

TOWN OF WHEATON REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 8, 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. Kaiser, Ms. Dole, Ms. Rudd, Mr. Books, and Ms. Droske.
- 4) A motion was made by Kaiser/Droske 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 Rudd/Droske to approve the March 11, 2025 board meeting minutes. The motion carried on a 3-0 voice vote. Ms. Kaiser abstained from voting.
- 6) Special Presentation: Prochnow Assessing presented information on the revaluation of the property assessment completed for the Town of Wheaton. Residents were able ask questions and were encouraged to call the assessor to schedule an appointment to discuss their property assessment in more detail.
- 7) Special Board Action

A) A motion was made by Kaiser/Rudd to appoint Jessi Jones to the Plan Commission for a term from April 2025 to April 2028. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

B) A motion was made by Droske/Kaiser to appoint Sara Holte to the Plan Commission for a term from April 2025 to April 2028. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

C) A motion was made by Droske/Kaiser to appoint Taylor Quinnell to the Fire Commission for a term from April 2025 to April 2028. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

- 8) Public comments: Paul Krumenauer commented on the proposed wheel tax for Chippewa County residents and stated that ATV/UTV trail maps are available at the town hall.

Reminders:

The annual meeting for the Town of Wheaton will be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 7pm at the town hall.

Open Book will be held on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 from 3pm to 5pm at the town hall.

Board of Review will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 from 6pm to 8pm at the town hall.

9) Committee Reports:

A) Ms. Dole presented the treasurer's report.

B) Chief Adam Blaskowski presented the fire chief report on the budget, equipment, runs, training, and answered questions from the board.

C) The next Fire Commission meeting will be held on April 11, 2025.

D) A ground water update was not available.

E) The town budget, April 2025 election results, resolution 2025-01, and open positions on the Plan Commission and Fire Commission were posted to the website. Any contacts from the website will now be sent to all board members instead of just to the clerk.

F) No update was available from Visit Eau Claire.

G) Ms. Kaiser presented a report from the Technical Advisory Commission meeting held on March 3, 2025.

H) Mr. Books presented a report from the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission meeting held on April 8, 2025.

10) Old Business

- A) Ms. Droske presented an update on the County T project from the meeting held on March 27, 2025.
- B) The board tabled any action or discussion on ordinance 39 to the May board meeting.
- C) No one has expressed interest in being appointed as the town dog catcher.
- D) A resolution to increase dog license fees was read. A second reading will be done at the May board meeting.
- E) A motion was made by Rudd/Droske to approve the town building access policy as presented. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.
- F) The board tabled finalizing the job description for clerk and treasurer to the May board meeting.
- G) Potential road work projects for 2025 were discussed.
- H) The board tabled appointing a new town board vice chair to the May board meeting.

11) New Business

- A) The site plan for Midwest Coin Concepts for parcel 22810-2431-69100006 was presented. A motion was made by Droske/Kaiser to approve the site plan for Midwest Coin Concepts for parcel 22810-2431-69100006 as presented. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.
- B) The board tabled any updates to the town board areas of focus to the May board meeting.
- C) Adjustments to the 2025 town budget were discussed. A motion was made by Rudd/Droske to add \$48,500 to the transfer from general fund, add \$32,000 to park maintenance, and add \$16,500 to road maintenance. The motion carried on a 4-0 roll call vote.
- D) The board discussed having the Plan Commission audit all town ordinances.
- E) The application submitted for the American Trails Capacity Grant is being review and the results should be available soon.
- F) A motion was made by Droske/Rudd to approve the bartender license application received by the clerk. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.
- G) A motion was made to appoint Brian Anderson as the cemetery sexton and the compensation will remain the same. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.
- H) Village/City requirements for the Town of Wheaton were presented and discussed. The town does not currently meet the village/city requirements at this time. The property annexation process and an alternative to using a cooperative boundary plan agreement were also discussed.

12) Future Agenda Items: Dog license fees, new dog catcher, 2025 road work, clerk and treasurer job descriptions, fire department bylaws and constitution, town board areas of focus, American Trails Capacity Grant application update, and appointing a new vice chair.

13) The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 7pm.

14) A motion by Droske/Kaiser was made to adjourn. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote at 9:55 pm.

Submitted by

Scott Deutscher

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Town Clerk