

**TOWN OF WHEATLAND
TOWN BOARD MEETING
WHEATLAND TOWN HALL
34515 GENEVA RD., NEW MUNSTER, WISCONSIN**

Monday, January 8th 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brett Butler at 6:00 p.m., Monday January 8th, 2024 at the Town Hall and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Town Board Members present, Chairman Brett Butler and 2nd Supervisor Kelly Wilson and Supervisor Kyle Madsen. Also present: Clerk Deuster, Constable Santelli, Jeff Koenen, Lou Denko, Yogi Patel and Al Kaddatz.

Meeting notices were posted at the Post Office, Town Hall, Wheatland School, Westosha Report and Kenosha News, emailed to interested parties list. Also posted to the Town Web Site.

Meeting was open at 6 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Butler.

Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting on 12-18 Special meeting was made by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Madson. Motion carried.

Reports:

Fire Department – Chief Denko reported that the WVFD acquired \$9,000 extraction equipment from Cudahy using their own funds. He will later present the proposals for 6614. Chairman Butler questioned the air packs disposal which are in the shed. Lou will follow up. Supervisor Wilson asked the status of the Fire Inspectors, Lou said they were down from three to one (Jerry Sherman) and potentially a second ready to go. It takes 4 months to acquire the certification and he hopes to get them back up to three inspectors.

Public Safety, Officer Santelli reported he is on course to get logged into the computer system as needed for the new equipment. The equipment should be onboard March or April. He reported some business break ins on 327th, and advised caution, and cameras to help deter further activity. He also is on track using the new ordinance in encouraging clean ups with a few more to follow up on.

No Public Comment

Class B alcohol license and tobacco license for Yogi Patel Agent for Sittin Bull located at 39600 Blomfield Rd. Powers Lake (95-4-119-074.0440) was discussed. Mr. Patel plans no changes to the site but will look into adding Volleyball courts with Zoning approval in the future. *Chairman Butler made a motion and seconded by Supervisor Wilson to approve the license for this site. Motion carried.*

Chief Denko presented documentation of work that 6614 needs to be operational including tires, repairs to the propeller, and other work costing a minimum of \$20-\$30,000 without knowing what else might be found as the truck is broken down. The truck would be out of service from 3 to 4 months while it is repaired. He spelled out options in his paperwork for

1. New Truck \$800,000 with a lead time of 27-30 months.

2. Show Demo at a lesser cost potentially.
3. Used truck from Lake Mills 10 years old, very similar to what they need with a price estimate of \$300,000 plus paint and some updates available March. Resale of 6614 may bring in 25,000 to 50,000.

Chief Denko is asking for a pre-purchase inspection of the truck in Lake Mills before we move forward. *Chairman Butler seconded by Supervisor Wilson made a motion to approve the pre-purchase inspection without a cap (expected to cost \$1500 to \$2000). Motion carried without objection.*

Supervisor Madsen spoke on the progress of EMS 2025. He stated the previous meeting was cancelled and next meeting will be on 1/15/24. Nothing to update.

Reports:

Roads – Supervisor Madsen is concerned with the large quantity of salt dropped on his street, no other concerns but the county will be notified. Survey paint on Hwy O getting ready for spring work.

Chairman Butler – nothing

Supervisor Madsen – was asked if he heard from S. Kerkman on the ATV status for O, still in the works.

Supervisor Wilson – will be attending the Comprehensive Action Plan meeting for us and asked if anyone knew of this group. She also asked about Robin Energy Storage and the status of it. It is only preliminary at this point.

Correspondence – Thank you from the Horton family was shared. Announcements
– Planning commission Meeting 1-22-24 7 p.m.

Financial Matters; It was noted the workman's comp policy for 2024 went down from \$6497.00 to \$5894.00.

Clerks repost of *Disbursements December, 2023 were approved as corrected with a motion by Chairman Butler, seconded by Supervisor Wilson. Motion carried.* Vendors \$ 60,013.75 Payroll \$12,593.22 and Liabilities \$19,554.33 for a total of \$92,161.30.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm by a motion by Chairman Butler, second by Supervisor Wilson. Motion carried.

Next meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024 at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Deuster, Clerk, Town of Wheatland.