

JUNE 14, 2021 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:00 p.m. Monday, June 14, 2021, at the Town Hall, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Town Board members present: Supervisors Andrew Lois and Kelly Wilson. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Constable Robert Santelli, Fire Chief Lou Denko, Wayne H. Kaddatz, Traci Denko, and Diane Grenus, George Grenus, Chris Brown, Alan Kaddatz, Brett Butler, Gregory Loire, Steve Clubb, Bob Kupfer, James Mirek, Chris Fahrenkrug, a citizen, *Kenosha News* reporter Jill Tatge-Rozell, and *West of the I* reporter Darren Hillock.

Notices were posted in three public areas (Town Hall, Transfer Station and Wheatland Center School) and the town's website. The *Kenosha News* and *Westosha Report* were notified. Individuals who have requested meeting notices by e-mail were sent agendas as required by state law. In addition, property owners abutting Tax Parcel #95-4-219-281-0120 were notified by First Class Mail. The alcoholic beverage license applications were published in the *Kenosha News* on June 7, 8, and 9, 2021.

The Minutes of the May 24, 2021, town board meeting and the May 24, 2021, Board of Review Meeting to Adjourn were motioned for approval by Andrew Lois and second Kelly Wilson. Motion carried.

Report –

A. Fire Dept. – Chief Denko reported that he put in place a burning ban for Wheatland. Conditions are extremely dry and surrounding municipalities also have burn bans in place. The trucks are being serviced this week by a new company, Siren Services, Cambridge. The service person from Emergency Apparatus Maintenance (EAM) who did the maintenance for many years is now working for Siren Services. Chief said he expects the cost will be at least 10% less. So far, they have just found normal maintenance items, except for finding a crack in the frame (2x2 stainless steel frame around pump housing) of the new tanker. He will call Smeal to stand behind the lifetime warranty and provide a repair. Our only cost should be the time to take it to the repair shop they provide.

Chief said at the last meeting he and Supervisor Wilson were supposed to meet with the Town of Randall to investigate a backup plan for rescue squad service using one of the Silver Lake rescue squad vehicles. Randall is interested and he will be setting a date.

Chief said there was a gas grill propane tank leak that started a fire at the town park and burned a large area of grass. There should be a designated area for grilling. Chairman said he would meet with the Chief and select a spot. They can strip the sod and put gravel in the space for now. Cement can always be added later.

Chairman asked Chief if we should hire someone like Harris who works with diesel engines to get the firehouse generator up and running. Chief Denko said that is not what is holding this back. Some of the brackets must be made. He is getting "caught up" and will have it installed soon.

Chairman said we discussed this last year and had prices at that time, but we need to get the firehouse doors painted and serviced. Chief said they had to call Halvorson recently to service one of the doors because the cable broke. Chairman said we will put this on the next meeting's agenda. Chief also said one of the yellow, cement ballyard posts has rotted out and broke off. It is sitting behind the building.

B. Public Safety – Constable Santelli said there has been some vandalism damage with mailboxes being knocked down. County put up warning signs on CTH KD north for the curve are north of 44th St. There have been two dumping complaints in Oakwood Shores Sub., one in the flood area and on 69th St. The squad push bumper has been reattached.

Constable said he has a purchase request for a new portable radio for \$1,499.75. It is listed later the agenda, but he must leave to attend another meeting. He is hopeful it will be approved.

Supervisor Wilson asked if there has been any action in Oakwood Shores to report. Santelli said he understood the person he stopped has been charged with a felony. Also there have been some local taverns burglarized. Signs have been delivered but not installed in the flood area stating no off-road ATV travel.

Public comments – Wayne Kaddatz, 39405 60th St., asked about the engineering study the state was doing on the town's behalf. Has it been completed? He also said that he would like the property the town received for the cost of the back taxes on the corner to go back to Grenus family. He had verbally agreed to reimburse the town for the property and return it to Grenus as part of the drainage solution for Slades Corners. He wants that on the agenda.

Chairman said it was part of the drainage proposal. Cannot do anything at this point. He will check with the town attorney.

Chris Brown, 39701 60th St. asked if he should speak now about the crosswalk or when it is discussed on the agenda. Chairman said the issue was clear-cut and may not need any discussion.

VIOLET LOIRE, ET. AL., 21915 84th St., Salem, WI 53168 (Owner), Gregory Loire, 21915 84th St., Salem, WI 53168 (Agent), requesting a variance (Section III. P. 12.18.4-5: that accessory buildings shall be in the side or rear yard only) to construct a detached accessory building to be in the street yard on Parcel # 95-4-219-281-0120, 36113 31st St.

Greg Loire said this building was for personal use; there would be no business operating from it. The property is unusual in that there are a lot of wetlands on the lot, and this was the only place to erect a building. Also, the lot is a flag shape; so, it sits to the south of his neighbor John Misek who has road frontage. Loire has a small access easement to 31st St. with no road frontage.

There was no one present to speak for or against the request of Violet Loire, etal.

Andrew Lois moved approval of a favorable recommendation to the Kenosha County Board of Adjustments for the request of Violet Loire, etal to construct an accessory building on the property as described in the application, parcel #95-4-219-281-0120, 36113 31st St. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Consideration and possible action on the bequest of Gail Schoch of donation of \$100 and parcel of land conditioned on the property being used for a dog park 7830 block of 328th Ave., east side

Attorneys Robert Kupfer and Stephen Clubb were present and representing different co-representatives of the estate.

Supervisor Wilson presented information: the lot is 1.3 A, and long and narrow with a lot of trees. There is a garage on the property in good shape. She has checked with community members and everyone she spoke to said they thought the dog park was a good idea.

Price from Mark Karow (Interstate Tree) of \$15,121 to clear the property. Aronson Fence quoted a price of \$19,544 for black fencing and \$16,858 for galvanized fencing.

The garage could be used as an entry structure she said. Additional cost will be a parking lot and gravel and a security light. Will need to figure ongoing maintenance, garbage pickup and possibly a portable toilet rental in the cost of the dog park.

People like the idea. She thought it would not all have to be done at one time. It is an enhancement and asset for the neighborhood. There are at least 200 homes in the near vicinity.

People could be charged for a dog park license to partly offset the maintenance.

Chairman said he wants to look at the garage. He thinks it is rotted on the bottom because it sits very low on the property.

Attorneys stressed the property will go back to the estate if not continuously used for a dog park. Attorney Clubb did not feel it could be done in stages. Everyone agreed the court would have the final decision on the timeline.

Chris Fahrenkrug, one of the co-representatives of the estate said the property floods on the southeast. Field tiles may be broken. The marsh would have to be filled in to be used. The doors do not open on the west side. The garage is not a functional building he said.

Board agreed to have a decision by the August 9th town board meeting.

Request to install a crosswalk on 60th St. just west of the intersection with 396th Ave.

Chris Brown has presented a plan for a crosswalk in Slades Corners crossing 60th St. between Local Folks and the church playground. He asked for a crosswalk sign and striping of the pavement. He said there are about 13 children in Slades Corners at this time and this was needed for safety because of speeding cars.

Supervisor Lois moved approval of the crosswalk location, striping and sign and spending up to \$1,500. William Glembocki seconded. Motion carried.

St. Alphonsus Church, 6301 344th Ave., New Munster – July 11 Summer BBQ

- a. Use of New Munster Park
- b. Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage Retailer's License
- c. Temporary Alcoholic Beverage Operator (bartender) Licenses

All board members have a packet of information that includes the alcohol license application, a plan for Covid precautions, and a plan for serving of alcohol including checking for legal drinking age and Tyvek wristbands, as well as bartender applications.

Andrew Lois moved approval of "a," "b," and "c" above per applications. Bartender licenses are requested for Mark Seeger, Julie Saunders, and Michael Decker. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion

carried.

Alcoholic Beverage License Applications for period July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

a. **Class “B” Alcoholic Beverage License** - 8 renewal applications: Local Folks, Lily Lake Resort, Bella Vita, B & D’s Village Inn, Sit ‘n Bull, Luisa’s Pizza, Dave’s Saloon, and Stein Farms

William Glembocki moved approval of the Class “B” Alcoholic Beverage License Applications for the eight listed above: Local Folks, Lily Lake Resort, Bella Vita, B & D’s Village Inn, Sit ‘n Bull, Luisa’s Pizza, Dave’s Saloon, and Stein Farms. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

b. **Class “A” Alcoholic Beverage License** – 3 renewal applications: River Valley Ranch, Rock Corner – Wheatland, and Best Bargains

William Glembocki moved approval of the Class “A” Alcoholic Beverage License Applications for the three listed above: River Valley Ranch, Rock Corner – Wheatland and Best Bargains. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Clerk reported that “Ray’s Change A Pace” was not being renewed in that name because Ray Weis, the current licensee was retiring. Whiskey Hill Tavern LLC, Brian Boeckenstedt, Agent has applied for the license and that request will be on the agenda for the June 28 meeting.

Reports - Correspondence - Announcements

A. Reports

1. Road - Chairman reported the stop sign at the NE corner of CTH O and Geneva Rd. was knocked down on Sunday by a vehicle which did not stop. He called it in to KSD and a temporary was installed.

376th Ave. and Geneva Rd area – Brush, trees, weeds, etc. need to be removed by the guard rails. A work order will be sent in.

2. Chairman Glembocki – Chairman said 80th St./334 Ave. needs to be trimmed.

Posts have been ordered for the public beach fence to replace those damaged when the section of the retaining wall was removed and replaced.

Two loads of sand were put on the beach and spread around. They are putting in 2 more loads.

Trees for the beach – Chairman not in favor, people go to the beach for the sun, and we have just repaired the retaining wall. Tree roots do a lot of damage.

3. Supervisor Lois

4. Supervisor Wilson - there was previously a tree to the left of the entry gate. It was removed several years ago because it was diseased. She will come up with ideas for the next meeting.

5. Clerk

June 14, 2021 Meeting - Clerk's Report to Town Board	
pier sold	John Brandes pd \$600 and arranged for hauling it on 5/27/2021.
Neumann LN	Culvert at intersection of Neumann & CTH P was reported to have a large hole, 1x1 ft., in the culvert. Kenosha Co. Hwy Dept checked it. Culvert is cement and has a "picking" hole to lift the culvert which is then plugged. Plus came out. Now repaired.
Safety poster	Received thank you from KSD Deputy Friendly for safety poster contest donation.
insurance claim	Town insurance paid an additional \$441 for work needed on squad and not discovered until later.
Fire at park	6/5/2021 - gas grill cylinder leak & fire near pavilion. Should we designate area pr set some rules?
ARPA	2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Request was filed with WI Dept. of Revenue 6/11/2021.
Dumping - Oakwood Shores	Sometime between 6 p.m. Saturday and noon Sunday. Siding, soffit, etc. dumped.
Dumping - Oakwood Shores	318th Ave. at 69th St. - 15-20 paint cans dumped.
Transfer station	Someone ran into the back exit gate b/t Sat. 3 p.m. and noon Sun. Gate does not open.

Mailboxes damaged	55th St. & 366th Ave. - 6 - 7 mailboxes damaged - reported 6/10/2021.
Oak Forest Sub.	Paving will begin tomorrow if all goes well. Replaced two culverts, one at 380th/381st intersection and one going north on 381st about midway
Meadowcreek Sub.	Paving will follow Oak Forest Sub. Replaced cross culvert 353rd Ave. mid-section. Cleared out & jetted 353rd/54th St. intersection culvert and culvert is sound.
lake weeds	Weeds in lake - complaints from property owners & lake users
new DNR person	New Southeast WI aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Specialist has been assigned, Scott R. McComb
burn ban	Today Fire Chief Louis W. Denko instituted a burning ban until further notice.
348th Ave. (KD)	An arrow sign and 2 chevron signs installed for northbound traffic today. 2 new chevron signs installed for southbound traffic also today.
thank you	Deputy Friendly safety poster contest - thank you for donation.

B. Correspondence - none

C. Announcements –

Financial matters:

A. Purchase approval – Constable new portable radio with collar mike and case – Board was handed a quote from General Communications for the radio Constable Santelli is requesting in the amount of \$1,499.75. It will allow better communication between the constable, fire department, and Kenosha County. William Glembocki moved approval of the purchase as quoted. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

B. Other financial matters – Clerk reported Black Bull has prepaid \$5,000 for fireworks permits generated at the store (metal building on STH 50).

Clerk's Report for the period May 1-31, 2021, in the amount of \$68,494.85, checks #30292 thru #30374 was moved for approval by motion of William Glembocki, second Kelly Wilson. Motion carried.

Adjournment – William Glembocki moved to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk