



# Town of Wheatland

## Vernon County, Wisconsin

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

Gloria Binger, Treasurer  
Joann Schultz, Clerk

### REGULAR MEETING **OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2016** **MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Wheatland Town Board was called to order by Chairman Streeter, 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, Supervisor Jayne Ballwahn, Treasurer Gloria Binger and Clerk Joann Schultz. Supervisor Don Stokke was absent.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, “approve the September 26th, 2016 minutes as presented.” motion carried.

Public comments: Two residents were in attendance to get an update on the storm damage repairs. County Supervisor Mary Rae was absent.

Chairman Streeter presented the estimated disaster cost that was prepared for the Vernon County WEM team. This estimate was only made up to contribute to the total county disaster sum. The Town's estimate of \$432,292 has no final bearing on the aide the Town will receive from FEMA if the declaration is approved.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, “Accept the list of Subcontractor Emergency Agreements for labor & materials.” Motion carried.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, “Accept the authorization of renting a front-end loader from Titan.” Motion carried.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, “Authorize the Town to establish a \$500,000 LOC with an interest rate of 0.95% at Peoples State Bank to fund interim flood clean-up and re-construction expenses.” Motion carried.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, “Authorize the Chairman to be the Authorized FEMA Agent for the Town of Wheatland for recent storm/flood damage aide request.” Motion carried.

Discussion of remuneration for Authorized FEMA Agent and Town Clerk for the extra administration work related to FEMA documentation was moved to next month's meeting.

Board discussed the early payment discount the Town would receive if the LP Price Bid was accepted from Chaseburg Farmers Co-op. Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, “rescind motion made at August meeting not to accept Chaseburg Co-op's LP Gas Bid and instead to accept the price quote for Winter and Summer Fill Prices.” Motion carried.

Chairman Streeter reported the receipt of the new 5500 Dodge Town Truck. Sleepy Hollow estimated to give \$2,500 for trade-in on the F350 Town truck. Detailing should be done to improve curb appeal. Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, “Authorize the sale of the Ford F350 and plow to best price available and allow \$300 for detailing.” Motion carried.

Patrolman McCumber was absent and did not report.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, "reimburse Patrolman McCumber for lost cost of hunting permit license due to him forfeiting his vacation to continue clean-up efforts." Motion carried.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, "have Town Attorney review information on the Springborn Easement, off of Washington St, and to inquire if related residents would be interested in turning this into a town road. Gravel will be put on this easement until decided." Motion carried.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, "approve Picnic license for Wheatland Fire Department Fundraiser held November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016." motioned carried.

Treasurer Binger presented the financial reports. All accounts are reconciled and balanced. September income is \$79,803.98 and Expenses are \$100,429.95. Total cash on hand, in all funds, is \$131,842.47. Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, "accept financial reports as presented", motioned carried.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, "Accept proposed 2017 budget as presented." Motion carried.

Motion by Ballwahn/second by Streeter to, "approve checks #21930 -21955 and EFTPS & WT6 ACH's as presented", motioned carried.

Clerk Schultz presented, reviewed and explained details of the 2016 Levy Limit Worksheet. She also presented Elected Official Wages from surrounding Townships for the board to review and decide if they wanted to propose an increase in the Town Elected Officials wages. Supervisor Ballwahn recommended no increase as the current wages were more than all other townships presented except one. She also indicated this should be up to the electors to decide at the November budget meeting. Chairman Streeter indicated he would propose a 5% increase for the Treasurer and Clerk salaries.

No report from the Fire Department.

Fire / First Responders department is looking to increase the stipend of the licensed First Responders from \$15 to \$30.

Last month Supervisor Stokke presented the proposed request increase in wages for Fire/First Responders. Motion by Streeter/second by Ballwahn to, "propose an increase of FD/First Responders Wages by 5% changing total wages from \$3,200 to \$3,360." Motion carried

Motion by Ballwahn/second Streeter to, "transfer \$45,000 from Money Market accounts to Checking." motion carried.

Next regular meeting will immediately follow Budget Meeting and Special Town Meeting of the Electors that is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joann Schultz,  
Town Clerk