

Town of Vienna Board Minutes
April 15, 2025

The regular meeting was called to order on Monday, April 15, 2025, at 7:00PM by Chair Jerry Marx. Supervisors Dakota Cable, Amanda Nickel, Sherri Meinholz, Gary Endres, Public Works Scott Benson, and Clerk Kathy Clark were present. Also present, Residents Donna Marx, Nancy Caldwell, Laverne & Mary Wipperfurth and Jay Long.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Cable, second by Meinholz to approve the minutes for April 7, 2025, Town Board meeting. Motion carried (5-0).

Discussion and possible action on Timeline for Opting out of County Zoning: Clark explained that now that the comprehensive plan is approved, the next steps need to be discussed. A WTA handout on this procedure was provided but the timeline showed a five-year period which was different than planned to move forward. Clark stated some of the new material regarding the process has become a bit confusing and assistance with this would be needed. Act 264 was passed in 2023 and allows towns to opt out of County Zoning under new procedures. Clark explained the process was clear that a new Zoning Ordinance would be required but a Resolution needs to be filed first to set the deadlines. Marx asked if we need to get the town attorney involved. Clark thought having Attorney Mark Hazelbaker attend a meeting for a better understanding should be the next step. Hazelbaker had attended a meeting in the past but further attendance may incur costs. Clark just needs to know if that would be okay to proceed. The board agreed to contact Hazelbaker next.

Discussion and possible action regarding the new Cell Tower located on Town Land: US Cell has a tower on River Road, by the Vienna Daycare and Pinseekers. This one is planned to be decommissioned. A US Cell representative stopped in the office to inform the town about this. They also asked if the town would be willing to put up a new tower by the UD 1 lift station. Marx asked if anchor wires were holding up the tower but there are not any on the existing tower. Clark had sent the representative at US Cellular a copy of the certified survey map of the lift station that shows very little excess land available for a tower. It was suggested to consider the Brush site land located off Hwy I that has 2 acres of unused forestry land. Motion by Meinholz, second by Endres to deny the River Road location and suggest a lease agreement for the brush site. Motion carried (5-0)

Operator's License: None

Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Steve Ruegsegger last meeting with Cornerstone Community Center was held Tuesday, April 8th. No updates received regarding the Non-Profit status. Supervisor Cable meeting with Waunakee EMS was held on Thursday, April 10th. It was just regular business but at the next meeting, the commission will discuss the results of the study performed. Supervisor Meinholz meeting with Dane-Vienna Fire Department was held Monday, March 31st. They are discussing the costs of buying new radios and equipment. Supervisor Endres meeting with Waunakee Fire is scheduled for Monday, April 28th.

Town Clerk's Report: Public Works, Benson and Newman, will be attending the WTA Road School April 22-23rd in Wis. Dells. Also, the town is working with a few new prospects of development, residential and commercial. Each prospect has either called or emailed the town with possible ideas as landowners, but each one is in the very early stages of discussions.

Review and authorize payments of current town and utility bills, wages, and expenses: Motion by Endres, second by Meinholz to approve the current town bills as stated in the amount of \$9,878.20; Payroll \$2,331.82; Town Bills \$7,014.96; Utility 1 \$406.49 and Utility 2 \$124.93. Motion carried (5-0)

Adjourn: Motion by Endres, second by Cable, to adjourn. Motion carried (5-0). The meeting adjourned at 7:25PM.

Prepared by: Kathleen Clark, Town Clerk

Note: These draft minutes are subject to approval at May 5, 2025, Town Board Meeting