

AUGUST 23, 2010 WHEATLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Glembocki at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 23, 2010 at the Town Hall in New Munster.

Town Board members present – Chairman William Glembocki and Supervisors Andrew Lois and Robert Herda. Others present: Clerk Sheila Siegler, Constable Bob Haas, Fire Chief Alan Kaddatz, Tom Barr, Jack Bobula, Bill Heeg, Gail Schoch, Jerry Greil, Plan Commissioner Randy Schulz, Jeff Butler, and Darren Hillock – *West of the I* reporter.

Notices were posted in five 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. In addition, all property owners within 200 ft. of Tax Parcel #95-4-119-111-2050 were notified by First Class Mail.

Minutes of the August 9, 2010 Town Board Meeting were motioned for approval by Robert Herda and second by Andrew Lois. Motion carried.

- **Public Comments –**

Gail Schoch, 7834 328th Ave. addressed the board. She said the Lilly Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District is taxation without representation. It's a dictatorship.

She also stated the town should have "public comments" on every agenda every time you have a meeting.

- **Review application** for a Shoreland Conditional Use Permit requested by Robert & Linda Potempa, 1032 Kent, Park Ridge, IL 60068, (owner) – Tax Parcel #95-4-119-111-2050 – Location: 33321 76th St., Lilly Lake, **and review preliminary stipulations proposed by Kenosha County.** Application is for an after-the-fact construction of concrete retaining walls, boulder terraces and stairs.

The board reviewed the application and the stipulations. Part of the stairs will have to be removed. Chairman said Kenosha County and the DNR require certain rules be followed. No one had any comments or anything to add to the stipulations. Property owners within 200 ft. were notified of the meeting. There was no one present to speak on the matter. A letter of will be sent to Kenosha County stating there were no additions to the stipulations.

- **Installation of a gauge to monitor Lilly Lake water level**

Chairman said this was discussed at the August 14 lake district annual meeting. It was suggested to have the post on shore with an arm out to measure. The gauge will be removed each time. There were other suggestions from the audience such as placing a gauge on the beach fence and using a laser level to measure the height or putting a gauge on a retaining wall. Chairman tabled the matter to the September 27th town board meeting. We need to find out more information and look at the beach fence to see if that would work.

- **Fire Dept. Report –**

Chairman asked the chief, who just arrived, for a report. Chief Kaddatz said the fire department installed the air pak in the passenger side seat of Truck #6671 and also replaced the driver seat with a larger model. They continue to do mask testing. A photo of Truck #6633 – the Pierce aerial truck will be placed on the wall in the new Gateway Technical College addition in Burlington. Hwy "50" is a concern with all the road repair and route changes. Town of Burlington and Town of Lyons Fire Departments have agreed to automatically respond and assist with any calls in the NW quadrant of the town while the intersection of "P" and "50" is being worked on.

- **Discussion of Lilly Lake 77th St. ownership per letter from county treasurer**

Chairman Glembocki said we received a letter from the county treasurer who has researched this parcel and it is platted as a road on an old plat. There are numerous houses on the road and we wouldn't want one person owning it. It is similar to 85th St. in Powers Lake. It needs to be investigated further. Supervisor Lois said these property owners deserve public access like everyone else. Chairman said he will discuss this with the town attorney. Clerk was advised to contact the county treasurer to ask that they hold up on any action for the present.

- **Alcoholic Beverage Operator Licenses (Bartender)**

Justine A. Hamel, 6550 246th Ave., Salem, WI 53168 – *The Sly Fox*
Alcohol beverage server certificate and background requirements have been fulfilled.
Andrew Lois moved approval of a license for Justine A. Hamel. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

- **Reports –**

A. Road Report –

Chairman Glembocki said he signed the road paving contract today. The earliest start would be September 7th. Town Engineer Len Roecker will notify B.R. Amon on Wednesday to proceed. That sets the timeline for a 30 day window for completion.

Hwy “50” eastbound traffic will be bypassed to Geneva Rd. from 384th Ave. to Hwy “83” intersection while they are repairing the shoulder on the south side of “50.” Bypass will begin at 9 a.m., Tuesday, August 24 and should conclude by 6 a.m. on Wednesday, August 25. Chairman said the company has video-taped the bypass route. If there is damage, the contractor is supposed to reimburse the town.

B. Other Reports

1. Electronic recycling – September 1 deadline

Clerk reported the state law is effective September 1 banning most electronic items. Veolia spokesperson stated the law provides for the manufacturer to contribute money into a “pot” held by the state. A recycling company who picks up e-waste is then supposed to bill the “pot” for the costs. To date, the reimbursement program is not in place but we know that e-waste cannot go in the landfill beginning September 1st. Veolia can put a 30 yd. dumpster at the transfer station to collect e-waste but they want the town to understand we could be billed in the beginning. When asked if we can hold the items until the reimbursement program is running, Veolia said we could. The current electronic recycler can continue to collect the computer items if he wishes. The Board agreed to have Veolia place a 30 yd. dumpster and that we will have to pay if system is not working in time.

• **Announcements –**

A. September 14, 2010 – **Partisan Primary Election** – Polls open 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

B. Saturday, September 11, 2010 – **Household Hazardous Waste Program** collection for Kenosha County residents – Collection site is Village of Pleasant Prairie Municipal Center, 8600 Green Bay Rd., Pleasant Prairie – 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Jack Bobula said we should be having the hazardous waste collection at least four times a year and also hold it at the Kenosha County Center, not all the way south on Green Bay Rd. in Pleasant Prairie. People don’t want to hold household hazardous waste that long and it ends up hidden in garbage put in the compactor box. Board members were in complete agreement.

County Board Supervisor Bob Haas offered to present this to the Kenosha County Executive. The board authorized the clerk to write a letter stating our feelings on the matter.

Supervisor Lois noted there will be a Music Festival at New Munster Park on Sunday, September 5th, noon – 6 p.m. to benefit the organization for Suicide Prevention. He said it should be a good time and urged others to attend.

• **Correspondence –**

A. WI Dept. of Revenue Equalized Value Report for 2010 –

Board members reviewed the Equalized Value Report. It shows a drop of -2% for the Town of Wheatland. Equalized values are used to divide the school, county, technical college, etc. levies for property taxes.

B. WI Dept. of Administration – preliminary estimate of January 1, 2010 population – Estimate for 2010 is 3,443, a drop of 4 residents. The federal census numbers will be released early next year and used as the basis for the 2011 estimate.

C. The town has been contacted because we lease to the postal service. The post office is required to meet the accessibility requirements of the Architectural Barriers Act.

We’ve informed them we do not have money in the budget to make the modifications required. They have funds for this purpose and will undertake the work with no cost to the town.

Changes include a handicapped access aisle which needs to be striped; so, there will now be two instead of three parking spaces in front of the town office/post office entrance. Door handles must be lever type, another grab bar in the bathroom, lever faucet, and the post office service counter and inside mail drop must be modified and lowered to a 36” height.

D. Chairman Glembocki will remove the 2 hour parking sign as requested by St. Alphonsus. If parking becomes a problem, a sign can be placed further south on 344th Ave. Currently the sign interferes with handicapped access to the house across from the church that is

now being used for church offices and meeting areas.

- **Financial matters:**

- A. Purchase approval - none

- B. Other financial matters

- 1. Discussion – possible price checking for new constable squad

Chairman Glembocki said that after Constable Haas told him the squad car should be replaced, he checked with Kenosha County Sheriff Dave Beth, the Village of Twin Lakes Police Dept. and the City of Burlington Police Dept. They all had fairly similar squad replacement schedules – 4 years or 80,000 to 100,000 miles.

Constable Haas said the town squad has 106,000 miles and was purchased in October 2006. He favors selling the squad outright instead of trading. He would get estimates on the same exact squad so that all the present equipment will transfer.

Chairman Glembocki said he should talk to three different dealers and get prices both with a trade and without. If we sell outright, we should look at E-bay.

Constable Haas said a sale notice in the paper to the general public first would be his choice. He believes the minimum bid should be \$5,000.

Chairman suggested Miller Motors, Burlington; Palmen, Kenosha; and Martin, Union Grove. Chairman said he was willing to give one of his employee discounts at Chrysler to the town if it could be used and benefit the town.

Chairman said he is asking board members to authorize Constable Haas to investigate prices on a new police package squad. Andrew Lois moved to authorize Constable Haas to do so and bring back to the September 13 town board meeting. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

Constable Haas said the current squad's purchase price was \$22,350 with trade-in. He said he will need a budget modification if we do approve a new squad.

- **Adjournment –**

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on a motion from Robert Herda and second by Andrew Lois.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk