

MARCH 23, 2009 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Butler at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall in New Munster and opened with the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Town Board members present – Chairman Jeffrey Butler, and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Robert Herda.

Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Municipal Judge Fred Hewitt, Constable Bob Haas, Jack Bobula, Ron Williams, Ray Giesler, Mike Giesler, Jim Mirek, Jennifer Reed, Deanna Delimat, Frank Lumm, and Bill Glembocki.

Notices were posted in four public areas and *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, 2009 town board meeting were moved for approval by Robert Herda and second by Andrew Lois. Motion carried.

- **Fire Dept. business** – Chairman said there were several grass fires but they had called in burn requests to the Fire Chief.

- **Old Business** - none

- Tabled at the March 9, 2009 meeting: Request of **Tucker Bay Energies, LLC, P.O. Box 785, New Munster, WI 53152-0785 (lessor), Black Bull Fireworks, 34231 High Drive, East Troy, WI 53120 (lessee) for a Kenosha County Zoning & Shoreland/Floodplain Zoning Temporary Use Permit to allow the sale of novelty fireworks from June 18th to July 5th, 2009** from a 30' x 40' tent and 8' x 40' steel storage shed to be located on property owned by Tucker Bay Energies LLC, Tax Parcel #95-4-219-353-0230. Sales tent & shed will be located on the east side of the pumps of the *Wheatland Convenience Center* (Marathon Gas Station - Hwy "83" & "50"), 33703 59th St., New Munster, WI 53152.

Andrew Lois moved a motion to remove the request of Tucker Bay Energies from the table. Jeffrey Butler seconded. Motion carried.

Deanna Delimat representing Black Bull Fireworks stated they would be operating similar to 2008 but beginning earlier, June 18 to July 5, with hours the same 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Constable Bob Haas stated they did an excellent job in 2008.

Delimat was advised that posting signs in locations off the site of the 33703 59th St. advertising Black Bull Fireworks is not allowed, per county zoning regulations.

Andrew Lois moved a motion to approve a favorable recommendation to the Kenosha County Board of Adjustments for the Temporary Fireworks Stand per application and conditions stated therein. Robert Herda seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- **Ordinance No. 1-2009 – Create Chapter XLVI – “Municipal Truancy”** was read and discussed. Municipal Judge Fred Hewitt said this is another avenue for Wheatland Center School to use to keep the kids in school. The Wheatland Center School Principal had reviewed the ordinance.

Andrew Lois moved a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1-2009. Robert Herda seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The ordinance will be in effect after publication.

- **Ordinance No. 2-2009 – Amend Chapter XIX – “Storage of Rubbish and Junk-Regulations”** was read and discussed. Constable Bob Haas said this gives more authority to the town board and constable instead of going thru the courts. If passed, the town will need to select a tow operator.

Robert Herda moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2009. Andrew Lois seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The ordinance will be in effect after publication.

- **Alcoholic Beverage Operator (Bartender) Original License applications:**

1. Original – Michael R. Stevens, 23609 65th St., Salem - *Wheatland Convenience Cntr*
2. Original – Charles T. Burns, 1129 Glenridge Ln, Elkhorn - *Wheatland Convenience Cntr*
3. Original – Denise R. Williams, 23627 62nd St., Salem – *Wheatland Convenience Cntr*
4. Original – Karly N. Kramer, 400 Cardinal Circle #3, Burlington – *Wheatland Conv. Cntr*
5. Original – Tyrone P. Skomski, 39613 Bloomfield Rd., Powers Lake – *Oakland Pit Stop*

All have completed the alcohol beverage server course certifications and background checks showed nothing to preclude issuance of a license.

Andrew Lois moved a motion to approve alcoholic beverage operator license applications for Michael R. Stevens, Charles T. Burns, Denise R. Williams, Karly N. Kramer, and Tyrone P. Skomski. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Public Comments –**

Ray Giesler, 7833 334th Ave., stated the public boat launch ramp doesn't look good. Chairman Butler said he has looked at it. The ice heaved parts and that is going down somewhat. The board will look at it during annual road inspection in May.

Constable Bob Haas said the fishing pier should be put in. Vozel Landscaping will be contacted to install as soon as possible.

- **Road Report –**

1. 376th Ave. – Chairman said there are a couple of small spots where the second lift of pavement installed last year has separated. Town Engineer Len Roecker and B. R. Amon & Sons have been contacted to have this repaired.
2. 373rd Ave./Geneva Rd. - "dead end" sign and 65th/368th Ave. - "dead end" sign need to have steel posts either straightened or replaced. Kenosha Co. Hwy. Dept. work order will be sent.
3. Crack seal basketball court – Chairman said this needs to be done. Work order was sent in last year to Kenosha Co. Hwy Dept. but it was too late in the year. The work order will be sent again.
4. 10 T. Weight Limit signs were installed at 376th Ave./Hwy "50," 376th Ave./31st St., 368th Ave./Hwy "50," 368th Ave./31st St. on Friday. Hwy "P" has been closed until Fall 2009 because of construction of the "36"/"11" Bypass around Burlington and large truck traffic is officially detoured to the state and county roads.
5. In response to Frank Lumm, 4707 376th Ave., Chairman Butler said that street signs are the town's responsibility on town roads. The speed limit, curve, etc. signs knocked over by snow being pushed against them were likely rotten and that's why they are down. The green, street and avenue numbering signs are the responsibility of the county to maintain.
6. Jack Bobula, transfer station operator, said they need the county grader to level the potholes and more traffic bond is needed at the transfer station. Bill Glembocki did a great job leveling the gravel material pushed to the side by snowplowing but there are still areas that need more material.
7. Chairman said he had Kerkman Bros. Const. Co. dig out the 353rd Ave./57th St. cross culvert end and install a 10 ft. culvert extension. Kerkman Bros. will also be cleaning up some of the brush knocked down by the tornado on Stanley Kerkman's property.
8. Kirk Wagner, 51st St. has had his field re-contoured and is planting a green waterway to control the erosion and help absorb some of the water that comes from the hills and causes mud and water problems on the driving area of 51st St.

- **Other Reports –**

Jack Bobula asked for the dates for the county collection of household hazardous waste. Clerk will check on the dates and copies will be made for distribution at the transfer station. Bobula said there should be more than two times that the county collects this waste. People don't want to hang on to it and place it in their garbage. Years ago there were four collection dates. Board agreed and will forward suggestion to County Executive Jim Kreuser.

- **Announcements –**

1. SPRING ELECTION – Tuesday, April 7, 2009 - Polls open 7 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Town Hall
2. ANNUAL TOWN MEETING – Tuesday, April 14, 2009 – 7 p.m. – Town Hall

- **Correspondence - none**

- **Financial matters:**

- A. Purchase approval / bill approval - none
- B. Other financial matters –
 1. Approval for May 22 - "Dealing with Transients & Gypsies, etc." Seminar - Constable Bob Haas attending, \$75 registration fee – Racine Police Dept.
 2. Approval for June 4 – "How to Deal with Difficult People" Seminar – Constable Bob Haas attending, \$99 registration fee – City of Kenosha
 3. Approval for April 29 – "Records Management" Course – Clerk Sheila Siegler

attending, \$110 registration fee – Holiday Inn, Manitowoc

Andrew Lois moved approval of the requests of Constable Bob Haas for May 22 and June 4 and Clerk Sheila Siegler for April 29. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

C. Review draft of annual report for April 14 meeting – Clerk handed out draft copies to board members. Board will look over and discuss at next meeting.

- **Adjournment –**

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on a motion from Robert Herda and a second by Andrew Lois.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk