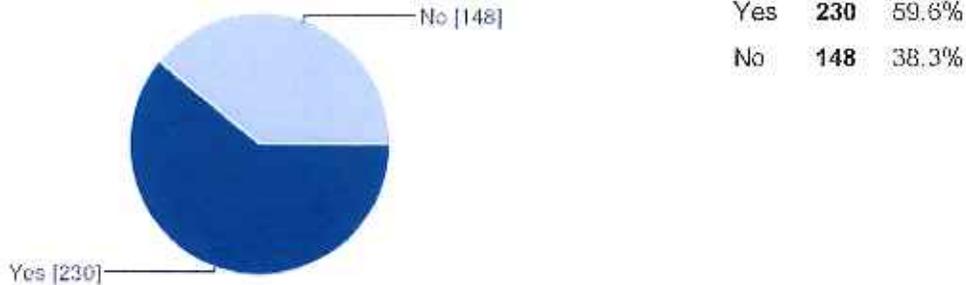


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Summary

Are you aware that the Town of Verona purchased property in 2014 for the purpose of constructing a new Town Hall and Public Works facility?

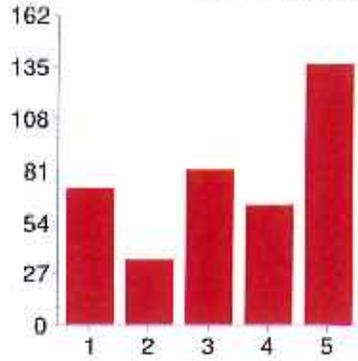


Would you be opposed to or in favor of the Town setting aside an area that could be used for community gardens?



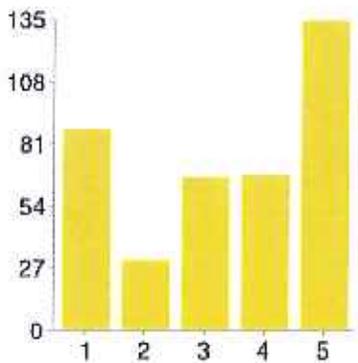
Would you be opposed to or in favor of the Town developing and maintaining a prairie restoration on part of the property?

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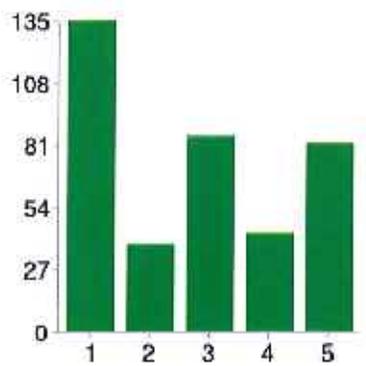
1	71	18.4%
2	34	8.8%
3	81	21%
4	62	16.1%
5	136	35.2%

Would you be opposed to or in favor of the Town developing and maintaining walking paths on part of this property?



1	87	22.5%
2	30	7.8%
3	66	17.1%
4	67	17.4%
5	134	34.7%

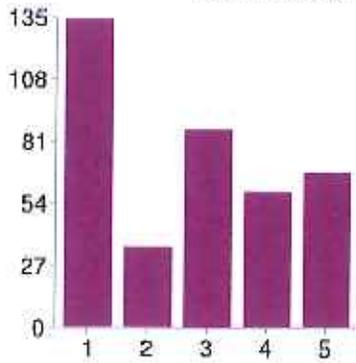
Would you be opposed to or in favor of the Town developing and maintaining bike paths, horse trails, or snowmobile/ATV trails on this property?



1	135	35%
2	38	9.8%
3	85	22%
4	43	11.1%
5	82	21.2%

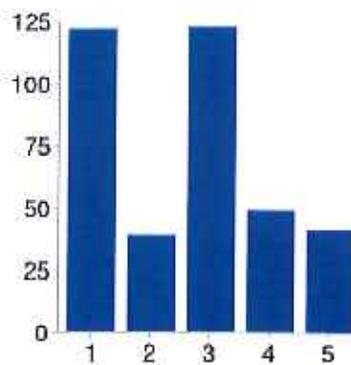
Would you be opposed to or in favor of the Town developing and maintaining a sport facility, such as a baseball or softball field, soccer field, volley ball court, or Frisbee golf area?

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1	134	34.7%
2	35	9.1%
3	86	22.3%
4	59	15.3%
5	67	17.4%

If you are in favor of any of the above, would you be willing to volunteer to help maintain property used in this way in order to reduce costs?



1	122	31.6%
2	39	10.1%
3	123	31.9%
4	49	12.7%
5	41	10.6%

If you are in favor of the above, for which would you be willing to volunteer and for how many hours per week/month/year?

10/month

3 hrs per year

no

prairie restoration/maintenance - depends on my unpredictable work schedule

garden and prairie 5 hr / week

a few weekends

depends on work and project

Yes a couple hours a month

help plant/maintain trees (unsure about hours/month)

frisbee golf and soccer fields 4 hours per year

garden 2 days per year

Town should not be keeping or maintaining extra land.

community gardens, available to help as needed

5/month

2 hr per month

Prairie restoration and walking paths 4 hours / month

0

prairie restoration

4 days per year

depends on what you do

NO TOO OLD

3 hours a month mowing

prairie, walking 6 hrs month

Only if it is a garden, prairie land I would volunteer to maintain a few hours a month in the summer.

1 hour per month at most

4 hrs per month

fix the roads

5 hrs per month

2 hours per month maintaining sports facilities or walking paths

depends on what is done. that sounds like a lot of plans for a small place and 3-5 acres?

4 hrs a week - i'm very old and in pain

prairie restoration, seeding, burning, etc.

i would help with a prairie

I am not in favor of the Town developing or maintaining any property. The Town needs to be the hub for communication regarding volunteer efforts for what people want to do with the property with conditions and a volunteer on the Town Board to insure the conditions are being met. If not the project is cancelled and goes back into "space open for volunteer development.

4-5 hours a week to help maintain paths

few hours per month

I can barely maintain my acre.

depends on work schedule

Depends on work schedule.

Unable to.

need to see options

8/month

5 per month

gardens

need more info

Time is precious - I'm old. Young folks should contribute.

8 hours per year

No

Not sure.

2 hours/week-community garden

0 to 8 hrs per month, where the town deems needed.

not sure

presently working and involved with a number of other commitments-next year, when I retire, maybe a few hours weekly during the summer months

gardening, trail maintenance

few times per year will help with sports and grounds upkeep

depends on when I retire in next 3-4 years

half day a month

gardening, walking paths 2 hrs per week

prairie restoration or athletic fields

Town has no business wasting our tax dollars on this ill advised project.

community garden 8 hr / month

Public spaces: gardens, prairie, paths

prairie restoration and walking paths

minimum of 1/2 day per year. After retirement.

4 to 8 hr

clean up 1 hour per month

I would recommend an open area that could be used for softball, football, rocketry, etc. I envision 4-H clubs using the facility for meetings and then outdoor activities. After developing the open area, maintenance should not be anything more than mowing.

prairie restoration, 8-16 hrs per month

We could help with picking up trash on the walking/bike trails or other activities that might be helpful, probably about 10 hours per month.

No we demand a referendum on whether to sell this whole property. The citizens did not approve spending million plus of our tax dollars. Town is shrinking and will merge in less than 10 years. Taxes are way to high because of poor decisions like this.

not sure pending work schedule

prairie restore

prairie restoration 5 hrs monthly

hour or two monthly

10/mon

prairie restoration 2-3 hours per day

The new town hall is a total waste

community garden, restoration project

prairie 3 hr/mo

I could volunteer 10 hr/month

2 hours per month

4 hrs/mth

few hours a month

hiking trails, community gardens

3 hr/mo

1 hr per month

2-4 hrs per month

2-4 hrs per year

at the age of past 70, these are things for the younger ones

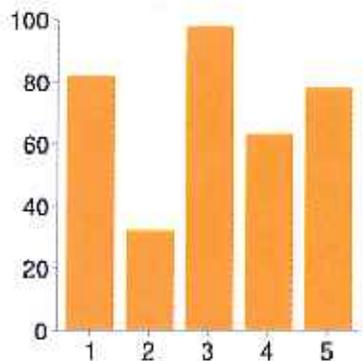
8 per month

hiking or walking trail maintenance. 5 hours per month Horse trails are too hard to maintain

depends on health

5 - 10 hours when available if needed

Would you be opposed to or in favor of a brush drop off area for a fee?



1	82	21.2%
2	32	8.3%
3	98	25.4%
4	63	16.3%
5	78	20.2%

If you think the Town should have a drop off point for other materials (e.g. tires, batteries, electronics, etc.), please write those in the space below.

hazardous waste

tires and electronics i can see a fee for

drop off for recycleable materials such as computers printers tires paint and chemicals

Yes, all of the above. - We have not other options.

all above

no

all for a fee to cover all costs.

It would be good to have a drop off site similar to what the City of Verona has to make it handy for town residents and hopefully reduce dumping on our roadways. There will have to be fees charged for things like tires and TVs where we have to pay fees to get rid of things

all of the above depending on fee

yes large appliances

The above choices would be helpful,

a small recycling area for cardboard styrofoam, electronics would be a good idea

tires electronics batteries appliances - for a fee

NO!

Yes for any other items.

batteries

Yes, this would be very nice.

We do not want to pollute that nice site with any ugly waste collection.

batteries, electronics, medicines

electronics appliances

tires, electronics

no added cost

electronics, tv, microwaves

tires batteries paint and hazardous waste

NO

oil

drop off for construction material, carpeting, etc.

old building material, batteries, paint, etc.

oil, other fluids, tires, refrigerators, furniture, etc.

yes all items that can't safely be picked up by our waste collection

No brush or other garbage!!

can this be batched with other communities

needs research

recycled things yes

No

We don't need that nice property on PD turned into a dump!

all of the above

All of the above plus printer cartridges

This would be very convenient to get rid of old TVs, monitors, computers, oil, etc. -- provided it does become costly to the Town.

yes

battery, oil, large electronics

tires, batteries electronics

no I think there are other similar resources nearby

compost site

Electronics and other difficult to recycle items would be helpful.

styrofoam

all of above

electronics, paint, oils

Im in favor of a drop off site...the city has one that is free but I'm sure the taxes cover this...we need it, but it should be free to those who live in the township and pay taxes as such.

not in favor of this

towns wastes too much money on special ideas. Fix the roads first,

yes all above

All of the above

yes to all need dropoff

No. The town should stick to the basics of plowing and maintaining the roads. The Town has no reason to buy or own a lot of this size with our tax payer dollars. Taxes are unbearably high as it is. Use the corner parcel at PD and Country View Rd only and return the rest so it can be a horse farm once again. We don't care what kind of secret deal you have with Epic over that corner parcel.

would be great but would take a lot of policing. Check out how abused Fitchburg's was. only brush drop off

We don't want the town in the business of garbage or hazmat.

used motor oil, batteries

good but for small fee

paints solvents

No the town has no business using this property as a dump!

there should be county wide drop off points not for every township,

electronics, metal, oil, tires, batteries

This is a terrible place to drop off those items. There is residential homes adjacent to the property, don't turn this into a dumping ground.

recycling center

I think the dane county facility drop off is enough

No brush or other unsightly or hazardous materials!! Also no burning or wood chipping please.

tires batteries electronics metal

anything! reduce, reuse recycle!

I just want brush drop off.

scrap metal (fence wire), electronics, expired prescription and nonprescription drugs

batteries electronics

yes used oil

large trash, electronics, batteries

I don't think there should be a fee for brush dropoff. I would like to see a joint effort made with the county to enable a drop off point for reusable materials that are banned from the landfill but do not have a readily available location that can take them. As a case in point, if I had a leftover bundle of shingles that I had saved but now want to get rid of, where would I dispose of it. As to the collection of tires, batteries, electronics, recycling streams already exist for these materials so I don't think the Town should be involved with those items.

the town should have a clean up day each year take all debris

I'm not opposed to some recycling place or bins there. A fee of some sort would be the good, but who is going to manage it?

yes yes yes

Annual large item trash day, i.e. mattresses, electronics, etc.

Yes

tires electronics and batteries. all - then they don't get to throw on Paulson Road!

Brush

drop off area for tires paint etc.

styrofoam, oil

electronics styrofoam

mattresses, tires, electronics, fluorescent lights.

brush and yard debris only min. annual fee

we desperately need a drop off for all these items. we pay high property taxes and should expect more services.

yes all paint tires, etc.

all the above

Heck NO!!!!!!

all

tires batteries electronics used motor oil

batteries, electronics, etc.

NO! NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS or junk on that site!

electronics, tv, recycling

We don't need these extra services. Reduce our taxes instead.

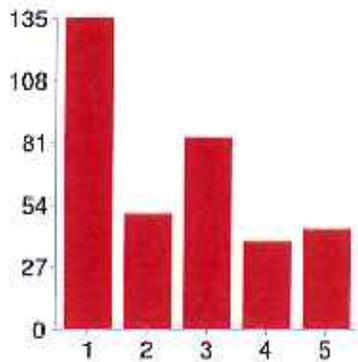
above for a fee

tires, electronics, paint

tires

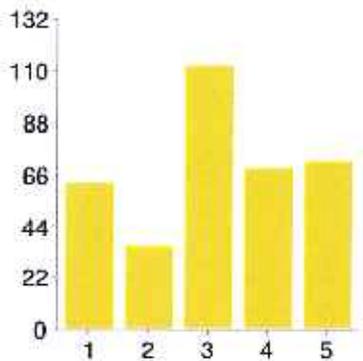
electronics

Would you be willing to pay for curbside pickup of brush?



1	135	35%
2	50	13%
3	83	21.5%
4	38	9.8%
5	43	11.1%

The preliminary design of the Town Board room/Election Hall includes space that also could be rented for private events (e.g. graduations, retirement parties, baby showers) or used for community meetings such as 4H meetings, senior citizen gatherings, boy or girl scout meetings, etc.. This is commonly done in many Towns. Would you be interested in using such a space?



1	62	16.1%
2	35	9.1%
3	112	29%
4	68	17.6%
5	71	18.4%

Please add any additional comments in the space provided below.

Site should be sold and a referendum held to get town resident approval! This is a complete waste of our tax dollars. Town is shrinking!

The current town hall is more than good enough! Don't waste our tax dollars!

If you must build on this poor location, keep the town hall on the east end and have all access from Country View Road. Hwy PD is much too busy and too dangerous in the proposed location for a busy entrance.

Dont worry about brush. This project is a waste of our money. We did not approve it. congratulations on new purchase!

Do not put the driveway on PD. That section of road is too dangerous. Put it on Country View. Or better yet, keep the current town hall! There is nothing wrong with it being in the city. Better than wasting 1 million dollars plus of tax payer money.

as the town gets smaller do we need all of this? didn't even know about the purchase...ooops do people in the town need a space for gardens, of course if it were less mosquito infested i would sign up

Please use existing metal building for garage

would like to know why we need a new town hall / garage when the town is actually getting smaller every year.the town seems to waste money on enough things already. example, why did we need a tandem dump truck for the little the town has, a single axle works just fine and is cheaper, why do we hire people with a bobcat and pay wages like that. you could buy a good bobcat to do town work for less than you spend on hiring one also when we have a tractor with a loader. why do we need a salary paid inspector? you could hire independent inspector to do what little the town has for building inspections. as far as i am concerned the town is way over staffed for as small as we are getting now. why keep on spending is beyond me

brush should stay on the owner property

We do not need a new town hall or any additional services. We need lower taxes.

The town has been strict about 1 house per 35 acres in this area. This 43 acres should have to follow those same rules. One structure/house and the rest of the land can be used for horses or prairie similar to what the residents in this area must do. This has been a residential property that you are turning into commercial space. Also, HWY PD can't handle the traffic is has now. There is 6-8 accidents per year at the entrance of Goodman community center and PD. This will certainly increase with the increased traffic.

We think the town is not using taxpayers money very wisely! The money spent for a new town hall should have been brought to a referendum, but as always, the town spent money that most people had no say so over .(a stacked annual meeting! We know it!)L. It's going to cost the town many dollars. It is no wonder people are sick of it and join the city. Some day maybe someone will wake up! (that is doubtful!) - Maybe you should put in a swimming pool, tennis courts,,basketball courts, baseball diamonds,soccer fields, sleeping quarters for the homeless,showers, whirlpools,sleeping quarters for the people who are going to maintain all of the above. REALLY? Let's live within some sort of a MANAGEABLE budget!! THE TOWN IS ALL THE PEOPLE! NOT JUST SOME!

walking paths in prairie are ok!

keep the cost to residents reasonable

Hwy PD is a BAD Location!!!!!!!

please make sure traffic is addressd prior to doing anything!

We should participate with the City.

swimming pool would be great as verona area does not have one. create clean bike path on fitchnona rd especially near parking lot of off road bike area. entire street really need to repave streets (like goose lake)

love the ideas!

worried about location and traffic. will there be a turning lane?

fix the roads. train town crew how to use equipment better. Do we need extra things for a township. That is losing land.

That area is zoned Ag/RH4 and no one in the area has been allowed to rezone. The Town should not be trying to rezone it for any other purpose! Not fair to the landowners and will destroy our neighborhood. We have heard you had some deal with Epic to rezone the corner lot for them, that is why they are offering so called "free" help. would love a rentable community space. even in the city of verona one is hard to find that holds more than a dozen or so people

The town does not need an expensive new town hall! Location is horrible on already busy PD. Reduce our taxes instead!

Area needs horse boarding. The horse farm should be restored and improved. Bring back the horses!

no-added cost

Do we really need a new expensive town hall??

I don't understand why the town is building a new townhall. What is wrong with the current site? We will become smaller in the future and this seems to be a big expense.

no ATVs with bikes and horses please research need for soccer, etc. Hwy G already has soccer fields

If we want all those services we should just join the City of Verona and eliminate the redundant government body. We live in the Town because we want lower taxes and we need a minimum of services. Just trash and plowing. Reduce the town staff, make minor fixes to existing town hall and lower taxes. If we want more it is time to merge with the City. It will happen sooner or later.

As to the structure for storing Town vehicles, equipment, I don't think a heated structure is warranted. Most maintenance is done elsewhere so there is no need to have the expense of heating as well as the necessary insulation for the building. The few farmers that I know that have partially heated sheds is because they do all of their own maintenance. Should a heated structure still be desired, I would like to see a cost analysis completed describing the additional costs associated with it.

maybe the town trails could connect with the ice age trail somehow

strongly need brush disposal capabilities should be at no charge as with other communities.

a waste of money. The current facility is adequate for towns use.

Big waste of money to build a brand new facility.

the town is getting smaller why would we need to spend money on a new town hall

WASTED MONEY!

I think the town board has done a good job in the 8 years we have lived here. The main reason is do not spend more than you take in.

Too much \$ and too much space for the Town Hall.

I live on Prairie Circle so am concerned with what may occur in my backyard. I attended the town meeting and know you mentioned you will be "conscious of neighbors" I'd hate to see the land behind my house turn into a dump for brush/electronics or an ATV trail. I hope your quote to be conscious of us was sincere. Has there been any discussion to lease the barn to horse owners? It seem the horse farms in this area have needed extra space. Thank you for offering this survey for our voice.

no snowmobile or atv trails

helpful to 4H

I am opposed to any rezoning of this property. It is zoned RH4 and A-2 and should remain that way. The proposed building site and driveway are on a very dangerous stretch of PD. Snow plows and increased car volume there will make it much more so. Access should be restricted to Country View Road and the town hall located there. Any arrangements with Epic should be made public knowledge. Town should take the minimum space needed and keep costs as low as possible. We don't want the Town trying to rezone the land and making it into non-RH4 use, thus revaluing the surrounding property. We want no hazardous waste, burning, tires, salt leeching on this site and nothing that will increase the noise or light levels such as wood chipping or snow mobile/ATV trails.

build with union contractors :)

don't know that I would use it, but a good idea

make sure there are turning lanes from both directions on PD

the question of insurance costs for some of the uses mentioned comes to mind.

Reduce our taxes!

Having been involved when some of the users of the present facility abused the facility, I am not too keen on having others use it unless the use is supervised by a Town employee. This cost will need to be passed along so the Town Hall would never be "free". With all the commercial space available I don't know that we can or should compete with them.

like the idea but probably would not personally use at this time

remember the ice age trail in planning things

Oppose spending any more tax dollars! We do not need a new town hall at all!

want drop off, but should be free - part of our taxes as is with city.

We live on Prairie Circle, directly adjacent to the acquired property. We'd prefer to

purchase the current community garden that is essentially a triangle of property right in our backyard. We'd prefer the community garden to be moved somewhere that doesn't interfere so much with our enjoyment and use of our property. While we generally are in favor of the idea of walking/bike/ATV trails, we would not want them in between our property and the adjacent property, especially ATV's, which would be dangerous for our neighborhood children. I'd prefer the trails to be on another part of the property. We would like to purchase the strip of land in between our property and the acquired property, if it is ever sold, and our neighbors would likewise want the first right to purchase the land behind their homes.

how about a small fenced dog park/run for small dogs?

its all for community use so thats a huge positive

The Town is not considering the smartest option of using the eastern field and putting access on Country View. This is because Epic wants that field. They have a deal with the Town. That is why they are offering the "free" help. What will happen is the Town will put it where Epic wants and put the driveway on busy PD. Then there will traffic problems, complaints and maybe even lawsuits. Then the tax payers will have to pay again to totally rebuild PD in that area to try to address the problem. This site will cost us millions because of short sighted and rash decision making. Sad thing is with a shrinking town we will have to merge with the City eventually. Probably sooner than later, and all this money will be wasted. Who knows what the City will end up doing with the site. Probably park a bunch of garbage on it.

[Community rental space is] absolutely necessary!

Would like to see the site turned back into a horse farm and put back on the tax role. Keep the current town hall. Fix the roof and return the extra 1 million dollars you collected to the tax payers in tax cuts.

It is sad the horse farm had to sell. Would like to see a new owner turn it back into a better horse boarding farm. Too much land for Town Hall. Wrong location. New Town Hall is NOT needed.

there needs to be more upfront communication regarding the whole new town hall project and proposals. It seems that town land is actually decreasing I think we should revisit the idea of merging with city of verona. Land use issues, services, buildings, roads, social concerns, recreation will all need to be addressed together.

Town is shrinking. The current town hall is fine. Reduce our taxes, don't waste 1 million+ without a referendum!

So the Town has been sitting on a surplus of 1 million dollars it collected from our property taxes?? No wonder my taxes are more than my mortgage, getting ridiculous! this type of space is needed in the town

The location of the town hall is in a location that is out of the way for many residents. I understand that the demographics of the township is changing. I think that the extras (sports, trails, etc.) is not necessary at this time. I believe eventually that the Town of

Verona will cease to exist. Thanks.

bike paths only no atv or snowmobiles

no atv or snowmobile on trails

have concerns of need since down the road we are going to be gobbled up by Verona

We do not need a new town hall !!!!!!!!!!!!!

The Town seems to have lost sight of its mission. Most people live in the Town to keep their taxes low, enjoy the country life and avoid municipal interference. We are not interested in most of the these services and also seriously question the value of a new town hall entirely. Also, the location seems less than ideal being in the north end of the town on a very busy road.

no budget for this, too big and too much

thank you for doing this survey and thinking broadly about the new facility

The Town only needs 2-3 acres tops and had no business spending all those tax dollars on this huge parcel. Quit playing games with our tax dollars please.

It would be great if the Town Board would arrange drop off or collection of additional materials to keep them from being dumped in the town. Pelitteri could possibly do special pickups. Town employees don't need to have expertise to handle these items— just find good business partners or partner with the City of Verona.

The town should consider building bocce ball courts so that a community league can be formed. McFarland has bocce ball courts available at the curling club and they've been quite a hit.

no horse, ATV trails - only bike

I agree with developing a program for use of the town board room/election hall for non-profit "childrens" organizations like scouting, and 4H and also senior citizens for free. Organizations outside of that would need to pay based on ability to pay, but also put up a significant damage/clean up deposit.

Sell the land and use the 1 million to lower our taxes.

LOVE THIS, LONG OVERDUE! WOULD HELP PLAN

Please quit wasting our tax dollars!! Reduce our taxes, we do not want or need any of this.

sell the extra land and put it back on the tax roll. stop wasting tax payer dollars, they come out of everyones pockets. sadly its just a matter of time until we are joined into the city of verona, madison and fitchburg.

not in favor of atv on trails

162 responses on that 1 day? Think this survey is suspect!

these are all nice ideas. realistically people are so busy its not likely to find enough people to maintain the area.

biking and horse I strongly favor. snowmobile - I strongly oppose.

really need brush collection site, for the same things the city gets to leave at the curb, would prefer not to pay, city does not pay need badly!

extra land use - small fenced in dog park

I knew the family that lived on the property and I am sad for the loss of their home. I think its too much land needed for new town hall

The logical location for the town hall in the corner of PD and Country View. But overheard a board member at the meeting say they couldn't put it there because they had some under the table deal with Epic for that corner parcel.

Thankyou.

use shecp for the prairie!

Use eastern field only at Country View. Rest should be RH4 and as it is now.

Lets try to keep all in a budget we can afford

Keep the existing town hall!!!!!!!

Number of daily responses

