Town of Vienna Board Minutes
Monday, September 21, 2026

The regular town board meeting was called to order on Monday, September 21, 2026, at 7:00PM by Chair Jerry Marx. Supervisors Gary Endres, Amanda Nickel, Sherri Meinholz, Jenny Sweat (called in) and Clerk Kathy Clark were present. Also present was Public Works Supervisor Scott Benson, Lodi School Representatives, Vince Breunig, Terry Haag, Adam Steinberg and Jill Lincoln. Also present was residents Nancy Caldwell, Rhonda Meinholz and Nancy Roth.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Public Comment: Nancy Roth asked the board to support a petition to stop the 765 High Wire lines proposed to run along the area. Roth stated this will cause a 40% increase in energy use and it will cost over 2 billion dollars but they haven't proven the need yet. This is for the data centers that need the extra power to operate. The Town of Vienna is not impacted but Roth requested the town consider writing a resolution of support to stop the project. Discussion followed.

Approve or amend the minutes of the September 8, 2026, town board meeting: Motion by Endres, second by Meinholz to approve the minutes of September 8, 2026, town board meeting. Motion carried (4-0)

Presentation by Lodi School District Superintendent Vince Breunig on proposed Referendum: Breunig presented a slideshow with a timeline of how Lodi School District surveyed the community for what type of referendum the residents would vote to approve and what limit. An involved process that provided approval of several alternatives for seeking funds. They have a positive attitude about the proposed referendum based on survey results and improvements proposed. Discussion followed.

Jenny Sweatt joined meeting by phone at 7:10PM

Discussion and possible action on Rezone application for Pulvermacher-Parcel#0909-354-0181-0: This rezone was submitted to split a vacant lot, owned by Pulvermacher. It is located between the next neighbor property owned by Mallon. The two parties decided to split the less than one-acre lot and each take a half to add to their current lot. The rezone was necessary for correcting Pulvermacher current zoning for this property. The Plan Commission reviewed this at their last meeting and recommended approval. Motion by Meinholz, second Nickel to approve rezone application for Pulvermacher and Mallon to correct the zoning district and divide the vacant lot. Motion carried (5-0)

Discussion and possible action on Signature Cards Approval for Lake Ridge Bank: Clark explained that Lake Ridge bank would like the town board to appoint the officials for signing checks. Motion by Meinholz, second by Nickel to approve the following officials to sign signature cards for Lake Ridge Bank; Lori Breiwa, Kathy Clark, Jerry Marx and Gary Endres. Motion carried (5-0)

Update of Ordinance Enforcement Options available: Clark informed the board that Dane County is not ready to contract a deputy for town enforcement of speed limits and ordinances. Without county support, the town will need to consider a contract with a municipality that holds municipal court. Clark is looking into that as an option.

Operator's License: None

Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Nickel meeting with Cornerstone Community Center was held Tuesday, September 8th. The center is still waiting on organizational structure approval. Supervisor Sweatt meeting with Waunakee EMS was held Thursday, September 10th. They are working on 2027 budget. Supervisor Meinholz meeting with Dane-Vienna Fire Department is scheduled for Monday, September 28th. Supervisor Endres meeting with Waunakee Fire meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 28th.

Town Clerk's Report: Clark invited the board to attend the pre-screening premiere of Discover Wisconsin due to air statewide on Sunday, October 4th. This project was a collaboration between Vienna and Windsor Tourism Commissions and the Village of Deforest. The show covers all three areas with attractions for tourist to seek out.

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 $95,314.36; Payroll $5,920.32; Town Bills $88,479.63; Utility 1 $684.34 and Utility 2 $230.07. Motion carried (5-0)

Convene in Closed Session to Review Municipal Boundary Agreement with Village of Deforest: Motion by Endres, second by Nickel to convene in closed session. Motion by Roll call vote: Nickel, yes, Sweatt, yes, Marx, yes, Meinholz, yes, Endres, yes. Convene to closed session at 7:53pm

Reconvene in Open Session: Motion by Nickel, second by Meinholz to reconvene in open session. Motion carried (5-0) Reconvened at 8:15pm

Action taken in Closed Session: Motion by Endres, second by Nickel to direct the clerk to notify Village of Deforest that the town is no longer interested in pursuing this particular proposal. Motion carried (5-0)

Adjourn: Motion by Nickel, second by Meinholz to adjourn. Motion carried (5-0). The meeting adjourned at 8:16PM.

Prepared by: Kathleen Clark, Town Clerk

Note: These minutes were approved at the October 5, 2026, town board meeting.