

NOVEMBER 9, 2011 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Glembocki at 6:40 p.m. on Monday, November 9, 2011 at the Town Hall in New Munster. He opened the meeting with the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Town Board members present – Chairman Glembocki and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Robert Herda. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler and Fire Chief Lou Denko.

Notices were posted in six public areas and the town website. The *Kenosha News* and *Westosha Report* were notified. Individuals who have requested meeting notices by e-mail were also sent agendas as required by state law.

- **Fire Dept.** – Discussion with Fire Chief Lou Denko regarding firehouse heating system and approval of replacement of overhead units.

Fire Chief Denko said the three overhead furnace heaters in the firehouse need to be replaced. They have been there 20 years, been repaired and are currently unreliable and in need of repair.

He has a price from Reliable Heating for three Reznor, 125,000 BTU units installed for \$3,900 from Reliable Heating. They are new with full warranty from a warehouse, but have dents and cosmetic damage that will not affect the performance.

Chief Denko said they looked at other choices such as infrared and hi-efficiency but the space between the ceiling and the fire trucks is too small to allow infrared heating and either type would be much more expensive. They had a price of \$6,000 last year to replace the three units but these dented models are a good replacement at a reasonable cost.

Robert Herda moved a motion to approve the proposal from Reliable Heating to replace the three overhead units at an installed cost of \$3,900. Andrew Lois seconded. Motion carried.

- **Public Comments** – none

- **Work on town budget**

The board continued to review and discuss the budget receipts and expenses. The board agreed to reconvene tomorrow to complete the budget.

Andrew Lois moved to recess the meeting at 8:35 p.m. and reconvene tomorrow, Thursday, November 10 at 1 p.m. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

November 10, 2011

Chairman Glembocki called the recessed meeting of November 9, 2011 into session at 12:35 p.m. Present were Chairman William Glembocki, and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Robert Herda. Also present: Clerk Sheila Siegler.

The board continued to discuss the 2012 budget. A budget will be proposed including a tax levy increase of \$5,545. This amounts to approximately \$6.16 for a house valued at \$350,000. This is .988 increase from last year and the limit allowed by the state. We are losing \$14,681 in shared revenue from the state and \$7,855 in transportation aids; a total of \$22,536. The special charge for the 911/address sign installation totals \$39,630. This will be a one-time charge. Total budget receipts are \$1,065,594.

Expenses proposed include an additional \$3,500 in election expense, \$5,900 less in assessing cost, \$5,000 less in law enforcement, \$5,000 less in transfer station cost, \$6,250 less in recycling, \$15,000 less in planning. An additional \$9,434 was added to road expenditures. Expenses total \$1,025,964.

Andrew Lois approved a proposed budget for 2012 – Receipts of \$1,065,594 and Expenses of \$1,025,964. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

Andrew Lois moved to adjourn the recessed meeting at 2:10 p.m. William Glembocki seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk