



Town Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 9, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

The Wheatland Town Board met on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 6:00 PM at the Wheatland Town Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call

Chairmen: Jeff Butler

Supervisor #1: Kyle Madsen

Supervisor #2: Kelly Wilson

Also in attendance were Katie Sweatman, Clerk, Chad Troedter, Denise and Tom Brehm, Jaxson and Jenny Morehouse, Lou Denko, Mary and Rob Peterson, Dave Sabourn, Jeff Mille, Dan Palmer, Mark Seegers, John Lewis, Billy Paulson, Earlena Van Pelt, Regino Bark, E. Cillis, Tim Pakuski, M. Wageman, TJ and Kayla Crichton, Mark and Janet Lesko, Linda Michaels, Bruce Tate, Kegan Norgard, Rachael Daniels, Brad Hetlet, John Gilardi, Mary Ehr, John Clements, Michael Clark, Nicholas and Jessica Nolan, Kathy Streicher, Scott Hamrick, Paul Miggin, Patt Czarny, Brian Fincutter, Bob and Michelle Durkin, Chris Gorlinski, Sonja Binger, Mark Schmitt, Robert Ponsonby, Debra Moody Hetlet, Jeff and Mark Niederer, Brian Tracy, Gerald Ehr, Deanna and Ray Willstead, Dawn Clements, Jorja and Len Gilardi, Mike Podella, Nick Smith, Ryan Dougherty, Zach and Vanessa Ortiz, Richard Knox, Mike Windler, Greg Jarecki, Lorie Spiewak, Edson McCord, Diane Grenus, Debra and Andy Lois, Lisa and Robert Tietz, Jean Gruener, Ron and Linda Kujak and Ron Fosdick

Verification of Public Notice

The agenda was submitted on Thursday and Friday at the Town Hall upstairs and downstairs, Wheatland School and Facebook (Keeping Wheatland Informed), Subscription list through email, the transfer station and West of the I

Approval of prior meeting minutes

January 26, 2025

Motion made by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Madsen to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comments

Several residents spoke regarding the Robin Energy Battery Storage. Some of the outlined concerns are:

Online petition: 588 signatures, majority from Wheatland area.

Residents requested unified town messaging, mailed notices, and guidance.

Suggestions included hiring an environmental attorney, referencing other township successes stopping industrial projects.

Residents overwhelmingly expressed concerns including:

Fire risk, evacuation zones, and inability of local fire resources to respond.

Groundwater contamination and environmental impact.

Proximity to Wheatland Center School (approx. 1 mile).

Property value impacts.

Lack of transparency from developers (Robin Energies/CIP).

Concerns about a foreign investment structure and multiple LLCs.



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Contract loopholes allowing the company to avoid payments.
Fears rezoning would open the door to future industrial projects.
Requests for clearer town communication, mail notifications, and updates.
Requests for guidance on who to contact at the state and PSC.
Requests for documentation on Planning Commission votes and posting those minutes.

35 MPH Speed Limit change request for Highway KD and Highway O

Several residents discussed repeated accidents, blind hills, and vehicle passing issues.
A resolution to be drafted from the Town Attorney then to be given to Kenosha County for approval.
Options for this to included are establishing a no-passing zones and installing radar speed reminder signs. Note that a county-ordered traffic study may be required. A signed petition was given from Debra and Andy Lois for the Highway O change.

Chairman's Report

Blinking stop sign at Geneva Rd & Hwy O was stolen; new sign installed (\$1,800).

Clerk's Report

A motion was made by Supervisor Wilson to approve the expenditures report as presented, seconded by Supervisor Madsen. Motion passed.

Trail Grant Update

Discussions with RA Smith engineering indicate more planning required.
Town will consider targeting the 2027 grant cycle. Main intent: safe ATV/UTV crossing at Hwy 50.

Announcements

Document Shredding Event: April 18, 9–11 AM (in between the fire house and transfer station).
Clerk training: April 15–16.
Treasurer vacation: March 20–27.

Microphone / Audio Equipment for Meetings

A motion was made to approve up to \$1,200 for RTI microphone/speaker installation and purchase by Supervisor Madsen, seconded by Supervisor Wilson. Motion passed.

Deputy Friendly Poster Contest Donation

Annual \$100 donation—approved as standard practice.

Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Madsen. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie L. Sweatman
Town Clerk, Town of Wheatland