

TOWN OF WHEATON REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

- 1) The meeting has been properly noticed per Wisconsin Statute 19.84
- 2) The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance being recited and a moment of silence being observed.
- 3) Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mr. Deutscher, Ms. Dole, Ms. Kaiser, Ms. Rudd, Mr. Books, and Ms. Droske.
- 4) A motion was made by Rudd/Books to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.
- 5) Mr. Deutscher presented the clerk's report and check register. A motion was made by Books/Rudd to approve the December 10, 2024 board meeting minutes. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

6) Special Board Action

- A) No electors expressed interest in being appointed to fill the town chair vacancy.
- B) No electors expressed interest in being appointed to fill the fire commission vacancy.

7) Public comments: None

8) Committee Reports:

- A) Ms. Dole presented the treasurer's report.
- B) Chief Adam Blaskowski presented the fire chief report on the budget, equipment, runs, and training.
- C) Taylor Quinnell presented the Fire Commission report from the meeting held on January 8, 2025.
- D) Ms. Droske presented an update on water testing.
- E) The water nitrate map, Plan Commission member information, and 2024 budget information was updated on the website. Information on the engraved brick project, tax collection days, and non-candidacy forms were posted to the website. The town's .gov listing has also been reserved.
- F) A report from Visit Eau Claire was not available.
- G) Ms. Droske reported on the Technical Advisory Committee meeting held on January 8, 2025

9) Old Business

- A) Ms. Droske presented an update on the County T project from the meeting held on December 11, 2024.
- B) The board tabled any action on updating the Bylaws and Constitution for Wheaton Fire & Rescue to allow the town attorney to work on it further.
- C) No one has expressed interest in being appointed as the town dog catcher.
- D) Dog license fees were discussed. The board tabled the decision on dog license fees to the February board meeting.

10) New Business

- A) Ms. Rudd will work on driver background checks with assistance from the clerk.
- B) Access to the Wheaton Fire Station was discussed. The board tabled the decision on access to the Wheaton Fire Station to the February board meeting.
- C) A drawing was held to determine the order of the candidates listed on the April 2025 ballot for Town Board Supervisor. The names will be listed in the following order: Ken Books, Vinse Morning, and Mark Kohls.
- D) The results letter on the Agricultural Roads Improvement Program was read aloud. The 50th Avenue project from 50th Street to County Highway T the town submitted for that program was not selected.
- E) A motion was made by Kaiser/Rudd to go into closed session per WI Statute 19.85 (1) c for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation of any public employee over which the government

body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote. Lenny Schneider and Matt Solberg will receive a \$1.50 per hour raise and Pat Rudd will receive a \$.50 per hour raise effective on the first payroll in February.

11) Future Agenda Items: Fire Station Access, Dog License Fees, Dog Catcher Appointment, Wheaton Fire & Rescue Bylaws and Constitution, and Town Board Vice Chair Appointment.

12) The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 7pm.

13) A motion by Books/Kaiser was made to adjourn. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote at 9:56 pm.

Submitted by

Scott Deutscher

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