

JULY 27, 2009 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Glembocki at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 27, 2009 at the Town Hall in New Munster and opened with the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Town Board members present – Chairman William Glembocki and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Robert Herda.

Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Jack Bobula, Bill Heeg, and Jim Mirek.

Notices were posted in five public areas, the town website and 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.

Andrew Lois moved approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, July 14, 2009 town board meeting. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

- **Fire Dept. Report** – none
- **Public comments** –

Chairman Glembocki asked the clerk to read a copy of a fax he received on 7/25/2009 from the following: Gerald Dressler, 7815 334th Ave., Linda Gissell, 33011 76th St., Patty Kaplan, 7822 328th Ave., Rob Kissner, 33011 76th St., Gail Schoch, 7834 328th Ave., and Wendy Trefz, 7524 Lilly Lake Rd. The letter voiced concerns with the property assessment process. A copy will be attached to the meeting minutes.

Jim Mirek, 3607 368th Ave. spoke regarding his experience with Associated Appraisal.

Chairman said the Girl Scouts have done a fine job with the flowers around the park sign.

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

A. Renewal – Carol S. Degen, 38335 87th St., Burlington, WI 53105 – *Local Folks*

B. Original – James M. Carney, 20900 45th St., Bristol, WI 53104 – *Local Folks*

Board reviewed the applications. Alcohol beverage server certification and background check has been fulfilled. Robert Herda moved approval of Alcohol Beverage Operator Licenses for Carol Degen and James Carney. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

- **Reports**

A. Road report –

Clerk reported a property owner on 80th St. in Lilly Lake said a curve sign is missing.

Chairman asked Supervisor Herda to check on that.

368th Ave. – board will look at the area in the 3900 block for possible plugged culvert at the location where the property owner has removed the willows in his front yard and ditch.

Owner was advised that he cannot change the ditch elevation.

B. Other reports -

Chairman said a fax has been received from Angela & Mike Reyer, 6348 373rd Ave. in which they state they have complied with the weed notice for their property on 373rd Ave.

- **Announcements** – none
- **Correspondence** -

A. Chairman said a notice, dated July 20, 2009, was received from Wheatland Jt. School Dist. No. 1, etal, of the appointment of School Board Member Mary Ochoa-Petersen as the board representative to the Wheatland Plan Commission.

B. Chairman reported receiving a letter from Senator Robert Wirch, dated July 14, 2009, detailing some of the provisions in the state budget that should help stimulate our economy, keep taxes low, and assist local governments.

- **Financial matters:**

A. Purchase approval / bill approval - none

B. 2009 road projects – plan

Board asked the clerk to try to bring something for the next meeting for possibilities to address repair to several road areas. Strip pave some small areas on 368th Ave., 373rd & 65th in Rollingbrooke Manor Sub., 380th in Oak Forest, 77th St. and north end of 314th in Oakwood Shores. Pulverize and pave streets in the northwest corner of Lilly Lake, 75th, 76th, 334th, 336th, 337th and possibilities for 85th St. in Powers Lake.

C. Approval of Policy 2009-001 relating to credit card use –

William Glembocki moved approval of Policy 2009-001. Robert Herda seconded. Motion

carried.

- **Adjournment** – Lois moved to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. Herda seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk

Wheatland Chairman Glembocki & Board Members
Wheatland, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Chairman

As the process of re-appraisal is underway we all are expecting fair appraisals based on the current downward slide of property values we have seen over the past 4 years and which still continues. We are in the mist of the worse recession in more than 50 years. Unemployment continues to rise . In recent months we are loosing more than 700,000 jobs per month. Many of us could loose our property and kill our hopes and dreams. It is an economic fact that high taxes will kill development in our community, both in residential and business development the one way that Wheatland can stimulate growth is to have lower and reasonable taxes, which will encourage development

Many mistakes and errors were clear with the appraisals of two years ago by Associate Appraisals Which raised taxes as much as 35% or more in a downward slide in property values all across the country including Wheatland.. Now more than ever the board needs to be sensitive to economic realities that have hurt so many in our community.

We all hope that the Wheatland Town Board will hold Associated Appraisers accountable for past errors and demand that their work will reflect the current economic crisis. What Associated Appraisers did two years ago defied the reality of our economic crisis.

Respectfully

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