

November 5, 2015

TOWN BOARD

Chair

Anthony Varda, 798-9999

Supervisors

Jeff Davis, 798-0080

Mike Statz, 798-4679

Joe Kruchten, 798-1735

Don Witmer Kean, 798-0883

TOWN OFFICE

Brenda Kahl, Clerk/Treasurer

9046 State Road 19

Mazomanie, WI 53560

767-4152

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Hours: 7:30 – 4:30, except

Wednesday 7:00 – 11:00

Email: twnberry@chorus.net

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TOWN GARAGE

Orlin Danz, Patrolman

(Cell) 444-0359

Hours: 7:00 – 3:30

FIRE WARDENS

Brenda Kahl

767-4152, during office hours

WI DNR

1-888-947-2876

<http://dnr.wi.gov>

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Dean Eppler

Independent Inspections, Ltd.

(800) 422-5220

DANE COUNTY SHERIFF

255-2345, Non Emergency

**LEGAL NOTICE POSTING
LOCATIONS**

Festge Park, DH Repair, Town Hall

TOWN BUDGET MEETING

Seventeen electors attended the November 2nd Public Budget Hearing and Meeting of the Electors.

The electors approved 12-2 the spending limit for 2016 for highways be set at the sum of \$591,805 plus the 2015 town highway spending limit less the actual expenditures for roads in 2015 and plus any emergency funding, grant funding and donations specifically for highways that the town receives in 2016 plus any funds in the highway capital equipment reserve as of January 1, 2016. This provides for purchase of a new plow truck by the Town.

Tony Varda, Town Chair, warned that significant increases in spending, which will raise taxes, will be requested next year to catch up on road maintenance, and will be passed on by those attending the 2016 Public Budget Hearing and Meeting of the Electors, one year from now.

The electors also adopted with a vote of 13-0 the town tax levy for 2015 in the amount of \$424,483 and adopted the Fire and EMS budgets to make a total local levy of \$519,617.

Brenda Kahl

NOMINATION PAPERS FOR APRIL 5, 2016 ELECTION

Two of the five Town Board Supervisor Seats will be up for election this April. Present incumbents are:

Town Board Supervisor Seat 3

Joe Kruchten

Town Board Supervisor Seat 4

Don Witmer Kean

The first day to circulate nominations papers is December 1, 2015 and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 pm on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 in the office of the Town Clerk.

Brenda Kahl

FIRE DANGER: LOW

A DNR burning permit is NOT required from June 1st to December 31st except when emergency burning restrictions are in effect. Therefore, burning is allowed any time today. If your burn will produce significant smoke, please notify your local sheriff's office to prevent unnecessary emergency responses.

WI DNR

NORTHWEST DANE SENIOR SERVICES HANDMADE CHRISTMAS IN WISCONSIN

Dine out at Freddy Valentines with shopping in Spring Green. The gallery is located just around the corner from Freddy Valentine's Restaurant.

Friday, November 13, 2015

Bus leaves NWDSS @ 12:30 PM

The round trip bus donation is \$3.

Sign up deadline is Wednesday, 11/11/2015.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Thursday, November 19, 2015

2 seatings: 11a.m. or 12 p.m.

Cost: \$7 (ages 60+)

Menu: Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, green beans, cranberries, pumpkin pie, and coffee
Carry-outs available

RSVP by 9 a.m. Mon 11/16 Call (608) 798- 6937

"CELEBRATE A LIFE" ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Thursday, December 10, 2015 5-7 PM

1837 Bourbon Rd

Chili Supper

Santa visits 5:30-6:30, followed by the Tree

Lighting Ceremony

NWDSS Newsletter

BERRY BREAKFAST

You are invited to the November 14th Berry Breakfast. We will gather for Breakfast around 9:00 a.m. at the Cross Plains Family Restaurant, Glaciers Edge Shopping Center in Cross Plains. Enjoy this regular informal fun with friends and neighbors from our area, as usual on the second Saturday of the Month. You and your neighbors are invited to this "no agenda, no expectations, no work" Dutch treat social event. Friends and guests are always welcome. Please join us when you can.

Karen Upper

GARBAGE/RECYCLABLE PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Monday, Nov 9 - Garbage and Recyclables

Monday, Nov 16 - Garbage Only

Monday, Nov 23 - Garbage and Recyclables

Monday, Nov 30 - Garbage Only

Monday, Dec 7 - Garbage and Recyclables

OCTOBER 19 TOWN BOARD MINUTES SUMMARY

(A summary of the minutes not yet approved by the Town Board.) Members present: Anthony Varda, Jeff Davis, Mike Statz, Joe Kruchten and Don Witmer Kean

Public Comments

*Duane Haag thanked the clerk for giving him the truck specification information. He commented that he was informed to stop being involved with preparing truck specifications by a source other than the town board.

Charter Communication's Request for a Refund of their 2014 Personal Property Taxes

The board denied the request for a refund of their 2014 personal property taxes because the request wasn't filed in a timely fashion nor was it supported by any specific evidence related to the nature of the equipment that they actually have in the Town of Berry and authorized the Clerk to advise them by certified mail that their claim was denied. Vote 5-0

A Cycle Road Event Permit was approved for Madison Motorcycle Club on October 24, 2015. Vote 5-0

Ordinance Amendment #16, Amending Chapter 10 of the Dane County Code of Ordinances, Regarding State Certification of the Farmland Preservation Zoning Ordinance was approved. Vote 5-0

Committee Reports

*Parks Committee: Approved the purchase of a sign identifying the Town's park

*Highway Commissioner: Received a complaint about a manure hauling on Enchanted Valley Road, the company filed for an activity in the right-of-way permit

Adjourn: 7:41 pm

Brenda Kahl

WINTER IS APPROACHING

Winter conditions are approaching. In order to help our plowing team, please keep turnarounds and the road right-of-way free from debris, vehicles, logs, and anything that may impede the snowplows. If there is not enough space for the plowing equipment to turn around, the road may not be plowed.

Don Witmer Kean

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PRESENTATION: YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

November 12, 2015

6:00-8:00 pm

Wisconsin Heights Middle/High School Auditorium

10173 US Highway 14, Mazomanie, WI

Early intervention is important given many developmental milestones in adolescence. Learning what to look for or listen for is important for parents, family members, and other adults working with children.

Nancy Pierce of Journey Mental Health Center will be presenting information on how to recognize and assist youth who may be experiencing a mental health or AODA crisis. The presentation is open to the public and is ideal for parents, teachers, clergy members, coaches, youth leaders, and other adults who work regularly with children and adolescents.

Topics will include the following:

First episode psychosis

Major depression and suicide risk

Anxiety including post trauma

Mood disorders/bipolar

Substance abuse

Referral for treatment

Supporting your child during treatment

What to do when your child/student is in a mental health crisis or emergency

Deputy Josalyn Longley

2015 WI DEER SEASONS:

State wide, except in state parks: Youth Gun Deer Hunt. One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag and one antlerless deer per unused Junior Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag. Both tags valid statewide.

November 21–29; (November 9-day Gun Deer Season)

Statewide: One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag and one antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU and land type (public access or private).

November 21–December 9

(Metro Subunits)

All Metro Subunits: One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag and one antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU and land type (public access or private).

December 10–13

Statewide Antlerless-only Hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU and land type. Only antlerless deer may be harvested.

2015 Archery and Crossbow Deer Seasons Season Dates Location and Harvest Limits

September 12–January 3, 2016

Statewide: One buck deer per unused Bow Buck Carcass Tag, except December 10–13 when only antlerless deer may be harvested. One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU and land type (public access or private).

September 12–January 31, 2016

(Metro Subunits)

All Metro Subunits: One buck deer per unused Bow Buck Carcass Tag, except December 10–13 when only antlerless deer may be harvested. One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU and land type (public access or private).

December 10–13

Statewide Antlerless-only Hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU and land type. Only antlerless deer may be harvested.

2015 Muzzleloader Deer Seasons*

Season Dates Location and Harvest Limits

November 30–December 9

Statewide: One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag and one antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU and land type (public access or private).

WI DNR

THREE OPTIONS TO REGISTER DEER

• **INTERNET:** Go to gamereg.wi.gov

• **TELEPHONE:** Call (844) 426- 3734.

• **IN-PERSON:** At stations around the state. Go to dnr.wi.gov and search “registration stations” for a list.

Need Help? Contact the DNR Call Center at (888) 936-7463 Hours 7 AM to 10 PM.

TOWN OF BERRY BOARD MEETING

November 16, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 9046 Hwy. 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approve minutes of October 8 and 19, 2015
3. Public Comments: You may address the Board on any item not on the agenda. A discussion item may be placed on a future agenda. Public comment may be heard on any agenda item either now, or at the time the agenda item is to be discussed, or at the discretion of the Town Chair at any other time the agenda item is discussed. Comments are generally limited to three minutes.
4. Discuss/approve/disapprove
 - A. (2015-9) Sharon Bessa, 5632 Schuman Road, driveway permit application. PC Vote 4-0
 - B. (2015-6) Oakridge Farms, 5130 & 5132 Curtis Kahl Road, Dane County Zoning Map Amendment Petition 10885
 - C. (2015-8) Oakridge Farms, Turkey Road, Zoning Ordinance Amendment 10904, 3.9 acre lot proposed A-2(2) zoning to CO-1Conservancy
5. Discussion/action re: Fireworks Ordinance 203.1
6. Discussion/action re: Ordinance 300.14, Applying Statutory Axle Weight Limits Under § 348.15(3)(b) to Agricultural Equipment Pursuant To § 348.15(9)(f)2
7. Discussion/action re: Refunding Cycle Road Event Permit deposit to the Madison Motorcycle Club
8. Discussion/action re: Vehicle specifications and purchase
9. Discussion/action re: Adopting the 2016 Budget
10. Budgetary Matters
 - A. Payment of bills
11. Committee reports/Correspondence/Communications
 - A. Fire Districts
 - B. EMS Districts
 - C. Other
12. Discussion of future agenda items
13. Adjourn

As of November 12, 2015 the final agenda will be posted on the website and the town’s three posting locations. The board attempts to finalize the agenda prior to the distribution of the newsletter

CALENDAR

All meetings are at the Town Hall, 9046 Hwy 19, Mazomanie, unless otherwise noted.

| November 2015 | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thursday, Nov 5, 7:00 pm | Black Earth Fire District, Black Earth Fire District Station |
| Thursday, Nov 12, 6:30 pm | District 1 EMS, District 1 EMS Building |
| Monday, Nov 16, 7:00 pm | Town Board |
| Saturday, Nov 21, 7:30 am | Plan Commission Site Visits, on site |
| Tuesday, Nov 24, 7:00 pm | Cross Plains EMS, Cross Plains Fire District Building |
| Tuesday, Nov 24, 8:00 pm | Cross Plains Fire District, Cross Plains Fire District Building |
| December 2015 | |
| Monday, Dec 7, 7:00 pm | Plan Commission |
| Monday, Dec 21, 7:00 pm | Town Board |
| Saturday, Dec 26, 7:30 am | Plan Commission Site Visits, on site |
| Tuesday, Nov 24, 8:00 pm | Cross Plains Fire District, Cross Plains Fire District Building |

This calendar is advisory only. Consult the 3 legal posting locations for legal notice