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February Primary Election

The Town of Vienna will have a Primary Election on Tuesday, February 16th. There are 3 candidates running for Wisconsin Supreme Court. That is the only race on the ballot. **A reminder that Voter ID will be in effect for this and all future elections. For more information on what IDs are allowed to be used, call the town office or visit the Election Information tab on the town website.** In person absentee ballots for the February 16th election will be available in the clerk's office from February 1 through February 12. If you are coming in to vote during that 2 week period, please call ahead to make sure someone is here. The office will be closed on Wednesday, February 3rd for DNR training and there are a couple other times where the office may be closed due to outside meetings. More information about the April 5, 2016 election will be included in the March and April 2016 Town Newsletters.

Town Office Candidates

The following candidates have filed nomination papers for Town Offices for the 2016-2018 term. Their names will appear on the ballot for the April 5, 2016 General Election. Supervisor III: Gary Endres. Supervisor IV: Ron Rupp.

Publication of Agendas/Notices

In November 2015 the law was changed regarding publication of legal notices for towns. 2015 Wisconsin Act 79 now allows for towns to post legal notices in one location and on the town's official website. The agenda for the 1st Town Board meeting each month is always included in the monthly newsletter. We will continue with that practice since the newsletter is delivered to each home prior to the first monthly meeting. We will continue to publish agendas in the DeForest and Waunakee papers for Plan Commission, Special Meetings, Annual Meeting, Budget Meeting, and the 2nd monthly Board meeting. All notices/agendas will be posted at the town hall and on the town website. Minutes from the monthly board meetings will be published in the newsletter each month as they have been in the past. Plan Commission minutes are posted on the website each month and are available for review/inspection at the town hall during normal business hours.

Illegal Roadside Dumping

The DeForest Times-Tribune called the town office on Friday, January 15th to let us know that they had been contacted by someone regarding items being dumped in a ditch. The newspaper wanted to know if this is a recurring problem. The answer— yes it is. In 2015 we had items dumped in our town ditches several times each month. The list of items is endless: car batteries, tires, furniture, appliances, tvs, deer carcasses, and rotten pumpkins just to name a few. We believe that the majority of these items are being dumped by non residents of the town. When items are dumped town employees have to clean up the mess. We have had damage to the town mower because of items that have been dumped. Please help us take pride in our town by keeping it clean. If you witness someone dumping things in a ditch, try to get the license number of the vehicle and report it to the Dane County Sheriff's Office. If residents have items that you are not sure how to dispose of, call the town office and we will help figure out what to do with them.

April Referendum



In December the Town Board approved an ordinance that will result in a referendum on the April ballot. There will be a question asking if the Town Clerk's position should change from elected to appointed. There are many reasons to support this change. More information will be included in March and April newsletters.

Town of Vienna Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 4, 2016

This regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Lonnie Breggeman. Supervisors Gary Endres, Karen Ingalls, Steve Ruegsegger, Ron Rupp, and Clerk Shawn Haney were present. Also present: Don Schmidt, Jim Koltes, Josh Wescott and Joe Pruski from the DeForest Times-Tribune.

Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Ruegsegger to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2015 regular board meeting. All yes.

Public Comment – None.

DaneCom – Josh Wescott from the Dane County Executive's Office was present and gave an update on the DaneCom System. Tower work is being completed and they are adding 5 additional tower sites to the system. Several million dollars was added to the county's capital budget to accomplish adding these extra towers. They are being added at DeForest, Rockdale, Stoughton, Brigham County Park and the Town of Deerfield. The DeForest location is the State Patrol Headquarters tower. They are on schedule for completion of the tower sites in the summer of 2016. After testing is completed they are hoping to be able to turn the system back on in the fall of 2016. There was discussion about whether they should keep the system running while they installed the new towers, or whether they should turn it off, get it all improved, and then turn it back on. They opted to get all of the improvements done first before it gets turned back on. There was discussion about a lack of updates. Josh explained that they have met with the Dane County Towns Association and the cities and Villages Association to provide updates. That information does not always get relayed to the towns. It was suggested that regular updates come from the Radio System Administrator in the future.

Windsor ETJ Area – A map was shown that includes the potential Village of Windsor Extraterritorial Jurisdiction that extends 1.5 miles from their border. Windsor does not want to remove the ETJ provision from their ordinance and suggested that we discuss application of procedures when we discuss a boundary agreement. Atty. Mitby has been in contact with their Attorney, Connie Anderson. Boundary agreement discussions should be able to start this spring.

Operator's License(s) – None.

Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Rupp reported that DeForest Fire meets next Monday. Supervisor Ruegsegger reported that Dane Fire meets on Wednesday. Chairman Breggeman reported that the DeForest Senior Center meets next Tuesday. Supervisor Ingalls reported that Waunakee EMS meets next Thursday. Supervisor Endres reported that Waunakee Fire cancelled their December meeting and will meet at the end of January.

Town Clerk's Report

- 2015 Building Inspection Report – There were 64 permits issued including 6 new homes and 2 commercial buildings. That compares to 53 permits including 4 new homes in 2014 and 48 permits including 7 new homes in 2013.

- Tourism Commission – The Tourism Commission continues to meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 10AM at Comfort Inn. The new billboard is up at the Dane/Columbia line eastbound. The BMX Track operators recently gave an update on the improvements made at their facility. They now have blacktop corners and lighting. The commission has entered in to a joint advertising agreement with Norske Nook and the UW Badgers. We are already in compliance with the law change that requires 70% of room tax to be used for tourism promotion. We will be preparing for new reporting requirements that take effect in 2016.

- Chamber Dinner – The annual DeForest Area Chamber Dinner will be Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at the Comfort Inn. In the past the town has paid for 4 people to attend. After discussion it was decided to offer two tickets to the owners of Reynolds Rigging & Crane.

Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Ruegsegger to pay current town bills in the amount of \$16,598.91

(Utility 1 2015 = \$2,968.45, Utility 1 2016 = \$25.97, Utility 2 2015 = \$1,119.27, Utility 2 2016 = \$49.97, Payroll 2015 = \$6,833.22 includes quarterly Plan Commission and Board Wages and Town General = \$5,602.03 All yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Prepared by: Shawn Haney, Clerk

Note: These minutes were approved at the January 18, 2016 Town Board Meeting.

Town of Vienna Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 18, 2016

This regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Lonnie Breggeman. Supervisors Gary Endres, Karen Ingalls, Steve Ruegsegger, Ron Rupp, and Clerk Shawn Haney were present. Also present: Jim Koltes (7:03 P.M.)

Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Ruegsegger to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2015 regular board meeting. All yes.

Public Comment – None.

Reception Barn CUP – The Plan Commission reviewed a request from Tim Foulker/Ashley Porter for a Conditional Use Permit for a reception barn at 6538 Schumacher Road. The Plan Commission reviewed in October, held a public hearing in November and reviewed more information in January. There were several concerns about safety, noise, traffic and regulation of alcohol as well as it not being consistent with the town land use plan. The Plan Commission recommended denial of the CUP. Motion by Endres, 2nd by Ingalls to accept the Plan Commission recommendation for denial of the Conditional Use Permit. All yes.

Operator's License(s) – None.

Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Rupp reported that DeForest Fire sent members to the funeral for the Endeavor Firefighter. They received a \$2,000 donation to the replacement of hoses. They are investigating using LifeQuest for billing for fire calls involving non-residents. The operating agreement is still being reviewed by DeForest and Windsor attorneys. They are still investigating the possibility of coming up with a uniform fire ordinance that could be used in all communities. Supervisor Ruegsegger reported that Dane Fire is still working on their operating agreement. They are working from different draft copies. Clerk Haney will send Supervisor Ruegsegger the draft copy on file here.

Chairman Breggeman reported that the DeForest Senior Center continues to work on their space needs study. Supervisor Ingalls reported that Waunakee EMS hired 3 new employees. They also approved a new employee handbook. Supervisor Endres reported that Waunakee Fire meets next Monday.

Town Clerk's Report

- 2015 Budget to Actual – Final numbers for the 2015 budget were reviewed. Line items for fuel and repairs were under budget. We were not billed by Advanced Disposal for trash/recycling in December so that will have to get carried over to 2016 and noted on a future budget resolution.

- Spring Election Information – There will be a Spring Primary election on Tuesday, February 16, 2016. The only race on that ballot will be for Wisconsin Supreme Court. The Spring General election will be Tuesday, April 5, 2016. There are no contested races for our local races, the school board race or our county board seat. The Presidential Primary will be held as part of the April 5th election.

- Voting Machine Update – When we purchased the new voting machine we opted to pay for it in three installments with no interest. We received the final bill from Dane County and it is being paid as part of the bills for tonight's meeting.

- Bristol/Windsor Lawsuit – The Town of Bristol filed a lawsuit challenging Windsor's incorporation. That resulted in several meetings last week to try to get boundary agreements resolved. They came to an agreement and the lawsuit was dismissed last Friday. We completed a draft of a boundary agreement and it has been sent to Windsor for their review. It was suggested that Windsor pay for the mapping that will be a part of the agreement, as it was their action that made a boundary agreement necessary. We are waiting for their response.

Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Ruegsegger to pay current town bills in the amount of \$1,642,912.70 (Utility 1 = \$581.25, Utility 2 = \$99.85, Payroll = \$4,610.04, Tax Overpayment Refunds = \$2,190.91, Town General \$32,922.38 and Payments to Dane County, State, MATC and School Districts = \$1,602,508.27 All yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Prepared by: Shawn Haney, Clerk

Note: These draft minutes are subject to approval at the February 1, 2016 Town Board Meeting.

Vienna Town Board Meeting Agenda Monday, February 1, 2016

The Vienna Town Board will meet on Monday, February 1, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall, located at 7161 County Highway I, DeForest, WI. The agenda for that meeting includes the following:

Call the regular Town Board meeting to order, recite the Pledge of Allegiance, approve or amend the minutes of the January 18, 2016 regular board meeting.

Public comment.

Operator's License(s).

Town Supervisor Reports

Town Clerk's Report

 DNR Response to 2014 CMAR Reports

 Windsor/Vienna Boundary Agreement Update

 Fuel Tank Inspection

Review and authorize payments of current town and utility bills, wages and expenses.

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