

JUNE 13, 2022 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:00 p.m. Monday, June 13, 2022, 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, Alan Kaddatz, Wayne Kaddatz, Brian Boeckenstedt, John Lewis, Jill Lewis, and Emily Lein.

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.

Minutes of the May 16, 2022 town board meeting and May 6, 2022 Board of Review meeting were motioned for approval by Andrew Lois and seconded by William Glembocki. Carried.

Report –

A. Fire Dept. – Chief said a couple of firemen have declined the accident insurance benefits. The rest who did not sign beneficiary forms should be given a letter for them to decline so it is on record. He asked the clerk to create this and he will hand out. He also would like a starter packed for new members. He contacted Black Bull and Freedom Fireworks for an inspection on Friday, prior to opening. Both have been cooperative. Annual truck maintenance from Siren Services will begin soon, possibly next week. He said the fire department has been filling private swimming pools if people request this service and donate \$100 a tank. Some have gotten "testy" because the fire dept. didn't come right away. The board told him to let the person requesting the service know they should find someone else then. This is not a required service and especially from a volunteer fire department.

Chief Denko said air packs are coming due. We can't use grant money but Scott Safety said other departments are using Covid money. The compressor is good for another 15 years. The air packs are \$110 - \$120 with the trade-in of the old ones. We will keep the old face pieces to reuse but also get all new face masks. Would need 14 packs and two rescue packs plus 4 tanks to compressor. Board agreed we should look into the ARPA Covid money to see if we can use it for this purchase.

Chairman asked about the bus that has been sitting in the transfer station and has now been moved to outside the fenced area. Chief said the school is pulling the title and the school will sell it. It needs to be towed. The engine does run.

B. Public safety – Constable Santelli suggested ARPA money be used for law enforcement for a computer and he could then get online. He said he was driving thru Oakwood Shores and a branch sticking out from the side of the road grabbed the rear bumper skirt which came off. Millhouse fixed this at no cost; only took a couple of clips.

Public comment – Brian Boeckenstedt, 5200 State Road 83, said he was speaking in regard to the 25-mph speed limit for part of Geneva Rd. He is in favor of the reduced speed from 35 to 25.

Wayne H. Kaddatz, 39405 60th St. said the culverts installed to take the drainage away from the firehouse should have had another 60 ft. so the ditch could be mowed using a riding mower. He will pay the extra money if the town doesn't have it.

He also said he experimented with the 25-mph speed limit and you need to brake to keep it at 25.

He said he will be speaking to board members individually about the property that used to belong to George and Diane Grenus and which they sold to a relative but they were not paid. He wants to pay the town what the town paid to the county for the back taxes on the property and give the property back to Grenus.

Discussion on ATV complaint in Fox River Floodplain and method to restrict riding thru the floodplain

Constable Santelli said he does not see a ton of traffic when he rides thru the flood area. He stopped an ATV on 73rd St. in Lilly Lake who had not stickers. But doesn't see ATV riders in Oakwood Shores. He is not sure what can be done. He talked to the DNR about coming out now and then. Perhaps the sheriff's dept. ATV unit would come if Chairman asked for them.

Supervisor Lois said County Executive Kerkman and a county board member are in favor of county ATV trails and are working on it countywide.

Supervisor Wilson said Mary Schneider suggested the trails be blocked to prevent trail riding. The property in question is owned by private, county, and town on the different parcels. Difficult to block the illegal trails. Mary Schneider also suggested a notice to all registered sticker holders but they are likely not the ones riding off the paved roads.

Kelly Wilson said more enforcement is needed from DNR & KSD.

Clerk informed Constable Santelli of a complaint in Powers Lake of golf carts driving around on the roads.

Alcoholic Beverage License renewals:

Class "A" – Rock Center – Wheatland, River Valley Mushroom Farm, and Best Bargains

Class "B" – Sit 'n Bull, Local Folks, Bella Vita, Honeydripperz Pub, B&D's Village Inn, Lily Lake Resort, Luisa's, and Stein Farms

Kelly Wilson moved approval of the above listed Class A licenses for Rock Center-Wheatland, River Valley Mushroom Farm and Best Bargains. William Glembocki seconded. Carried.

Andrew Lois moved approval of the above listed Class B licenses for Sit 'n Bull, Local Folks, Bella Vita, Honeydripperz Pub, B&D's Village Inn, Lily Lake Resort, Luisa's and Stein Farms. Kelly Wilson seconded. Carried.

Cigarette license – Rock Center – Wheatland

Kelly Wilson moved approval of the cigarette license for Rock Center. William Glembocki seconded. Motion carried.

Class Temporary "B" Retailer's License – St. Alphonsus Church, 6301 344th Ave. for a "Summer BBQ Picnic" on August 21, 2022 to be held at New Munster Park

Temporary operator licenses for the above event

William Glembocki moved approval of a Temporary Class "B" Retailers License for fermented beverages for St. Alphonsus Church for a "Summer BBQ Picnic" to be held at New Munster Park on August 21, 2022. A Certificate of Insurance is on file for this church-sponsored event. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

William Glembocki moved approval of Temporary Alcoholic Beverage Operator Licenses for August 21, 2022 for Erin Decker, Michael Decker and Lydia Mattox. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Wheatland Estates mobile home park license renewal

Kelly Wilson moved approval of the Wheatland Estates Mobile Home Park license renewal for July 1, 2022 – June 20, 2023. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

First reading - Ordinance 2022-02 – amending Geneva Rd (60th St) 35 mph speed limit as follows: 35 mph from STH 50 to 341st Ave; 25 mph from 341st Ave. to 347th Ave. and 35 mph from 347th Ave. to 400th Ave.

Ordinance was read and will be on the next agenda for second reading and approval.

Continuing discussion on the merits of appointed clerk and treasurer positions versus elected and whether to call for another referendum vote on the issue for the November general election

Chairman Glembocki explained this will be on the agenda until a decision is reached on whether to schedule another referendum for the November ballot. He explained his reasons and said we want to hear questions so that we can make sense of the need of this for the future. You could have a popular person who is not qualified for the office win the election. Qualifications are needed. We have no control over job duties or qualifications if position stays elected. If contracted, the person could be removed for failure to do the job. Elected person would have to be removed by the voters. Voters need to hear the reasoning behind the appointing versus electing issue. We don't believe this was explained properly before the last election. This is an important vote. Supervisor Lois added the maximum a contract is approved by statute is three years or less which would be set by town ordinance.

Clerk was directed to draft a letter so the board can look at it before distributing and posting to the website. People pay attention closer to the actual election date but we want to have this out there beforehand.

Announcements- Reports - Correspondence –

A. Reports

1. Road - none
2. Chairman - none
3. Supervisor Lois – reported the stop sign on CTH O at CTH F intersection was knocked down and laying in the ditch. A temporary is in place but doesn't do the job. Clerk will report to county highway office.

4. Supervisor Wilson – asked the Clerk if streetlight in Meadowbrook Farms has been repaired. Clerk believed it was but not heard from anyone.

Supervisor Wilson also asked if there was any more information on using ARPA money for the fire department face masks. Clerk said nothing yet but will look for information.

Supervisor Wilson said the Board has copies of the correspondence from Cole Marshall, Wilmot High School shop department. Pickup or delivery of material. He suggested new material be delivered to Wilmot by Menard's. We will have to arrange for pickup of the completed building from Wilmot High School. Marshall also added to the specs to reinforce the building for moving which added a bit to the price but still under the \$10,000 amount for two buildings.

Supervisor Wilson will contact Menard's, Burlington to order the supplies in July and have material delivered to Wilmot when they are ready to begin constructing, September or October.

5. Clerk

June 13, 2022 Meeting - Clerk's Report to Town Board	
WTA TRI-County Mtg	Thursday, June 23, 2022, 5:30 p.m. - Cotton Exchange, RSVP
DNR recycling grant	\$6,007.60 recycling grant for 2022 received 6/2/2022
STH 50 paving	376th Ave. on north side, intersection will be closed for short time when DOT mills & paves into intersection 50 ft. to north.
STH 50 paving	392nd Ave. north side will be paved by DOT into the intersection. Will let us know so we can tell Lafarge. During closure, trucks will need to find alternate route.
STH 50 paving	381st Ave intersection streetlight. WE Energies not yet moved light which was required for the turn lane. We paid upfront money in 2021. DOT project manager is investigating.
BIL awards - None	The town will not be receiving any BIL grant for paving. Awarded municipalities have been listed but none were in Kenosha County.
351st, 67th, 349th, 69th paving	Highway department will need to go thru and brush back and cut some limbs because paving equipment will need more space.
351st, 67th, 349th, 69th paving	Access will be limited during paving, could be up to an hour that can't enter or leave an area.
Radar speed sign	Kenosha County placed a radar speed sign on Geneva Rd. across from the town hall on 6/9/2022.
Lake district	Insurance renewal proposal received from Horton Group at same cost and coverage.
366th Ave drainage	Complaint that the ditch still not draining correctly. Remediation work done in 2020 did not completely address the problem.
park sign renewals	3-year renewal notices for the signs at New Munster Park are being sent out.
park bench donation	\$500 donation from Lily Lake Summerhaven Ass'n for an additional bench for the beach.
Lake water sampling	As part of the DNR Surface Grant, we were required to sample Lilly Lake after the recent treatment for Eurasian Watermilfoil. There were a large number of samples over several days. Mike Adam and assistants Kelly Wilson and Mark Seeger deserve a big thank you for taking care of the sampling and sending off to the lab.
May fire dept. calls	12 fire calls, 7 of which were for mutual aid, 15 1st Responder calls
WE Energies	18 streetlights changed to LED, 17 in the last month, at no charge to Wheatland.
Lake weeds	Mike Adam reports the treatment seems to have worked well against the target species, Eurasian Water Milfoil. He took a turn around the lake yesterday.

Plan commission	Plan Commission will be meeting June 27, 7 p.m. for a Conditional Use Permit for a detail shop on Geneva Rd at 32214 (former Marotta AJM Contractor) and a possible rezone/gravel mining permits Lafarge Aggregates for Robers farm.
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Board members will let Clerk know if they can attend the WTA Tri-County meeting.

Board directed Clerk to send letter to property owners in the 351st, 67th, 349th, 69th paving area to inform them of the tree cutting and closing of the road during paving.

Lilly Lake Beach benches were purchased in 1996 for \$800+ for all three benches. Now, can't get one for less than \$970 plus shipping. Trying to get similar bench to match. Current benches have held up well. Remainder to come from Recreation Board.

Lafarge has rented the town hall to use for a meeting with some of the property owners bordering the planned gravel mining expansion on the Robers farm on 376th Ave.

B. Correspondence – County Executive reply that levy limit revision resolution was received.

C. Announcements - Kenosha County Dairy Breakfast – June 18, 6:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Elfering Farms, 15324 Horton Rd, Bristol – Breakfast \$10; children 6 and under free

Financial matters:

A. Purchase approval – none

B. Other financial matters –

C. Clerk's Report of Disbursements for May totaled \$78,121.38, checks #31214 - #31304, dated May 1-31 was motioned for approval by William Glembocki. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment

William Glembocki moved to adjourn at 7:03 p.m. Kelly Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk