

Town of Vienna Board Meeting Minutes Monday, July 7, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Lonnie Breggeman. Supervisors Gary Endres, Jeff Freppon, Dave Ripp, Ron Rupp and Clerk Shawn Haney were present. Also present: Leo Maney, Monte Lamer, Don Schmidt, Jim Koltes and Boyce Cuttrell.

After the Pledge of Allegiance there was a motion by Rupp, 2nd by Endres to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2014 regular board meeting. All yes.

Public comment: Boyce Cuttrell appeared before the board to ask for an additional driveway for his residence at 7082 Patton Road. The town driveway ordinance states that one driveway is allowed per acre, up to a maximum of 2. Mr. Cuttrell owns 1.075 acres. There is also a concern about visibility where he wants to put the second driveway. The board informed Mr. Cuttrell that they needed to stick with the language of the ordinance and that an additional driveway would not be allowed.

Clear Horizons – The board met with Leo Maney and Monte Lamer of Clear Horizons regarding a payment in lieu of taxes, also known as a payment for municipal services. There was a lengthy discussion about the financial situation at the digester, the legislative action that resulted in the digester now being tax exempt, and the financial impact on the town. The town has a decrease of \$7.1 million dollars in assessed value due to the digester now being tax exempt. If no agreement is reached it will likely result in a town tax increase of .10 per \$1,000 of assessed value for other town property taxpayers. Mr. Maney expressed a desire to change the language regarding the ongoing maintenance of Cuba Valley Road in exchange for the payment in lieu of taxes. The clerk will work on that language and Mr. Maney will discuss further with the Clear Horizons CEO.

Zoning Petition 10676 – Dane County added a condition to the Richgels rezoning on Pine Spring Road. No building is allowed on the easternmost 120 feet of the newly created lot. When conditions are added by the county, they must come back to the town for action. The Richgels' are aware of the restriction and did not object to it. Motion by Endres, 2nd by Ripp to approve the additional condition on zoning petition 10676. All yes.

Zoning Petition 10680 – Dane County included a condition that the existing LC-1 property at 7549 Dunroven Road be rezoned when the new building is complete at the new address. The Plan Commission and Town Board had included this as a condition of approval, so we are not sure why it was sent back for approval again. Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Freppon to approve the condition on zoning petition 10680. All yes.

North Mendota Parkway – We were asked to support the North Mendota Parkway Initiative. It involves passing a resolution and possibly attending a few minutes. It was decided to support the initiative. A resolution will be prepared for the next board meeting.

Resolution 07-07-14 Opposition to Interstate Interchanges – The resolution formalizes the town's position in opposition to Interchanges at Cuba Valley and Windsor/River Roads. We have been informed by the Village of DeForest that they will not be pursuing an application for an interchange at either location. Motion by Endres, 2nd by Rupp to approve Resolution 07-07-14. All yes.

Resolution 07-07-14-1 ETZ Area – The resolution requests that the Village of DeForest return farmland in the current ETZ area to Dane County since they are not willing to update their farmland preservation ordinance. Motion by Ripp, 2nd by Endres to approve Resolution 07-07-14-1. All yes.

Operator's Licenses – Motion by Freppon, 2nd by Rupp to approve an Operator's License for Bruce Knutson at Shell One Stop. All yes. Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Freppon to approve an Operator's License for Lori Krey at All Stop, Inc. All yes. Motion by Ripp, 2nd by Rupp to approve an Operator's License for Maria Gee at All Stop, Inc. All yes.

Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Rupp reported that DeForest Fire met on July 2nd. The Chief has been elected President of the Wisconsin Fire Chief's Association. They continued discussion about staffing the second ambulance. Supervisor Ripp reported that the Dane Fire Board has a representative from Baker Tilly coming to their next meeting to discuss an audit. Discussion continues on the operating agreement. Chairman Breggeman reported that the DeForest Senior Center meets tomorrow night. Supervisor Freppon reported that Waunakee EMS meets on Thursday. Supervisor Endres reported that Waunakee Fire is working on their budget. They currently budget \$75,000 per year for future equipment expenses and they may try to raise it by \$25,000 per year. The new truck is in service. They were able to get the truck in service for under \$50,000.

Town Clerk's Report

- Storm Damage Update – Several residents had tree damage from the June 18th storm. Numerous downed trees were brought to the brush site. We had a few trees that went down on town roads, but no damage to town buildings or equipment. 7 large power poles went down on County V between Patton Road and Schumacher Road.

- Town Hall Buildings and Ground Update – The asbestos was removed from the old shop and the electrical service was disconnected. Diehl Neumaier will hopefully be here this week to start the removal of the building. The landscapers have been working on the ponds and other areas that need finishing. When the power went out during the storm, problems were discovered with the emergency lighting in the new building. The electrician came back and fixed the problems. The final coat of blacktop is being held until the old shop is down. If we decide to blacktop that area, it can be done at the same time, saving us a mobilization charge.
- Tractor Update – The tractor is at Carl F Statz and Sons being repaired. The oil cooler gasket was leaking. We are waiting for parts. Once it is put back together we will be able to determine if that gasket was the problem, or if there is a problem with the head gasket. Depending on what we hear, we may have to rent a tractor for a short time to mow, as some of the intersections are becoming unsafe due to tall grass.
- Town of Burke/Tourism Commission – We received a letter from the Town of Burke dated June 30, 2014 stating that they too will be leaving the DeForest Area Tourism Commission effective December 21, 2014.
- Interstate Mowing – An agreement was in place since Highway V was expanded to four lanes that the Town would mow the west side and the village would mow the east side. In 2013 the village stopped mowing it. Last week I got a call from a Dane County Highway supervisor about why the medians were not mowed on the east side of the Interstate. I explained the previous agreement to him and asked him to call the Village of DeForest.
- Brush Site – We are having problems with people driving down through the ditch to gain access to the site. We do not know if it is people that are too lazy to come get the key, or if it is from non-residents. Steps will be taken to prevent people from driving in through the ditch, and to identify the offenders.

Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Ripp to pay current town bills in the amount of \$54,256.88 (Utility 1 = \$783.65, Utility 2 = \$248.76, Payroll = \$4,656.98, and Town General = \$48,565.49) All yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Prepared by: Shawn Haney, Clerk

Notes: These draft minutes are subject to approval at the July 21, 2014 Town Board Meeting.