

**Oregon Town Board**  
**AGENDA**  
**1138 Union Road, Oregon, WI 53575**  
**Monday, September 15, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.**

1. Call Town Board meeting to order
2. Roll Call
3. Appearance by Jerry Jensen, 274 Cranbrook Ct., Nekoosa, WI, 54457 re: Parcel #0509-154-9311
4. Review applications for open position on plan commission
5. Appearance by Sharon Lezberg, UW-Extension re: Vision Input Meeting
6. Assessor's Report
7. Approval of Payment Vouchers
8. Adjournment

Posted 9/11/25

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**RE: Putman Hill Cemetery**

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**From** Lane, Roger <Lane.Roger@danecounty.gov>

**Date** Tue 8/5/2025 9:34 AM

**To** Jennifer Hanson <jhanson@townoforegonwi.gov>; Gerald Jensen <g.jensen431@gmail.com>; Stephanie Goth <sgoth@townoforegonwi.gov>

**Cc** Frick, Daniel <Frick.Daniel@danecounty.gov>

I have not come across the purchase of a cemetery before.

Cemetery statutes are found under Wisc Stats. CH 157. 157.115 notes that the Town takes control of the cemetery if abandoned, but it does not specifically states that the Town takes ownership. That is something an attorney will need to figure out, whether or not the Town actually **IS** the owner or the land. My guess is that the Town does not own it.

In order to obtain ownership, the Town may need to file a quiet title action or petition the court for ownership. You will need to ask your town attorney on this one.

Regards,

Roger Lane  
Dane County Zoning Administrator  
608-266-9078

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**From:** Jennifer Hanson <jhanson@townoforegonwi.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 5, 2025 9:02 AM

**To:** Gerald Jensen <g.jensen431@gmail.com>; Stephanie Goth <sgoth@townoforegonwi.gov>; Lane, Roger <Lane.Roger@danecounty.gov>

**Cc:** Frick, Daniel <Frick.Daniel@danecounty.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Putman Hill Cemetery

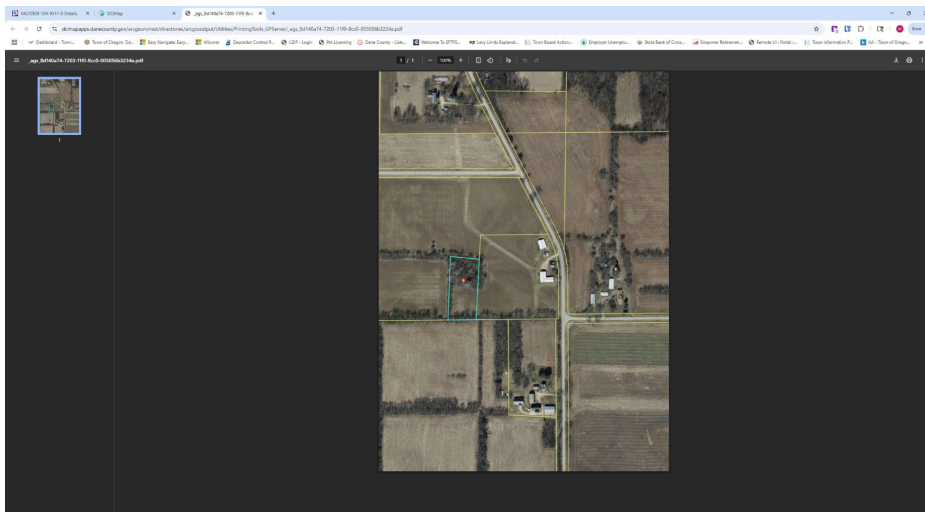
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Hi Roger,

Jerry Jensen would like to purchase a cemetery from the Town of Oregon. He has been in contact with the State Historical Society. Do you know of any other sales like this in Dane County? The parcel of land is landlocked and the town has never had possession or provided care for the property. Would the town need any other state/county approvals?

Thanks,  
Jennifer

<https://accessdane.danecounty.gov/050915493110>



## [042/0509-154-9311-0 Details](#)

For the most current and complete zoning information contact: Dane County Zoning | 608-266-4266

[accessdane.danecounty.gov](http://accessdane.danecounty.gov)

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**From:** Gerald Jensen <[g.jensen431@gmail.com](mailto:g.jensen431@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Friday, August 1, 2025 12:54 PM

**To:** Jennifer Hanson <[jhanson@townoforegonwi.gov](mailto:jhanson@townoforegonwi.gov)>; Stephanie Goth <[sgoth@townoforegonwi.gov](mailto:sgoth@townoforegonwi.gov)>

**Subject:** Fwd: Putman Hill Cemetery

Hi Jennifer and Stephanie,

I have been in touch with the State Historical Society and have received permission to purchase the cemetery property from the Town. I am thinking I will submit an Offer to Purchase to the Town Board to start discussions. If you have any thoughts, I would appreciate it

Thanks,

Jerry

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** WHS Burial Sites <[burialsites@wisconsinhistory.org](mailto:burialsites@wisconsinhistory.org)>

**Date:** Fri, Aug 1, 2025 at 9:43 AM

**Subject:** Re: Putman Hill Cemetery

**To:** Gerald Jensen <[g.jensen431@gmail.com](mailto:g.jensen431@gmail.com)>

**Cc:** Rosebrough, Amy L - WHS <[Amy.Rosebrough@wisconsinhistory.org](mailto:Amy.Rosebrough@wisconsinhistory.org)>

Hi Gerald!

Thanks for following up with me on this site. I do have a record of your objection, and as such we halted that cataloguing process. We haven't picked it back up, but will touch base with you when we do.

You are okay to purchase the property, but know that the site is still protected under the state's burial law, and any ground disturbing work will need to be authorized through the Request to Disturb process (<https://wisconsinhistory.org/Records/Article/CS3129>). When our office circles back to the cataloguing process, we'll touch base with you regarding next steps in the process.

Let me know if you have any questions!

Best,  
Taylor

**Taylor Lambrigger (she/her/hers)**

*Burial Sites Coordinator*

State Historic Preservation Office

816 State Street

Madison, WI 53706

608-264-6464

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**From:** Gerald Jensen <[g.jensen431@gmail.com](mailto:g.jensen431@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 30, 2025 6:36 PM

**To:** WHS Burial Sites <[burialsites@wisconsinhistory.org](mailto:burialsites@wisconsinhistory.org)>

**Subject:** Putman Hill Cemetery

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside the organization.

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Dear Taylor,

It has been over six months since I last contacted you, objecting to cataloging the property known as Putnam Hill Cemetery. I have not heard from you, so I am going to move ahead with my plans to acquire the property from the Town of Oregon. I will contact Amy L. Rosebrough to obtain the information needed for a property transfer. If you have any concerns, please let me know as soon as possible. My current phone number is 608/730-6337.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Jerry Jensen



# Town of Oregon

**1138 Union Road  
Oregon, WI 53575**

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## PLAN COMMISSION INTEREST FORM

Please complete this form if interested in serving on the Town of Oregon Plan Commission. The Town of Oregon Plan Commission meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 6:30PM.

Type of property you own: (Select from list below).

Certified survey map (CSM): 16554

Residential lot: 042/050916400010

Farm (over 35 acres): \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived in the Town of Oregon? 5 years

What do you feel you can contribute as a member?

(You may attach additional sheet of paper, if needed)

I have attached a secondary document.

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Applicant's Name: Laura Wilmot

Address: 5596 Windridge Rd, Oregon, WI 53575

Phone Number: 608-515-8697

Email Address: laura.wilmot2020+town@gmail.com

Thank you for showing an interest in serving on the Plan  
Commission for the Town of Oregon.

Please email application to [sgoth@townoforegonwi.gov](mailto:sgoth@townoforegonwi.gov) or drop off  
application at:  
Town of Oregon  
1138 Union Rd.  
Oregon, WI 53575

Questions: Please call Oregon Town Hall at 608-835-3200

Laura Wilmot  
5596 Windridge Rd,  
Oregon, WI 53575

I believe I can contribute a strong combination of firsthand experience, community involvement, and professional skills that align with the responsibilities of the Plan Commission. I was actively engaged in the town's process of updating its development plan, which gave me valuable familiarity with the document and the vision it outlines for our community. In addition, I have personally gone through a rezoning, a lot line adjustment, and a building addition, which provided me with a clear understanding of the processes, challenges, and impacts that residents and property owners encounter. These experiences allow me to approach planning discussions with both a practical perspective and an appreciation for how policies affect community members.

Professionally, I am collaborative, detail-oriented, and skilled at analyzing information to weigh risks and benefits. I am quick to research, learn, and evaluate new information, which helps me make informed and balanced recommendations. My motivation for serving is rooted in preserving our community values while supporting smart, responsible growth that benefits both current and future residents. I believe my background, combined with my open-minded and pragmatic approach, will allow me to contribute thoughtfully to discussions, foster consensus when needed, and help ensure decisions reflect both the town's vision and the needs of its residents.

## Vision 2040 Input Meeting Draft Facilitator's Agenda

Date: Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2025

Time: 5:00-8:00pm

Venue: Oregon Town Hall, 1138 Union Rd., Oregon, WI

Food: Taco bar, beverages

Materials: Projector and screen, microphone, flip chart stands, paper, markers, name tags,

| Agenda Item                  | Time                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Process                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| Arrival & Food               | 5:00-5:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Give people time to get nametags, food.<br>Should we have any posters up? With summaries from the survey?                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Welcome & Speakers           | <b>Total:</b> 30 min<br><br><b>5:30-5:35pm:</b> Welcome, introduction to planning committee<br><br><b>5:35-5:55pm:</b> What we learned from the survey<br><br><b>5:55-6:00pm:</b> What we want to hear from you | What we want to hear from you:<br>- What are the main aspects of the vision for the future?<br>- What is different from the present?<br>- What do we need to do to realize the vision?<br>- What are 'easy wins'; what are long term issues that we should be planning for?<br>- What is realistic given the current budget? |
| Discussion table 1           | 30 min total<br>6:00 - 6:30 pm<br>• <b>Land Use &amp; Growth;</b><br>• <b>Community &amp; Quality of Life;</b><br>• <b>Natural &amp; Cultural Resources</b>                                                     | Draft questions below this table. They need to be refined.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Report out from Discussion 1 | 10 min.<br>6:30 - 6:40pm<br><br>Full discussion - key strategies for each area -                                                                                                                                | Each topic would have a flip chart. Table groups report out on main discussion point for each of the topics.<br>Recommend that the focus                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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|                                                                                         | have groups report out and flip chart them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | be on 'strategies' (see below)                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Switch tables & Break                                                                   | 10 min.<br>6:40 - 6:50pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Discussion table 2                                                                      | 30 min total<br>6:50 - 7:20pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Facilities &amp; Services</b></li> <li>• <b>Housing</b></li> <li>• <b>Transportation</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Draft questions below this table. They need to be refined.                                                                                                                                       |
| Report out from Discussion 2                                                            | 10 min<br>7:20 - 7:30<br><br>Full discussion - key strategies for each area - have groups report out and flip chart them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Each topic would have a flip chart. Table groups report out on main discussion point for each of the topics. Recommend that the focus be on 'strategies' (see below)                             |
| Full group discussion on <b>Local Government Initiatives</b> as suggested by the survey | 15 min.<br>7:30 - 7:45pm<br><br>1) <b>Communications</b> : how the Town can be better at communicating with residents about issues?<br>2) <b>Investments</b> in facilities, modernization (cell, internet), bike trails, without increasing taxes?<br>3) <b>Land Use</b> : engaging community in learning about changing land uses (e.g., from farm to prairie; solar; woodlands); understanding groundwater issues<br>4) <b>Farm Business/Farm history</b> : changes over time; specialty farm businesses | Facilitated conversation with full group.<br><br>Ideas generation.<br>Brainstorming - all ideas accepted/not debated.                                                                            |
| Individual sticky note exercise (or end of session questionnaire)                       | 10 min.<br>7:45 - 7:55pm<br><br>Process: Individuals are asked to write 1 idea per sticky note to address the following questions:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Sticky notes on table.<br>Three flip chart pages to 'harvest' comments for the three questions proposed.<br><br>Ask people to take a few minutes to write down their responses, and to put their |

**Commented [1]:** I'd skip this. # 1-3 are more prevalent in comments and survey.

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|         | <p>What's the most important thing for the town to focus on between 2025-2040 to respond to the priorities of the community (as learned in the survey)?</p> <p>What should the town NOT do?</p> <p>What are the barriers to implementing the vision?</p>              | sticky note on the page as they leave. (after the closing) |
| Closing | <p>Host concludes meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Thank you for your time and ideas</li> <li>- We will be putting together a Vision 2040 report and will send you the link</li> <li>- Contact Carl if you have any issues or problems</li> </ul> |                                                            |

Discussion Table 1:

**1) Land Use & Growth**

Survey results indicate support for the following statements. Discuss: (1) what the implication of the statement is, and (2) what strategies the town can implement in response.

- The Town should seek agreements with neighboring communities regarding future land use & growth.
- Residents place high importance on discouraging new development and alleviating the potential impacts of new development on local infrastructure.
- New developments should pay the fees to defray costs of public services associated with development (roads, parks, sewage).
- Planning should prioritize protecting resident quality of life and property values from impacts of development on neighboring properties.

**2) Community & Quality of Life**

Survey results indicate support for the following statements. Discuss (1) what the implication of the statement is, and (2) what strategies the town can implement in response.

- Maintain the small-town atmosphere and rural lifestyle.
- Protect natural features and open space.
- Maintain a high quality school system.
- Residents are concerned about property taxes & the cost of housing.

**3) Natural & Cultural Resources**

**Commented [2]:** Committee should choose 3 bullet points for each topic. Recognition that there's much more that could be discussed but that we wanted to stick to the most salient issues.

**Commented [3]:** Consider having a flip chart print-out with the responses to the specific question

- Residents place the greatest importance on preserving groundwater quality. Residents also support protecting natural areas and open space for wildlife habitat, and preserving and improving the quality of lakes, rivers, streams, and wetlands.
- Maintaining the town's agricultural and rural character can include marketing agricultural products locally, quarry operations, and solar farming, but there is disagreement on these issues.
- Residents have a high level of concern about potential annexation of Town property by the Village of Oregon, and feel that the town should consider mechanisms to avoid annexation (if these mechanisms do not lead to higher property taxes).

**Commented [4]:** There is a comment about the asphalt plant destroying water quality (arsenic)

**Commented [5]:** Worth showing this graph (pdf pg. 22) because interpretation may vary. There's no clear cut answer for solar farming and quarry operations, ag. conflicts and converting farmland.

**Commented [6]:** show graph - Figure 12. pdf page. 23. Not straightforward. This and the bullet point above would be good topics for discussion.

Discussion Table 2:

#### 1) Facilities & Services

- Important facilities and services that need attention include cell service, high speed internet & broadband service, and street & road maintenance.
- Fire protection and EMS/ambulance services are currently highly effective and should be maintained as such. Town Government, Parks & Recreation, & Garbage & recycling services are highly rated.
- Some residents expressed support for expanding TORC hours and establishing a 24/7 drop-off facility.

#### 2) Housing

- Most residents are opposed to new housing development in the Town of Oregon. A large majority of residents feel that housing development should occur primarily in the Village of Oregon, or near Village boundaries.
- Cluster design of housing preferred (smaller lots with preserved open spaces).
- Little support for more development or higher density housing.

#### 3) Transportation

- Residents support creation of more bike paths, especially to connect the Oregon Rotary Trail and the Badger State Trail.
- Residents support creating bike lanes when streets are being repaved and on existing streets with signage and striping.

#### Local Government/Community Initiatives

(questions are in the table above)

- Information sessions on topics including taxes, zoning, etc.
- Improve communication networks to maximize information exchange
- Honor farming history

| Vendor                  | Invoice Number | Description          | Invoice Date | Net<br>Invoice Amount | Amount Paid | Date Paid | Voided |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|--------|
| <b>Big O's Trailers</b> |                |                      |              |                       |             |           |        |
| 1010                    | 11297          | 2025 Midsota Trailer | 08/22/2025   | 19,367.50             | .00         |           |        |
| Grand Totals:           |                |                      |              | 19,367.50             | .00         |           |        |

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Town Board Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Town Board Supervisors: \_\_\_\_\_

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Town Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

| Check Issue Date | Check Number | Payee            | Amount    |
|------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------|
| 09/11/2025       | 24386        | Big O's Trailers | 19,367.50 |
| Grand Totals:    |              |                  | 19,367.50 |

**Buyer's Order / Invoice****Big O's Trailers Inc.**W10630 HWY 33  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-2473 Fax: (608) 742-0699**Ref # 11297****Date: 08/22/2025**Sales Person: LeRoy A Miles  
leroy@bigostrailers.com

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| <b>Customer: Town of Oregon</b><br>Address: 101 Alpine Parkway<br>OREGON, WI 53575<br>County: DANE | Home: (608) 835-3118<br><br>Email: |
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**Description of Purchase****New 2025 MIDSOTA NTBWB24-BP-220**

| Stock # | VIN #             | Color | Length | Width | GVW | Weight | MSRP        |
|---------|-------------------|-------|--------|-------|-----|--------|-------------|
| 3913    | 5JWBT2921SA123913 | BLACK | 24     |       |     |        | \$19,198.00 |

**Standard Equipment**2026 MIDSOTA  
102X24 TBWB24 22K BP  
BLACK  
FLAT PLATE MOUNT - 25K GVW, 2 5/16 COUPLER  
A-FRAME STEEL TOOL BOX (14IN)  
ST235/75R17.15J 18-PR**Trade Information**Allowance: \$0.00 Payoff: \$0.00  
Lien Holder:**Selling Price Summary****Selling Price** **\$19,198.00**

Discount \$0.00

**Additional Charges** \$0.00

Total Trade Allowance \$0.00

**Net Selling Price** **\$19,198.00**

Title Fee \$164.50

Loan Filing Fee \$0.00

License Plate Fee \$5.00

LC Fee \$0.00

Temp Plate Fee \$0.00

Other Fees \$0.00

Non Cash Fee \$0.00

Trade Payoff \$0.00

Sales Tax \$0.00

**Total Amount Due** **\$19,367.50**

Down Payment \$0.00

**Balance or Amount Financed** **\$19,367.50****Optional Equipment & Accessories****Notes**

MUNICIPAL PLATE?

**Loan Information**

Finance Company:

Address:

APR: 0.00%  
Term: -1 monthsMonthly Payment  
**\$0.00**

Manager Signature

Date

Buyer Signature

Date

Buyer Signature

Date