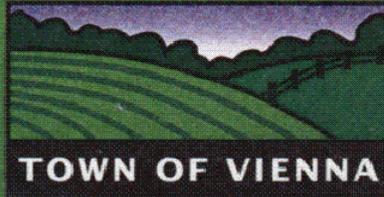


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VOTER ID IN EFFECT FOR NOVEMBER ELECTION

The Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that Voter ID will be in effect for the November 4, 2014 General Election. A flyer has been prepared that discusses Voter ID in detail. There are printed copies available in the Town Hall vestibule. You can also download it from the town website under the Election Information tab. If you currently have a valid ID card, Driver's License or Passport, you can use that to vote. If you do not have a valid ID card, the flyer will help you with instructions on how to obtain one prior to the election. You can also view information from the Government Accountability Board website: <http://gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/photo-id> If you request an absentee ballot by mail, you must include a copy of the Photo ID with the request for the absentee ballot. **In person absentee voting in the Clerk's Office is available from October 20th through October 31st.** You will be required to show Photo ID when voting in the Clerk's Office as well. There will be two different ballots for this election. Voters in the DeForest, Lodi and Poynette School Districts will have one ballot. Voters in the Waunakee School District will have a separate ballot due to their two referendum questions. There are two other statewide referendum questions on the ballot regarding a State Transportation Fund and Minimum Wage. Sample ballots are available for viewing in the vestibule at the Town Hall and on the town website under the Election Information tab.

Waunakee School Referendum

An informational meeting about the Waunakee School Referendum will be held here at the Vienna Town Hall on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 from 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Representatives from the Waunakee School District will be present to discuss the building proposal, the referendum questions, and take questions. An updated cost and tax impact sheet has been prepared. Copies are available in the town hall vestibule, and on the town website under the Waunakee School Referendum tab. The costs are proposed to be spread out over several years to lessen the impact on property tax bills.

Voter Registration

This topic has been included in several newsletters with very few results. If you have turned 18 and have never voted, have moved within the town, or have moved into the town and have not voted here yet, you need to register to vote here. Save yourself some time on Election Day and register **PRIOR** to the election. Stop in or call the clerk's office at **608-846-3800** for more information.

Brush Site Information

The brush site will be open for the final two Saturdays, October 4th and October 18th from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Residents are encouraged to take advantage of the open dates to dispose of tree branches, brush, grass and other yard waste. We know that there is a lot of material that needs to be disposed of in November, but we try to use that time to clean the site up prior to winter. Your help in getting items there in October is appreciated.

Town of Vienna Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 2, 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: Don Schmidt and Jim Koltes.

After the Pledge of Allegiance there was a motion by Endres, 2nd by Ripp to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2014 regular board meeting. 4-0 yes with Supervisor Freppon abstaining.

Public comment: None.

Operator's Licenses – Motion by Ripp, 2nd by Freppon to approve an Operator's License for Logan Kummerow at Phillips 66. All yes.

Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Rupp reported that DeForest Fire held a budget meeting on August 20th. Preliminary numbers show us with a \$4,000 increase for next year. They are including staffing the 2nd ambulance and making the fire inspector a full time separate position. They have another meeting scheduled for Sept 3rd. Supervisor Ripp reported that the Dane Fire Board heard a presentation from a Baker Tilly representative. She will be looking at financials going back to 2011 and basically balancing the checkbook back that far. Their 40 year old tank truck is leaking again. They also need to replace the tires on all of the fire trucks as they are over 7 years old. Chairman Breggeman reported that the DeForest Senior Center meets next Tuesday. Supervisor Freppon reported that Waunakee EMS meets next week. Supervisor Endres reported that Waunakee Fire has one truck with tires that need to be replaced. They also had a discussion about Clear Horizons and their tax exempt status.

Town Clerk's Report

- Town Hall Project Update – Payne & Dolan put the final coat of blacktop down on Friday August 29th. They were going to stripe the parking spaces over the weekend but were delayed by the rain. That should get done this week.
- Road Projects Update – Widening was finished and blacktopping done on Cuba Valley Road. A change was made to the culvert at Richard Endres' driveway to alleviate the steep ditches that were created when the culvert was installed. The undercutting was less than predicted. Overall we should be under the amount budgeted. We are still waiting for word from Payne & Dolan as to when Hahn Road will be done.
- Waunakee School Project Update – Superintendent Guttenberg and Board Member Wade Hansen came out on Sept 25th to go over the referendum proposal. They left informational sheets that have been placed in the Town Hall vestibule. Information has also been placed on the town website and an informational meeting has been scheduled here at the Town Hall on October 14th.
- Dane Com Update – Still no new date on when burn in will be started. Weekly testing and check in continues.
- Clear Horizons Update – Leo Maney advised today that they are not ready to commit to the payment in lieu of taxes. He inquired if the language in the PILOT agreement about the road was intended to replace the language in the previous agreement. It was confirmed to him that that is our intention.
- DeForest Farmland Preservation Update – A meeting with DeForest Village President Judd Blau was held on August 25th where we clarified our position about returning the farmland to Dane County for zoning purposes. It will be a topic on the agenda for the joint meeting on September 10th.
- Joint Meeting Reminder – The joint meeting with DeForest, Windsor and Burke will be held on Wednesday September 10th at the DeForest Public Safety Building.
- Sheriff's Office Call Report – Deputy Bennett provided a listing of the calls in the town from 5/5/14 to 8/11/14.
- Clean Fill Site – Paul Munz asked for permission to allow contractors to use the clean fill site on Friday, September 19th from 7P-10P for the Walgreen's parking lot reconstruction. After a brief discussion the board agreed this would be OK.

Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Endres to pay current town bills in the amount of \$227,317.40 (Utility 1 = \$25.97, Utility 2 = \$48.14, Payroll = \$4,338.85, and Town General = \$222,904.44) All yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Prepared by: Shawn Haney, Clerk

Notes: These minutes were approved at the September 15, 2014 Town Board Meeting.

Town of Vienna Special Board Meeting Minutes Joint Meeting with Town of Burke, Town of Windsor and Village of DeForest

**DeForest Public Safety Building/Courtroom
305 E. Holum St., DeForest, WI**

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairman Lonnie Breggeman. Supervisors Gary Endres, Jeff Freppon, Dave Ripp, Ron Rupp and Clerk Shawn Haney were present. Also present: 2 members of the Town of Burke Board, 5 members of the Town of Windsor Board and 6 members of the Village of DeForest Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Appearances: None.

DeForest Area Tourism Commission – It was explained that the Town of Vienna and Town of Burke have both given notice to leave the Tourism Commission at the end of 2014. Windsor Chairman Wipperfurth questioned why we are leaving. Chairman Breggeman explained that we would like to promote the Highway V intersection and we can do it better on our own. The Town of Burke explained that they feel they are not getting much "bang for the buck" and too much is spent on administrative fees. There was a discussion about promoting tourism, the things we have to promote in our area and "putting heads in beds". There was a discussion about collaborating on these types of things vs. doing them on our own. No action was taken. The discussion on this topic went until 6:35 P.M.

After this discussion the two Town of Burke board members were informed that they could stay, but could also leave if they desired.

Windsor Incorporation – Windsor Chairman Wipperfurth explained that they had 4 Town Hall meetings. Each had a different focus. Utilities, Committees & Commissions, Residents and Agriculture were discussed. Each meeting lasted about 1.5 hours and attendance varied from 20 to about 40 or 50 people. There was strong interest in seeing what incorporation would look like. The next step is to do a fiscal analysis. One person spoke in favor of merger. The others were in favor of incorporation. Chairman Wipperfurth stated that if they go ahead with this, they are not going to stop cooperating with each other. Bruce Stravinski commented that people have contacted him and they are in favor of incorporation. Jeff Miller inquired as to the current difference in tax rates. A comment was made that Windsor would be able to maintain their identity and heritage if they incorporated. A question was asked why they would need to incorporate. One of the main reasons is to protect their borders. Judd Blau commented that DeForest has not said they were against it, but they think merger is better. The discussion on this topic ended at 7:20 P.M.

Community & Senior Center – There was discussion about how much of the building is used as a senior center vs. a community center.

How should the building be used? Director Green stated they facilitate what the community wants but they are not staffed to do both. Their priority now is on seniors. There was discussion about the purchase of the old clinic property. A question was asked as to whether the 3 communities would support funding \$150,000 towards the purchase price. Several people commented that they wanted to see what the vision is for the future. Commission members stated they have not gotten that far and would prefer to secure the property before they do that. No decisions were made. The DeForest Village Board will discuss it at a future meeting. The discussion on this topic lasted until 8:07 P.M.

Fire & EMS Governance Structure – There has been discussion about changing the governance structure. DeForest and Windsor would be the primary entities and Vienna, Hampden and Leeds would contract for services. There was discussion about how it would work with an annual meeting, etc. No final decisions have been made by the Town of Vienna. The discussion on this topic lasted until 8:20 P.M.

After this topic concluded the Windsor Town Board adjourned their meeting and did not stay for the following agenda item.

Farmland Preservation Ordinance – There was discussion about our request to have the farmland go back to Dane County for zoning purposes since the Village did not want to pay to have the ordinance updated. The village thought we were asking to disband ETZ. A map was given to all present showing the area where ETZ could be reduced to. That led to discussion about the ordinance and whose responsibility it is to keep it updated. After considerable discussion DeForest board members stated they would put it on their agenda for reconsideration.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45P.M.

Prepared by: Shawn Haney, Clerk

Note: These minutes were approved at the September 15, 2014 Town Board Meeting.

Town of Vienna Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 15, 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: Don Schmidt, Jim Koltes, Terry Heimerl and Brian Brandstetter

After the Pledge of Allegiance there was a motion by Endres, 2nd by Rupp to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2014 regular board meeting. All yes. Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Freppon to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2014 Burke/DeForest/Windsor/Vienna special joint meeting. All yes.

Public comment: Terry Heimerl was present to comment on Payne & Dolan blasting. He said it seems to have gotten worse as they continue north on their site. He was asked if he had damage and he replied that he has a brick house that has some cracking but he can't be sure if it is from blasting or settling. Mr. Heimerl was told about the annual advisory meeting. He will be notified of the meeting when it occurs.

Tourism Commission – The clerk received two calls from DeForest Village Board Members asking if the Town would consider staying in the DeForest Area Tourism Commission if elected officials were replaced by business owners. Brian Brandstetter was present and explained the different tourism related things we can do if we continue with our intention of separating from the others. The consensus was to continue with the separation

from DATC.

Operator's Licenses – Motion by Ripp, 2nd by Endres to approve an Operator's License for Susan Dunbar at All Stop, Inc. All yes. Motion by Endres, 2nd by Ripp to approve an Operator's License for Ashley Albin at Comfort Inn. All yes.

Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Rupp reported that DeForest Fire had a meeting on September 3rd. They had 100 calls in August and have had 90 more calls this year than during the same period last year. They discussed space needs for the fire department. They were going to recognize Paul Blount for his years of service on the Fire Board but he was not in attendance. Supervisor Rupp reported that Dane Fire meets on September 29th. Chairman Breggeman reported that the DeForest Senior Center has had continuing discussions about the purchase of the old clinic. Other issues regarding the Senior Center were discussed at the joint meeting last Wednesday. Supervisor Freppon reported that Waunakee EMS discussed long range planning. One of the topics was whether they can remain an all-volunteer service vs. a partial volunteer service. Supervisor Endres reported that Waunakee Fire meets on September 29th.

Town Clerk's Report

- Plan Commission Update – There were no Plan Commission meetings in July or August due to a lack of agenda items. At the September meeting they were given an update on the status of previous projects.

- Town Hall Project Update – Parking lot striping has been completed and the handicap parking signs are up. LMS brought in dirt to fill low spots. The landscaper seeded and matted several spots and they applied fertilizer to kill weeds. There is still an issue with low spots where the silt fence was. We are trying to get those areas resolved with LMS and the landscaper. Travis is working on the insulation for the roof hatch in the shop.

- Road Projects Update – Payne & Dolan will be milling Hahn Road on Friday, September 19th. The shoulders on Cuba Valley Road were finished today.

- Clear Horizons Update – The Digester Advisory Committee meeting was held on Monday, September 8, 2014. There was a brief discussion with Leo Maney about the PILOT agreement. They have a new CEO that needs to be informed about the proposal. We hope to have a resolution by early October.

- DeForest Farmland Preservation Update – This was discussed at the joint meeting. It is on the agenda for the DeForest Village Board Meeting on September 16, 2014.

- DNR Recycling Grant – Applications for 2015 are due in by October 1, 2014. Our application has been completed and submitted.

Motion by Rupp, 2nd by Freppon to pay current town bills in the amount of \$74,148.26 (Utility 1 = \$250.00, Utility 2 = \$74.00, Payroll = \$4,306.35, and Town General = \$69,517.91) All yes. Note: the Town General amount includes the second installment to the 3 fire districts.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Prepared by: Shawn Haney, Clerk

Notes: These draft minutes are subject to approval at the October 6, 2014 Town Board Meeting .

Vienna Town Board Meeting Agenda Monday, October 6, 2014

The Vienna Town Board will meet on Monday, October 6, 2014 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 September 15, 2014 regular board meeting.

Public comment.

Discussion about abandoned homes in the town.

Discussion about Mailbox Ordinance 10-20-14

Discussion about Employee Health Insurance

Operator's License(s)

Town Supervisor Reports

Town Clerk's Report

DaneCom Update

Town Hall Grounds Update

Road Projects Update

Clear Horizons Update

DeForest/Farmland Preservation Update

Lift Stations Update

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

Adjourn