

**TOWN OF WHEATLAND
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF ELECTORS
WHEATLAND TOWN HALL
34315 GENEVA RD, NEW MUNSTER, WISCONSIN**

Monday, April 26, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glembocki.
 - A. *Pledge of Allegiance.*
 - B. Town Board members present – Chairman William Glembocki and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Kelly Wilson.
 - C. Notices were posted on the town website, town hall, transfer station and Wheatland Center School. *Kenosha News*, *West of the I* and *Westosha Report* were notified. Notice was also published in the *Kenosha News* legal section on April 13 and 19, 2021. Notice was also e-mailed per state statute to list of people who have requested town board meeting agendas.
 - D. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Treasurer Deborah Vos, Municipal Judge Fred Hewitt, Constable Robert Santelli, Municipal Judge-Elect Terry Simmons, Town Attorney Jeffrey Davison, Fire Chief Louis Denko, Diane Grenus, George Grenus, Jill Lewis, John Lewis, Marilyn Kaddatz, Alan Kaddatz, Wayne Kaddatz, Grant Kaddatz, Ryan Syreini, *Kenosha News* reporter Jill Rozell, Patty Koenen, Jeff Koenen, Mary Niederer, Jeff Niederer, Rachelyn Butler, Brett Butler, Gail Isbell, Scott Spalding, Susan Gehring, Brian Boeckenstedt, Jerry Greil, Traci Denko, Len Vos, Julie Vos, Jeff Butler, Brad Nelson, Jo Nelson, Alby Glembocki, Deborah Glembocki, Dave Llewellyn, Gina Llewellyn, Leah Rasmussen, Vince Mosca, Callie Rucker, Ken Rucker, Deb Lois, Mark Willkomm, Dave Weis, Rita Weis, Mandy Onstad, Brian Onstad, Michelle Durkin, Bob Durkin, and Larry Smith.
2. Jeff Butler, 6631 373rd Ave. moved approval of the Minutes of the September 23, 2020 Annual Meeting (delayed from April because of the Covid-19 Pandemic) and the November 30, 2020 Budget Hearing and Special Town Meeting. Fred Hewitt, 5008 368th Ave. seconded. Motion carried.
3. Re-elected town officers for the next two years were introduced by Chairman Glembocki. Chairman William Glembocki; Supervisor No. 1 Andrew Lois; Supervisor No. 2 Kelly Wilson, Clerk Sheila Siegler; Treasurer Deborah Vos; Constable Robert Santelli and newly elected Municipal Judge whose term is for four years, Terry Simmons. Judge Simmons who takes office May 1 received a round of applause from the audience.
4. Presentation of the 2020 Financial Report by Chairman Glembocki. The audience was given time to review each page and ask questions. Supervisor Lois asked why there was an increase in the room taxes received. Clerk responded that the state law had changed and Airbnb and Vrbo are now required to charge the room tax and remit to the local government.

Deb Lois, 7601 368th Ave. asked if the town is required to pay a percentage of the court collections to the state and county. Clerk responded it is not calculated by a percent, but we do have to remit amounts for different categories as specified by law. You can find the amount in the report.

Chairman asked for any other questions. There being no questions, he called for a motion. Alan Kaddatz, 6300 396th Ave., moved to accept the 2020 Financial Report as presented. Deb Lois seconded. Motion carried.
5. Fire Dept. report – Chief Denko said there were 249 calls of which 92 were fire and 157 EMS. This is down from last year. There is a big change so far this year with the increase in calls. We are already at 99. Mental health type calls are coming in, likely as an aftermath of Covid-related issues. Fentanyl is increasing in the area and is so toxic and dangerous. It is a big concern with overdose cases increasing. He warned that violence responses are increasing and will become a larger issue as they are everywhere. It does not happen just in the big cities.

Jeff Butler moved to approve the report. Fred Hewitt seconded. Motion carried.

6. Building Inspector Tim Popanda's report listed 193 permits for an improvement value of \$3,341,390 and fees of \$28,597.68. Fred Hewitt moved approval, seconded by Brian Onstad, 37400 Geneva Rd. Motion carried.

7. Municipal Court report – Fred Hewitt presented a report showing 108 court cases for the year. Brett Butler, 6220 373rd Ave. moved a motion to accept the report as printed. Jeff Niederer, 34414 Geneva Rd. seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Glembocki thanked outgoing Municipal Judge Fred Hewitt for 18 years of service to the town. He presented a plaque recognizing "18 years of fair, honest and dedicated service" to Judge Hewitt on behalf of the Town of Wheatland. The audience gave Judge Hewitt a standing round of applause.

8. Recreation report – Brett Butler reported a new basketball backboard was installed at the court in New Munster. The old, rusty fencing was removed.

For 2021 we are looking at Lilly Lake Beach. The seawall is being repaired and sand added to the beach. A new swim pier has been ordered.

Butler noted there are still advertising spaces available at New Munster Park for a three-year lease. If you know of someone who may be interested, please contact the town office or a member of the Recreation Board.

9. Town Chairman report and comments – Chairman Glembocki said during this Covid year, meetings were not held for a few months. STH 50 is under construction for the entire distance from Lake Geneva to I-94; so, please be careful. Drivers need to slow down and drive safely. Take an alternate route, if possible.

The town will be paving some roads this year. There will be some major paving projects coming in the next couple of years when we begin to resurface Geneva Rd.

10. Old business –

Supervisor Andrew Lois said he just wanted to make mention of the contributions from the Boy Scouts over the years. We have park name signs in New Munster Park, Koch Park, and Oakwood Shores Park due to Eagle Scout projects. Plus, there were improvements to the food stand with painting and to the Lilly Lake Park with landscaping, and general upgrading and a new flag. He wanted to recognize these scouts and their parents and supporters for their dedication and hard work.

11. New business - none

12. Annual Budget Hearing – Chairman said the town board will set the date.

13. Jeff Butler moved a motion to set the 2022 town annual meeting of electors for April 25, 2022, 7 p.m. Larry Smith seconded. Motion carried.

14. Adjournment – Rita Weis, 8225 328th Ave. moved to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Deb Glembocki, 33911 Geneva Rd. seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk