

September 8, 2016

TOWN BOARD

Chair

Anthony Varda, 798-9999

Supervisors

Jeff Davis, 798-0080

Mike Statz, 798-4679

Joe Kruchten, 798-1735

Duane Haag, 798-3638

TOWN OFFICE

Brenda Kahl, Clerk/Treasurer

9046 State Road 19

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767-4152

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Hours: 7:00 – 4:30, except

Wednesday 7:00 – 11:00

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TOWN GARAGE

Orlin Danz, Patrolman

(Cell) 444-0359

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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

Town website, Town Hall, Festge Park, DH Repair

BROADBAND SERVICE UPDATE

Last month TDS Telecom-Black Earth Telephone Company, LLC won a grant from the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin for installing broadband service in Berry. The grant means high speed broadband service should be available in most of the Western half of Berry within 16 to 20 months.

AUGUST 9 ELECTION RESULTS IN BERRY

199 Total Voters

REPUBLICAN PARTY

United States Senator

Ron Johnson 29

Representative in Congress District 2

Peter Theron 20

Representative to the Assembly District 79

Jordan Zadra 21

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

United States Senator

Russ Feingold 132

Scott Harbach 21

Representative in Congress District 2

Mark Pocan 124

Representative to the Assembly District 79

Dianne H Hesselbein 119

District Attorney

Bob Jambois 51

Ismael Ozanne 85

County Clerk

Scott A McDonnell 104

County Treasurer

Patrick Miles 36

Adam Gallagher 54

Richard V Brown Sr. 14

Register of Deeds

Kristi Chlebowski 98

LIBERTARIAN PARTY

United States Senator

Phillip N Anderson 0

Election Inspectors who worked at the August Election: Bob Agee, Debra Belongea, Kathy Bladl, Josephine Grosch, Dixie Johnson, Ken Johnson, Joan Paar, Marilyn Pauls, and Dorothy Seston. Thank you! Brenda Kahl

AUGUST 15 TOWN BOARD MINUTES SUMMARY

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

Public Comments

*Mike Theis informed the board that the Public Service Commission staff drafted a recommendation to the commission of which broadband grant applications should be constructed in 2017 and Berry was included

Cross Plains-Berry Joint Fire District and Fire Department Agreement

Discussion only. Reviewed the contract and will be submitting comments about requiring a 2/3 vote approval by the municipalities for budgets; add a statutory statement or guidance for volunteer funds; and question how approval for capital equipment purchases and construction/remodeling of fire station is handled.

Revising Communications Committee Policy 103.4, Newsletter Guidelines & Procedures Policy 107.1, Computer-Web Committee Policy 103.6 and Website Policy 107.2

The board set over until the next meeting for the clerk to revise the combined policy. Vote 5-0

Revising Town Board Meeting & Parliamentary Procedure Ordinance 101.1

The board set over until the next meeting. Vote 5-0

The Attorney Representation Agreement was approved. Vote 5-0

Acoustical Improvements for Town Hall

The board approved exploring further internet research on acoustical wall panels, their construction and Guildford FR-701 fabric, and other acoustical materials by having the clerk put together such materials for further review.

Vote 5-0

Sale of the 1997 Ford Truck

Discussed placing an ad in the Wisconsin Towns Association newsletter, renew the ad on Craigslist, and checking into Wisconsin Surplus and Prairie Truck Sales.

Committee Reports

*Joint Cross Plains Fire and EMS District meeting on August 23.

Adjourn: 8:24 pm

Brenda Kahl

BERRY BACKYARD CLUB

August:

Jeri and Jet Springstead generously gave us an information-packed presentation on bee-keeping, followed by a look inside several hives. Suited up, we made our way down to the bee yard, followed instructions, and observed active, very busy bees who were kindly oblivious to our peering presence. We are fortunate to have numerous apiarists in this area, including some from our own group-who are experienced, and happy to share their knowledge. There will be information on upcoming Dane Co Beekeeping meetings.



September:

1. Friday September 23rd, hike, lunch at "Driftless Glen, and distillery tour" led by Deb and Tracy. Meet at the Berry Town Hall by 9.30 am and we will carpool the short drive to Baraboo.

2. Seed collecting at Swamplovers will be Saturday September 17th. Meet at the shed at 9:30 and pick until noon. Our help is very much appreciated.

County Road KP, Cross Plains, WI 53528

October:

Wrap-up potluck and tour at Tracy and Jim's home near Spring Green. Date TBD.

Jane Varda
jane.varda@tds.net
608 798 9999

NORTHWEST DANE SENIOR SERVICES

Needs Your Help!

You're INVITED to a public meeting

Thursday, September 8, 2016

7:00 pm

NWDSS, 1837 Bourbon Rd., Cross Plains, WI

Please join us and gain an understanding of what we need to continue these critical services in our communities.

Thank You!

Paulette M. Glunn

NORTHWEST DANE SENIOR SERVICES NEWS

*Dine on Harvest Moon

Thursday, September 29, 2016

6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sugarland, 8637 Linley Road, Arena

Join us as we celebrate our 3rd annual event amid the rustic elegance of Sugarland, a lovely 1800's farm outside Arena. Catered by The Old Feed Mill and featuring local beer, wine and apple cider, come dance under the harvest moon to live music and bid on some terrific items in our silent auction. Tickets on sale now—\$50 per person at the NWDSS office, 1837 Bourbon Rd., Cross Plains. All proceeds benefit NWDSS.

*Polka Music

Harry Endres (Banjos & Buttons)

September 15 & October 20

10 – 11 am at Northwest Dane

Bus available, call to RSVP for a ride

*NWDSS Wish List

Dish soap

Vacuum

Stamps - \$.47

Kleenex

BINGO prizes

Large trash bags

Toilet paper

Thank you for your generosity!

NWDSS Newsletter

GARBAGE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Monday, Sept 12 - Garbage and Recyclables

Monday, Sept 19 - Garbage Only

Monday, Sept 26 - Garbage and Recyclables

Monday, Oct 3 - Garbage Only

BERRY BREAKFAST

You are reminded/invited to the Saturday, September 10th, Berry Breakfast. We will gather for Breakfast around 9:00 a.m. at The Cross Plains Family Restaurant, Glaciers Edge Shopping Center. As always you are invited to enjoy this regular informal fun with friends and neighbors on the second Saturday of each month. Gather with others from our area for this "no agenda, no expectations, no work" Dutch treat social event. Friends and guests are always welcome. Please join us if you can.

Karen Upper

GOT A WISH LIST FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION IN WISCONSIN? LET'S HEAR IT!

Do you paddle? Hike? Love to observe birds and wildlife? Walk? Fish or hunt? What about camping? We at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources need to hear about what you like to do in Wisconsin's great outdoors and what you believe is needed.

Please complete an online survey known for SCORP -- that stands for Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. In other words, it's a blueprint of sorts to help chart the future of outdoor fun and opportunities for all in Wisconsin's great outdoors.

Want to have a voice in the future of outdoor recreation? Great! Just go to dnr.wi.gov and search keyword, SCORP. Or you can use this link:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Lands/scorp/>

Your time is appreciated!

WI DNR

SCHOOL IS IN SESSION

Fall classes have begun, and buses are once again driving their daily routes. Drivers, please exercise



caution on our roads, watching for waiting students and stopped buses. Be aware that, by law, drivers must stop not

less than 20 feet from a bus when the flashing red lights are on, and must remain stopped until the bus driver extinguishes the red lights and resumes motion. Failure to do so could result in a minimum fine of \$326.50.

TOWN OF BERRY BOARD MEETING

September 19, 2016, 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 9046 Hwy. 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approve minutes of August 15, 2016
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. Northwest Dane Senior Services Update
5. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove
 - A. (2016-4) Gary & Jean Nelson, 4924 Scherbel Road, driveway permit application
 - B. (2014-9) Matthew & Janel Christianson, 5603 Whippoorwill Road, final driveway approval
 - C. (2015-9) Sharon Bessa, 5632 Schuman Road, final driveway approval
6. Discussion/action re: Newsletter, Periodic Email Updates and Website Policy 107.3
7. Discussion/action re: Revising Town Board Meeting & Parliamentary Procedure Ordinance 101.1
8. Discussion/action re: Refunding the cycle road event permit deposit for Great Dane Velo Club
9. Discussion/action re: Appointing Lois Fitzsimmons as an Election Inspector
10. Discussion/action re: Accurate Appraisal's Agreement for Maintenance
11. Discussion/action re: Setting date, time and location of Public Budget Hearing and Special Town Meeting of the Electors
12. Discussion/action re: Acoustical improvements for town hall
13. Discussion/action re: Installing GPS on vehicles
14. Budgetary Matters
 - A. Payment of bills
 - B. Purchase tires for 2012 Dodge Truck
 - C. Replacing town hall and salt shed roofs
 - D. Increasing Election Inspectors hourly wage
15. Committee reports/Correspondence/Communications
 - A. Fire Districts
 - B. EMS Districts
 - C. Other
16. Discussion of future agenda items
17. Adjourn

As of September 15, 2016 the final agenda will be posted on the website and the town hall posting board. 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.

September 2016	
Monday, Sept 12, 7:00 pm	Plan Commission
Wednesday, Sept 14, 7:30 pm	Cross Plains EMS, Cross Plains-Berry Fire Station
Monday, Sept 19, 7:00 pm	Town Board
Saturday, Sept 24, 7:30 am	Plan Commission Site Visits, on site
Monday, Sept 26, 7:00 am	Town Board Working Budget Meeting
October 2016	
Monday, Oct 3, 7:00 pm	Plan Commission
Monday, Oct 17, 7:00 pm	Town Board
Saturday, Oct 22, 7:30 am	Plan Commission Site Visits, on site

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