Town of Verona Natural and Recreational Areas Committee Minutes Town of Verona Conference Room 7669 County Hwy PD 10/18/2017

Present: Bill Keen, Bob Stellick, DuWayne Hoffman Dave Lonsdorf

Chair Keen called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

Approval of Agenda-

Lonsdorf moved to approve agenda; 2nd Stellick. Motion carried 4-0.

Public Comments – None

Update from Members – Keen noted that the agenda did not have the Natural Resource Area on it. Discussion on what was needed: a special meeting on Oct. 23rd was scheduled for 7 PM due to the fact Dane County Parks need to have any input by the end of the month.

Old Business-

The minutes of the 09/20/17 meeting were reviewed. Stellick moved to approve; 2nd Hoffman. Motion carried 3-0. Lonsdorf was not at the meeting so could not vote.

Review Natural and Cultural Resources Chapter of Comprehensive Plan – No changes were needed

Town Open Space and Parks Plan Update – No new information was known

Landscaping at New Town Hall, Prairie Grass Status –

Dave Lonsdorf discussed the new planting map. Basically, 3 seed mixes of roughly 30-35 varieties in each will be created. Berms and high dry areas will have a more flowery effect, around the building, roughly 50 feet will have the short grass grouping and the area beyond that will have the dominant tall grass mixture. About \$5,000 worth of seed is here with only about \$500 worth having been bought while the rest was donated. Planting will be on November 4th in two sessions.

Algae in Retention Pond on Town Property – Discussion as to what are we really suppose to do! Was the algae problem really that serious? Tall grass for the pond was mentioned as a possibility as was a small amount of algae was good.

Purchase of Developmental Rights – Discussion on how this could help the Town, how well would it work, and how it is a volunteer system. Money and monitoring of any land is a concern for the Town. This needs to be brought up at a Town Board meeting.

Scheduled next meeting – October 23, 2017 at 7:00 PM, a special meeting to discuss boundaries for Natural Resource Areas for Dane County Parks Regular meeting – November 15, 2017 at 7:00 PM

Adjourn -

Stellick made a motion to adjourn; 2nd by Hoffman Motion carried 4-0 at 8:25 PM.

Approved: November 15, 2017 Prepared by: Bill Keen