



Town Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 8, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

The Wheatland Town Board met on Monday September 8, 2025 at 6:00 PM at the Wheatland Town Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call included:

Chairmen: Jeff Butler

Supervisor #1: Kyle Madsen

Supervisor #2: Kelly Wilson

Also in attendance were Clerk, Katie Sweatman, Wayne Kaddatz, Robert Dremer, Caroline Brown, Rob and Mary Petersen, Diane Grenus, Chris Brown and Chad Toedter

Verification of public notice for agenda –

The agenda was submitted on Thursday and Friday at the Town Hall upstairs and downstairs, Wheatland School, Facebook (Keeping Wheatland Informed) and West of the I.

Approval of Minutes of prior meetings -

A motion was made by Supervisor Madsen to approve August 25, 2025 minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Wilson. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Supervisor Wilson to approve September 3, 2025 Board of Review minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Madsen. Motion passed.

No public comments were noted.

Reports

a. Fire Department – Report by Chief Lou Denko

- 270+ calls so far this year; averaging 30 calls per month.
- Fire Safety Days scheduled with local schools in October (260 students participating).
- Food stand lacks functional fire extinguishers. Two outdated units will be replaced.
- Annual siren maintenance nearly complete; cost approx. \$10,000.
- Truck #6661 needs new tires, likely in 2026.
- Preparations underway for September 12th Battery Storage informational meeting.
- *Motion made by Chairmen Butler, seconded by Supervisor Madsen to accept the Fire Department Report. Motion carried.*

b. Public Safety

- Constable Bob remains out on medical leave for ~8 weeks.
- Sheriff's Department increasing patrols in his absence.

c. Public Comments

- Diane Grenus raised concerns regarding minors operating dirt bikes dangerously along Hwy 50 and nearby back roads.
- Discussion regarding liability and enforcement, deputies will step up presence during constable's recovery.



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a. Public Policy – Media Relations

- First reading of new media policy conducted.
- *Motion made by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Madsen to approve first reading. Motion carried.*

b. Lily Lake Boat

- Engine running rough; second opinion will be sought before replacement through Action Marine
- Cover to be replaced.

a. Road Work Updates

- Awaiting contract confirmation from asphalt contractor Chairmen Butler to call to follow up
- Discussion on remaining budget and upcoming tree removal costs. List of roads to be given to Chairmen Butler to evaluate for remainder of budget.

b. Payroll / Direct Deposit Implementation

- Clerk reported direct deposit system ready through BMO (lower cost than Intuit).
- Employees will have option to opt in; expected strong participation.

c. Office Technology & IT Support

- New IT consultant (Kris) to be introduced at next meeting.
- Interim hourly arrangement possible until formal contract reviewed.

d. Elections – Badger Books Proposal

- Clerk presented proposal to purchase 3 Badger Books (electronic poll books) at \$7,700 (includes server and printers).
- Expected to reduce election payroll and errors.

8. Announcements

- **Shredding Event** – October 11, 2025, 9–11 AM, behind Fire Department.
- **Trick-or-Treating** – October 26, 2025, 2–5 PM.
- **Battery Storage Informational Meeting** – September 12, 2025, at Fire Department.

9. Financial Matters

- Board discussed authorizing mobile deposits for Town accounts at Town Bank (Burlington branch). Clerk to contact Jeff Davison for legal advise on use of a personal phone.

11. Adjournment

Motion made by Supervisor Madsen, seconded by Supervisor Wilson to adjourn. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by:

Katie Sweatman, Town Clerk