

# Minutes FOR TOWN OF WILSON, September 7, 2021

**CALL TO ORDER & DECLARATION OF OPEN MEETING:** Chairman Ehmann called the Town of Wilson Board Meeting to order. Posting in accordance with open meeting law was confirmed by affidavit of posting and the meeting was declared an open meeting. Meeting was held via Zoom which complies with open meeting laws.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Ehmann, Supervisors Nancy DesJardins, Brian Hoffmann, Matt Fore, Tom Stoelb was absent. Also, in attendance: Clerk Julie Wicker, Treasurer Kari Mooney, and Maintenance Supervisor Rick Meyer.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Was cited.

## **Public comment.**

Tim Osterman asked the Chair if the Town was bringing in Sharp shooters to control the deer population in the Town of Wilson. Chairman Ehmann replied that this is just a rumor. Ehmann explained that the public comment portion of the meeting isn't for asking question, it is for comments only and if anyone needs to ask a question, please call any of the board members or the Town office.

Jean & Bill Wagner comment on the deer population. Deer are over running their property and eating more of the plants. Many of their neighbors are doing short term rental. They feel it changes the feel of the neighborhood. There might be guidelines that the Town might need to put in place for short term rentals.

Dori Nemeth comment on the band on deer feeding and should be enforced. She also spoke about the short-term rental and asked that the rules be enforced in the Town.

Marshall Krugel comment on the short-term rental and enforcing the ordinances.

## **APPOINTMENTS / NEW & OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. Approval of the draft minutes, August 16, 2021.** Motion by Fore second by DesJardins to approve the August 16, 2021, minutes, all members voted aye, motion carried.
- 2. Discussion and action on noncompliant trailer home rental at 342 Pioneer Road.**  
Chairman Ehmann informed the board that the trailer rental at 342 Pioneer Road will cease immediately. The board does not have any right to have the trailer hauled off his property. Supervisor DesJardins said that the City of Sheboygan has an ordinance that states a trailer needs to be on a concrete slab. Chairman Ehmann commented that we need to investigate our ordinance on this. He also said that he would be in contact with the resident at 342 Pioneer Road.
- 3. Discussion and possible action to amend Chapter 68 Citation and Penalties for Town Ordinance Violations to include penalties for violation of zoning ordinances.**  
This is related to the rental ordinance. Motion by Fore second by Hoffmann to amend Chapter 68 Citation and Penalties for Town Ordinance Violations to include penalties for violation for zoning ordinances. The amount will be \$250.00, all members voted aye, motion carried.
- 4. Discussion on regulation of short-term rentals in the Town of Wilson.**  
Advantages to the Town is that a person would need to get a license from the Town. If you rent your home out for longer then 10 day you need to obtain a license. Also, the Town can put in the ordinance's stipulations such as parking regulations, noise, etc. This way the Town can issue violations or not issue a renewal of a license as well as know whom in the Town is renting out their property.  
Supervisor Fore hasn't seen a problem with the Airbnb's in the Town and feels that it benefits the Town for others to see the beauty the Town offers.  
Supervisor DesJardins asked if the Town can ask residents to do conditional use permits?  
Chairman Ehmann said that this is not recommended. Other municipalities have special ordinances outside of the zoning that require a license for this. This requires the Town to regulated them. Tax can also be charged for short term rentals. Campers are Not allowed to be rented in any zoning in the Town of Wilson. The Chairman will work with the attorney on the topic.

5. **Discussion on the deer population in the Town of Wilson.**

Supervisor DesJardins has received many emails on this subject against the size of the herd of deer. She gave information from the DNR and mapping data on this subject. Caan's has a list they have that DesJardins has, or anyone can obtain one at Caan's for a list for plants that the deer populations don't like. Sharp shooters are not the way to go to lower the deer population.

Supervisor Hoffmann said that many residents were happy with the decisions with the shooters to lower the population size.

Chair Ehmann ask if there was a process that the Town went through the last time sharp shooters were hired. The board decided that they would investigate a company to look at options at local estimates and bring this back to the board.

Supervisor Fore and DesJardins will work together to get insights and bring this back to the board when they get some information on this topic.

6. **Discussion and possible action on the Oostburg Fire Department 2022 budget and Fire Partners contract.**

There is no increase in their budget from last year. The budget for Oostburg Fire Dept. is split between: Oostburg, Wilson, Lima, Holland. Chair Ehmann will be speaking with Dave Huenink to ask some for some clarification about the contract that are in questions. This topic will be moved to the next agenda.

7. **Update and discussion to the Emergency Response Plan for the Town of Wilson.**

Supervisor DesJardins spoke about the delta variance that is happening around the world. The board has decided to keep the Town office closed at this time. They will look at this topic again in a couple months. Supervisor Hoffmann and Fore agreed to keep the office closed.

8. **Discussion on special charges (\$50.00) on property tax bills for the waste and recycling center in the Town of Wilson. Specifically, the topic of assessing fees on tax parcels with only accessory buildings will be discussed.** This topic will be moved to the October 4, 2021, agenda.

9. **Discussion and possible action to purchase a dump truck.**

Motion by Hoffmann second by Fore to purchase a new dump truck for the maintenance department for a total of \$56,691.00 out of the 2022 budget, all members voted aye, motion carried.

10. **Discussion and possible action for purchase of three (3) maintenance overhead garage doors. Doors in 2021 budget but need board approval per dollar amount.**

Motion by Fore second by DesJardins to approve the purchase of the maintenance overhead garage doors by G&F Overhead Doors from Cleveland in the amount of \$4007. all members voted aye; motion carried.

11. **Black River Advancement Association; Application for a Temporary Picnic License, Class "B" at 435 Indian Mound Road.** Motion by Hoffmann second by Fore to approve the Black River Advancement Association application for a Temporary Picnic License, Class "B" at 435 Indian Mound Road, all members voted aye, motion carried. The Board would suggest that the garage doors be left open for this event.

12. **New and Renewal Operator License Applications for period July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022.**

Motion by Fore second by DesJardins to approve the Operator License Application for Nara Detienne for the period of July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022, all members voted aye, motion carried. Motion by Fore second by DesJardins to approve the Operator License Application for Tom Detienne for the period of July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022, all members voted aye, motion carried. Motion by Fore second by DesJardins to approve the Operator License Application for Nichole Bruggink for the period of July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022, all members voted aye, motion carried.

13. **CUP 2-year compliance review, discussion, and possible motion.** None currently

14. **Public Comment:**

Melissa Kaule spoke about the short-term rental.

Bella Regins – spoke about the deer population.

[humansociety.org/resource/controlling-deer-populations-humanely](https://humansociety.org/resource/controlling-deer-populations-humanely)

[humansociety.org/resource/what-do-about-deer](https://humansociety.org/resource/what-do-about-deer)

Dan Margineanu – spoke about the deer population

Mary Faydash- spoke about the deer population and the science around it. Rental properties owners should also look at when people in the Town are able to rent their homes.

Jayne Zabrowski spoke about sharpshooter and is against them. The Town needs to look at the science behind this. The town needs to have an ordinance on the short-term rental.

15. **Reports:**

- a. **Rick Meyer - Maintenance Meyer** – Timberlake Road shoulder road is being finished. The centerline work will be finished after that.
- b. **Kari Mooney – Treasurer** – Balance sheet, cash balances, activity, annual department report, Fire Dept, activity reports and financial information was shared. Mooney received her clerk/treasurer’s certificate.
- c. **Sheriff Report** – Report is in the packets.
- d. **Julie Wicker – Clerk** – Wicker received her clerk’s certificate.
- e. **Supervisors Reports – Supervisor**  
Supervisor DesJardins asked if waste management paid the invoices that we submitted to them. Treasurer Mooney said no, and the suggestion was that we should deduct the invoice dollar amount off the invoice for our monthly bill.  
The tour of Black River book is out and apply to be purchased. The donations will go to Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice.  
Chairman Ehmann will not be at the next meeting and Supervisor Fore was nominated to run the meeting. The Planning commission meeting will be at 6:30pm and our attorney Matt Parmentier will be present. He asked that the board members attend the meeting.

16. **Disbursement Reports: Town of Wilson-** Motion by DesJardins second by Hoffmann to approve the Town of Wilson check numbers 22771-22793 in the amount of \$33,357.86 all members voted aye; motion carried.  
Motion by DesJardins second by Hoffmann for the Town’s payroll dated September 9, 2021, in the \$7,132.95. all members voted aye; motion carried.
17. **The Town Board intends to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data for any public employee over which the Town has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. This concerns matters relating to hiring and/or compensation for the Code Enforcement Officer (s).** Motion by Fore, second by Hoffmann to move into closed session. Roll Call Vote, Chairman Ehmann, Aye, Supervisor DesJardins Aye, Supervisor Hoffmann Aye, Supervisor Fore Aye, Supervisor Stoelb was absent. Moved into Closed session.
18. **Discussion on Ordinance Enforcement officer hiring process.** Motion to move back into open session. Reposting of the ad has been decided by the board.
19. **The Town Board intends to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the Board has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. During the closed session, the Board will discuss performance reviews of Town employees/appointees. (Roll Call Vote Required).** Motion by Fore, second by DesJardins to move into closed session. Roll Call Vote, Chairman Ehmann, Aye, Supervisor DesJardins Aye, Supervisor Hoffmann Aye, Supervisor Fore Aye, Supervisor Stoelb was absent. Moved into Closed session.
20. **Convene into open session.** Motion to move back into open session.
21. **Adjourn -** Motion by Fore second by DesJardins to adjourn at 9:50 pm, all member voted aye, motion carried.

**Minutes by Julie Wicker**