



Town of Wheatland

Vernon County, Wisconsin

Robert Streeter, Chairman
Jayne Ballwahn, Supervisor
Don Stokke, Jr., Supervisor

Gloria Binger, Treasurer
Joann Schultz, Clerk

REGULAR MEETING **JANUARY 21, 2016** **MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Wheatland Town Board was called to order at 9:12am, by Supervisor Ballwahn, with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Meeting was properly posted at the Community Center, the Redmound Store, the Recycling Center and the Town Website.

Present: Chairman Robert Streeter via Skype, Supervisor Jayne Ballwahn, Supervisor Don Stokke, Treasurer Gloria Binger and Clerk Joann Schultz.

Motion by Streeter/second by Ballwahn to, "approve the December 16th, 2015 minutes." motion carried.

Public comments: Tim Ballwahn from the Planning Commission expressed his concerns about calling a meeting requested by Chairman Streeter for discussing a Junk Ordinance.

Chairman Streeter indicated that Mississippi Sports & Rec. Inc. filed an appeal of the County Courts decision to dismissing the lawsuit.

Clerk Schultz distributed Tostrud & Temp's 2014 audit review for the Board members to review and discuss at next month's meeting. It was advised that the Town's Investment Policy should be updated. This will be presented at the next month's meeting for approval.

Kevin McCumber Reported: Plowed snow, finished sanding slick roads, moved back drifts and temporarily fixed knocked over mailbox. Fixed Community Center door seals. Replaced front spring on 4800 and new plow cable. Replaced the Grader's hydraulic oil that had water in it. Replaced locking hubs on the F350, 4x4 drive (transfer case) needs to be replaced, estimated cost is \$800. Noticed smoke in cab of truck, possible electrical fire

Town Board and Kevin discussed the advantages and disadvantages to purchasing a new mower vs. having a subcontractor mow the town roads. Chairman Streeter stated that a subcontractor includes the labor, fuel, depreciation on the equipment and the availability to have the job completed in a timely manner. The ease of removing the mower is positive. No motion was made to purchase the mower – moved to next month.

Town Board further discussed the purchase of a new truck to replace the F350. There was discussion about the size of the new truck and the justification of purchasing a 5500 vs a 4500 or 3500 Ram. Chairman Streeter requested Kevin to obtain purchase orders with delivery dates and present at the next meeting to be voted on. Kevin suggested possibly financing the truck.

Motion by Stokke /second by Streeter to, "approve building permit for Rick & Sandy Carpenter, E832 Stokke Rd for a garage.", motioned carried.

Motion by Ballwahn /second by Streeter to, "approve picnic license for the Fire Department Valentine's Dinner on February 13, 2016.", motioned carried. Stokke abstained.

Treasurer Binger presented the financial. All accounts are reconciled and balanced. December income is \$334,480.14 and Expenses are \$29,472.64. Total cash on hand, in all funds, is \$373,103.56.

Motion by Ballwahn /second by Stokke to, “approve checks #21548-215612 and EFTPS & WT6 ACH’s as presented”, motioned carried.

Motion by Stokke/second by Ballwahn to, “approve late claim checks as presented”, motioned carried. Clerk Schultz wanted to have it noted and approved in the minutes of the Patrolmen Holiday Bonus that was paid in December 2015. Motion by Ballwahn /second by Stokke to, “approve payment of the 8 hour day Patrolman Holiday Bonus in December”, motioned carried.

Board discussed sending out a mailer to the residents as a reminder of Recycling fees and Building Permit Information. This would be done in the spring newsletter.

The Fire Department report shows 3 events with 16 stipends for December.

Fire Department conducted training on new air packs and they worked great. 57 NIFIRS Reports were completed. Stokke indicated there is still some missing Fire Department paperwork, including Run Sheets that have yet to be returned from the previous Secretary. Chairman Streeter and Supervisor Ballwahn suggested writing a letter requesting the return of all paperwork and equipment or stipend checks would be withheld until returned.

Motion by Stokke/second Streeter to, “transfer \$50,000 from Money Market account to Checking.” motion carried.

Motion by Streeter/second Stokke to, “approve payment of February Tax Settlement.” motion carried.

Next regular meeting will be Thursday, February 18th, 2016 at 9:00am.

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joann Schultz, Town Clerk