 7 - Spring Election - Polls open 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. at the Town Hall
- April 27 – Annual Meeting – 7 pm

Financial matters: none. Financial report will be reviewed at the April 13th meeting.

Motion to proceed to closed session pursuant to §19.85(1)(g) Wis. Stats. for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation in which it may become involved, specifically the Karcher Road Rebuild Project with the Town of Burlington

William Glembocki moved a motion at 6:45 p.m. to proceed to closed session pursuant to §19.85(1)(g) Wis. Stats. for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation in which it may become involved, specifically the Karcher Road Rebuild Project with the Town of Burlington to include the board members, town clerk and town attorney. Not minutes or voice recording of the closed session will take place. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Kelly Wilson moved a motion to convene in open session at 6:50 p.m. to act on proposed agreement with the Town of Burlington to address cost overruns relative to the Karcher Road Rebuild Project. William Glembocki seconded. Motion carried.

William Glembocki moved a motion to approve a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the Town of Burlington relative to the Karcher Road Project in the amount of \$115,838. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Kelly Wilson moved to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk