ORDINANCE NO. 2020-002

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER 50
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF WHEATLAND
RELATING TO TOWN BOARD

The Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Wheatland, Kenosha County, Wisconsin, hereby creates Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Wheatland relating to Town Board to read as follows:

CHAPTER 50

THE GOVERNING BODY

SECTION 50.00. The Town Board.

50.01 General. The Town Board shall be composed of three (3) Supervisors who shall be elected as provided by §60.21(2)(B), Wis. Stats. The Chairperson of the Town Board of Supervisors shall preside at all meetings of the Town Board. In the absence of the Chairperson, the Town Clerk shall call the meeting to order and preside until the members present select a Supervisor to preside at that meeting.

SECTION 50.10. Meetings of the Town Board. All meetings of the Town Board shall be conducted in compliance with Section V Chapter 19, Wis. Stats. (Wisconsin Open Meetings Law) as may be amended or renumbered from time to time.

50.11 Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Town Board shall be held on the second and fourth Monday of each calendar month. Any regular meeting falling on a legal holiday may be held at any other secular day at the hour and place as determined by the Town Board.

50.12 Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Town Board may be called by the Chairperson or a majority of the Supervisors by requesting the Clerk to call such meeting, stating the time and place for such meeting, which notice may be in writing or by telephone. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting except for the purpose which was stated in the notice thereof.

50.13 Place of Meetings. Meetings of the Town Board, including special and adjourned meetings, shall be held at the Town Hall. However, a meeting of the Town Board may be held at any designated place upon proper public notice of such meeting at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time for such meeting.
50.14 **Quorum.** Two (2) Supervisors shall constitute a quorum and the only business to be undertaken in the absence of a quorum shall be to adjourn from time to time or to compel the attendance of absent members.

50.15 **Attendance at Meetings.** For purposes of establishing a quorum, a Supervisor must attend a meeting either in person or by telephone conference call, video or other electronic means which provides the press and the public with an effective means to monitor the telephone, video or other electronic conversations of any Supervisor not personally in attendance. Any meeting at which a Supervisor(s) anticipates not being personally present and participating by telephone conference must be properly noticed which shall include the intention that one (1) or more Supervisors will participate by telephone or other electronic or video format which allows the press and/or the public an equivalent ability to monitor the participation of Supervisor(s) not personally present at the meeting. The attendance by a Supervisor shall not be available by telephone for any meeting or any portion of a meeting which is a closed session of the Town Board pursuant to §19.85(1), Wis. Stats.

SECTION 50.20. **Conduct of Meetings.**

50.21 **Agenda.** The Clerk shall prepare a written agenda for each meeting and distribute the same in accordance with Chapter 19, Wis. Stats. (Open Meetings Law) as may be amended or renumbered from time to time.

SECTION 50.30. **Ordinances and Resolutions.** No ordinance, resolution or by-law shall be considered unless presented to the Board in writing. Ordinances, resolutions, by-laws, communications and other matters submitted to the Board shall be read, except that if requested by a Supervisor before the final vote is taken, no ordinance, resolution or by-law need be read in full. No ordinance shall be adopted unless it receives a first and second reading unless waived.

SECTION 50.40. **Rules of Order.**

50.41 **General Rules.** The deliberations of the Board shall be conducted in accordance with the parliamentary rules contained in *ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED*, except as otherwise provided herein.

50.42 **Addressing Board.** Except under "CITIZENS COMMENT", no person other than a member shall address the Board except by recognition of the Chairperson or upon request of a Board member with the Board’s consent.

50.43 **Discussion And Withdrawal of Motions.** No ordinance, resolution or other motion shall be discussed unless it has been moved and seconded. No motion shall be withdrawn without the consent of the person making the same and the person seconding it.

50.44 **Members to Vote.** Every member shall vote when a question is put, unless the Board shall excuse him. The Chairperson, who is by virtue of his or her office a Supervisor, is entitled to vote on every issue. The Clerk/Treasurer shall call the names of the members of the
Board in alphabetical order on the roll call votes. Roll call votes may be requested by any member prior to the vote.

50.45 **Precedence of Motions.** When a question is in debate, no action shall be in order except the following motions which shall have precedence in the order in which they stand:

   a. To adjourn.
   b. To lay on the table.
   c. The previous question.
   d. To postpone to a certain date.
   e. To refer to a standing, select or special committee.
   f. To amend.
   g. To postpone indefinitely.

50.46 **Reconsideration of Votes.** Any member in the majority may move for the reconsideration of any vote in question at the same meeting. A motion to reconsider being put and lost shall not be renewed.

50.47 **Call For The Previous Question.** Any member desirous of terminating the debate may call the previous question when the question announced by the chair shall be "shall the main question be put?" If a majority of the members present vote in the affirmative, the main question shall be put without further debate, and its effect shall be to put an end to all debate and bring the Board to a direct vote, first upon the pending amendment, and then upon the main question.

50.48 **Suspension of Rules.** These rules or any part thereof may be temporarily suspended in connection with any matter under consideration by a recorded vote of 2/3 of the members present.

**SECTION 50.50. Committee.**

50.51 **Committee Reports.** Each committee or commission shall report to the Board with a report of all matters referred to it or considered by it. Such report shall recommend action to be taken by the Board. The Board may adopt, reject or modify any recommendation of any committee or commission reporting to the Board.

Dated at Wheatland, Wisconsin, this 22nd day of June, 2020.

TOWN OF WHEATLAND
By: [Signature]
William Glembocki, Chairperson

Attest: [Signature]
Sheila M. Siegler, Clerk