

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TOWN OF VERONA

August 4, 2015 6:30 P.M.

Town Hall, 335 N. Nine Mound Road Verona, WI 53593-1035

Present: Geller, Dreger, Duerst, Enburg, and Maxwell

Absent: None

Staff Present: Arnold, Wright,

Also Present: see sign in sheet

1. Call To Order/Approval of the agenda – Mark Geller called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Motion to approve the agenda made by Duerst. Second by Enburg. Motion carried.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Announcements – Mark Geller noted upcoming open houses for the Belleville Senior Program and the Badger Prairie Needs Network.
4. Public Comment - None.
5. New business – None.
6. Unfinished business
 - a. Discussion and action re: amendment to the field access permit for 2157 Sugar River Road. – Mike Duerst discussed the option of having an easement between 2159 and 2157 Sugar River Road to the farmland to the west because he was concerned about potentially creating a future land locked residential parcel. After some discussion, the board determined that if a residential lot was created there would be a rezoning and the access could be reconsidered. Doug Maxwell asked whether or not the trees mentioned in the original permit would be planted. Sherry Crownhart responded that they are working with the owner of 2129 Sugar River and the trees will be planted before the potential sale of the land to Tom Post. She also provided a signed agreement between the two neighbors. Mark Geller reminded the group that there is an already approved access and the question at hand is whether or not a second user should be allowed. There was a general conversation about the use of the access by cars and other vehicles. The owner of 2129 Sugar River, Brandon Bavery, reported that there are fewer times when lights are shining in his windows, but there is still more traffic than he expected. Motion by Enburg to approve the amended permit with conditions drafted by staff with the edits that the word “road” will be removed so that it reads “field access” instead and “it does not constitute approval of any potential future residential lots” will be changed to “it does not constitute approval of any potential future residential lots or splits”. Second by Maxwell. Enburg: aye, Duerst: no, Dreger: aye, Maxwell: aye, Geller: aye. Motion carried.
 - b. Discussion of Chapter 4 of the code of ordinance Licenses and Permits – This discussion was postponed until a future meeting because staff has been busy attending to other matters.
 - c. Update on Town Hall/Garage Planning – There was no new information since the Board met on this matter last week.
7. Reports
 - a. Plan Commission:
 - i. Discussion and Action re: Land Use Application #2015-4 dated 7/17/2015 for property located at 3131 Shady Oak Lane. submitted by Amanda Arnold for the Town of Verona on behalf of Ray Wagner. The purpose of the application is rezoning from A3 to A1-ex to allow for tax credits within a farmland preservation area. – Motion by Enburg to approve the rezoning. Second by Duerst. Amanda mentioned that the County will have to amend their farmland preservation plan to make the change final. Laura Dreger wondered if Ray Wagner has considered nearby development pressures. Amanda said she'd check in with Ray. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Public Works:
 - i. Update and discussion re: salt contract for winter 2015/2016 – Amanda reported on the new cost of salt. The commitment to purchase was made last spring.
 - ii. Discussion and action re: approval of contact for design services for the Old PB bridge replacement – Amanda reported that DOT and the consultants are still working on the contract so this will be on a future agenda. She explained the town's commitment of funds.
 - iii. Discussion and action re: new driveway permit for Trevor and Sarah Berceau for Lot 2 of CSM 12360 on County Highway PB. - Motion by Enburg to approve the residential driveway for Lot 2 of CSM 12360 with the added condition that no barrier posts or mailboxes shall be placed along the drive to avoid conflicts with emergency vehicles turning into the property and to also authorize the Chair sign the residential driveway permit for Lot 1 of CSM 12360 if the Public Works Project Manager reviews and confirms the conditions in the field. Second by Duerst. Motion carried unanimously.

- iv. Discussion and action re: second access and drive for Heartland Farm Sanctuary at 11713 Mid Town Rd. – Amanda reported that materials had not been submitted in time for the meeting. Motion by Enburg to table. Second by Maxwell. Motion carried.
 - v. Road Maintenance – Ron Lease reported on efforts to fill in dips in Spring Rose Rd. and Riverside Rd. He explained that hot mix will be needed and the initial cost estimate from Wolf Paving is approximately \$3000. He also explained that Riverside Road would need to be wedged next year. The Board concurred that the work needed to be done.
 - c. EMS: Mike Duerst reported that EMS, in an effort to avoid repeat hospital visits, is exploring having paramedics visit people who have recently had major surgery. EMS is gearing up for the hiring of seven new paramedics, and they are moving into the new Verona Fire Station. The process for hiring a new deputy chief is underway.
 - d. Open Space and Parks: No report.
 - e. Town Chair: Mark Geller reported that he had a meeting with Epic to convey concerns of Country View residents about the condition of the landscaping berm along their street.
 - f. Supervisors: Mike Duerst passed on some concerns about mowing of the right-of-way.
 - g. Clerk/Treasurer: John Wright reported that he found an old motion authorizing the vacation of several roads. He suggested that this be used to initiate work on each individual road. The Board was content with that approach.
 - h. Planner/Administrator: Amanda Arnold report that state insurance program, in which the town employee are enrolled, is separating dental insurance from health insurance. No costs are available at this time, but the town will need to issue a letter of intent to participate or not by September 25. The Board decided to take this up at the next meeting when projected costs should be available.
- 8. Approval of payment of bills – Motion to approve by Duerst. Second by Enburg. Motion carried unanimously.
 - 9. Discussion and approval of minutes of the July 7th meeting – Motion by Maxwell to approve the minutes with a few corrections of typographical errors (which he passed on to Amanda). Second by Duerst. Motion carried unanimously.
 - 10. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn made by Enburg at 8:10 p.m. Second by Maxwell. Motion carried unanimously.

Approved: 9/1/2015

Amanda Arnold
Planner/Administrator, Town of Verona