

March 13, 2018

## 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

Mazomanie, WI 53560

767-4152

Fax: 767-3015

Hours: 7:00 – 4:30, except

Wednesday 7:00 – 11:00

Email: [twberry@chorus.net](mailto:twberry@chorus.net)

Web: [www.townofberry.org](http://www.townofberry.org)

## TOWN GARAGE

Orlin Danz, Patrolman

(608) 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>

## GARBAGE/RECYCLING

Town & Country Sanitation

(608) 375-5856

## DANE COUNTY SHERIFF

(608) 267-4936, West Precinct

## LEGAL NOTICE POSTING LOCATIONS

Town website, Town Hall, Festge Park,  
DH Repair

## TOWN OF BERRY ANNUAL MEETING

The Town of Berry Annual Meeting is a public meeting which allows town residents the opportunity to discuss issues specific to the Town in accordance with Wisconsin State Statute 60.10. This is a forum where residents/electors can ask questions. The Town of Berry is conducting the annual meeting on April 17, 2018 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall and invites all Town of Berry citizens to attend. The following is the current agenda:

### Town of Berry Annual Meeting Agenda

April 17, 2018 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall, 9046 State Road 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560

1. Call to Order
2. Approve April 18, 2017 annual meeting minutes
3. 2017 annual report
4. Set annual meeting for 2019
5. Discussion of garbage and recycling program
6. Other issues as desired by attendees
7. Adjourn

Brenda Kahl

## OPEN BOOK APRIL 16; BOARD OF REVIEW MAY 3

Open Book is scheduled for Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm at the town hall. When the assessment roll is completed the assessor must be present for at least 2 hours while the roll is open for inspection by property owners. This period of time is an opportunity to discuss your property value with the assessor and provide reason for changing the value, if appropriate. The assessor is allowed to make any changes that are necessary to perfect the assessment roll. When Open Book ends, the assessment roll will be submitted to the town clerk for Board of Review on Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8 pm.

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## WISCONSIN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Wisconsin Heights Community Garden has premium garden plots available! \$15/10' x 20'. Open to anyone with interest. Contact [wisconsinheightsgarden@gmail.com](mailto:wisconsinheightsgarden@gmail.com) or call 608-960-9424

Deb Pienkowski

**SPRING ELECTION IS TUESDAY, APRIL 3**

The Town of Berry Hall will be open for the Spring Election from 7:00 am – 8:00 pm.

On the ballot:

**Justice of the Supreme Court**

Michael Screnock  
Rebecca Dallet

**Court of Appeals Judge, District 4**

JoAnne F Kloppenburg

**Circuit Court Judge, Branch 1**

Marilyn Townsend  
Susan M Crawford

**Circuit Court Judge, Branch 8**

Frank D Remington

**Circuit Court Judge, Branch 11**

Ellen K Berz

**County Supervisor, District 28**

Nikki Jones

**Town Board Supervisor Seat 3**

Joe Kruchten

**Town Board Supervisor Seat 4**

Duane Haag  
Christine Molling

**Middleton Cross Plains Area School District**

**School Board Member Area II**

Sean W Hyland

**School Board Member Area IV**

Linda Yu

**School Board Member Area V**

Anne Bauer  
K Bartlett Durand Jr

**Sauk Prairie School District**

**School Board Member**

Steven L Sprecher  
Jim Isaacson  
Dennis Virta

**Wisconsin Heights School District**

**School Board Member**

Gary Damaschke  
Cindy Beuthin  
Isaiah Crowe

**State Referendum. Question 1: Elimination of State Treasurer**

Shall sections 1 and 3 of article VI and sections 7 and 8 of article X of the constitution be amended and section 17 of article XIV of the constitution be created, to eliminate the office of state treasurer from the constitution and to replace the state treasurer with the lieutenant governor as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands?

**TOWN BOARD CANDIDATES FOR APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup> ELECTION**

Each year, candidates for the Town of Berry Board are invited to provide information for publication in this newsletter. You should contact a candidate if you have questions about town business or where they stand on issues of town government.

**CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR SEAT 3**

**Name:** Joe Kruchten  
**Address:** 6220 Matz Road, Dane  
**Phone:** 798-1735  
**Email:** joekathykruchten@gmail.com  
**Incumbent:** Yes  
**Occupation:** Retired

**Years Lived in Berry:** 35 years  
**Current Use of Property in Berry:** Personal Residence  
**Previous Community Service:** Town Board 4 years, Cross Plains/Berry Fire Commission 4 years, Park Committee Chairperson 4 years, Plan Commission 2 years, Roads/Capital Equipment Committee 2 years

**CANDIDATES FOR SUPERVISOR SEAT 4**

**Name:** Duane Haag  
**Address:** 8691 State Road 19, Mazomanie  
**Phone:** 798-3638  
**Email:** N/A  
**Incumbent:** Yes  
**Occupation:** Business Owner  
**Years Lived in Berry:** 30+  
**Current Use of Property in Berry:** Home and Business  
**Previous Community Service:** Military Service, Donated time on Town Board, no base pay or meeting per diems.

**Name:** Christine Molling  
**Address:** 9244 Gorst Road, Mazomanie  
**Phone:** 608-712-3033  
**Email:** cmolling@outlook.com  
**Incumbent:** No  
**Occupation:** Small business owner: Gorst Valley Hops  
**Years Lived in Berry:** 16  
**Current Use of Property in Berry:** Residence  
**Previous Community Service:** 7 years on Communication Committee

## REGISTER TO VOTE – APRIL 3 ELECTION

If you take just a few minutes to go online to the state's MyVote.WI.gov website, you can make sure you are registered to vote at your current address. If you are not registered or you need to update your name or address, you can start the process online. If you don't have internet access, call Brenda at 767-4152 to help you. You can register to vote in the Town of Berry by mail, in person or on Election Day.

1. By mail. Download and fill out the Application for Voter Registration at [http://elections.wi.gov/sites/default/files/gab\\_forms/4/el\\_131\\_voter\\_registration\\_app\\_fillable\\_rev\\_2016\\_\\_16117.pdf](http://elections.wi.gov/sites/default/files/gab_forms/4/el_131_voter_registration_app_fillable_rev_2016__16117.pdf) and mail to Town of Berry, 9046 State Road 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560. The application must be postmarked no later than March 14<sup>th</sup>. You must always provide a Proof of Residence document when registering. If you are registering by mail, you can use any of the forms of Proof of residence outlined below except a residential lease.

2. In person. Register in the municipal clerk's office up to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. You must always provide a Proof of Residence document as outlined below.

3. At the polling place on Election Day. You must always provide a Proof of Residence document as outlined below.

### **All Proof of Residence documents must include the voter's name and current residential address.**

Acceptable forms of proof of residence are:

- A current and valid State of Wisconsin driver license or State ID card
- Any other official identification card or license issued by a Wisconsin governmental body or unit
- Any identification card issued by an employer in the normal course of business and bearing a photo of the card holder, but not including a business card
- A real estate tax bill or receipt for the current year or the year preceding the date of the election
- A gas, electric, or telephone service statement (utility bill) for the period commencing no earlier than 90 days before Election Day

- Bank statement
- Paycheck or paystub
- A check or other document issued by a unit of government
- A letter on public or private social service agency letterhead identifying a homeless voter and describing the individual's residence for voting purposes.
- Residential lease that is effective on date of registration (not valid if registering by mail)
- An intake document from a residential care facility such as a nursing home or assisted living facility.

## REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT

A registered voter may request an absentee ballot by mail, email or fax. An acceptable photo ID must be shown or submitted with all applications. To receive an absentee ballot do one of the following:

1. Download and fill out the Application for Absentee Voting form at [http://elections.wi.gov/sites/default/files/gab\\_forms/4/el\\_121\\_application\\_for\\_absentee\\_ballot\\_2016\\_08\\_p\\_25916.pdf](http://elections.wi.gov/sites/default/files/gab_forms/4/el_121_application_for_absentee_ballot_2016_08_p_25916.pdf)
2. Mail the application to Town of Berry, 9046 State Road 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560, or Email the application to [twnberry@chorus.net](mailto:twnberry@chorus.net), or Fax the application to 608-767-3015  
The application must be received no later than 5:00 pm on March 29<sup>th</sup> in order for an absentee ballot to be submitted to you.
3. Request an absentee ballot in person at the town hall up until 5:00 pm on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

## FEBRUARY 20 ELECTION RESULTS IN BERRY

### **166 Total Voters**

### **Justice of the Supreme Court**

Rebecca Dallet	71
Michael Screnock	56
Tim Burns	39

Election Inspectors who worked at the February Primary: Kathy Bladl, Josephine Grosch, Joan Paar, Marilyn Pauls and Dorothy Seston  
Thank you!

## **FEBRUARY 19 TOWN BOARD MINUTES SUMMARY**

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

### **Public Comments**

Jim Pulvermacher, Dane County Towns Association, commented on requesting zoning maps from Dane County, Asphalt seminar, and gps tracking of signs and culverts

### **Zoning**

Peter & Nicki Doggart's, 6216 Old Settlers Road, zoning change of 9.1 acres from A-1Ex to SFR was approved. Vote 5-0

### **Driveway Permit**

Jose Rojo's, 5987 Whippoorwill Road, driveway permit application was approved contingent upon filing with the clerk a copy of the final joint driveway agreement. Vote 5-0

### **Robert Baller, Prairie Enthusiasts, Request to eliminate town hall use charge for a class**

The board approved waiving the use charge fee for a class in exchange for Robert Baller's assistance in burning the town's prairie. Vote 5-0

### **General Engineering Company proposal for building inspection services**

The board set it over to the March meeting for the Clerk to send a letter to SAFEbuilt requesting a copy of their current contract and to prepare a request for proposals for building permit services. Vote 5-0

**Converting and updating the website** was set over to the March meeting to prepare and review a request for proposals. Vote 4-0. Haag abstained

### **Review and rate the Dane County Towns Association list of initiatives and policies**

Forward to the Dane County Towns Association that the board chose broadband, roads, insurance and local control as the top four initiatives and policies with a disclaimer that others are ranked if you wish to receive other rankings.

### **Set dates for Open Book and Board of Review**

The board approved holding Open Book on April 16 from 4-6 pm and Board of Review on May 3 from 6-8 pm. Vote 5-0

### **Scheduling March Meeting**

The board moved the March meeting to Monday, March 26, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Vote 5-0

### **Policy re trash cans in the right of way and parking on town roads**

The board approved having the Dane County Community Deputy contact the offenders who are parking on town roads. Vote 5-0

The board approved setting over to the March meeting a policy on trash cans in the road right of way in order to obtain example policies. Vote 4-1. In favor: Haag, Statz, Varda and Kruchten.

Opposed: Davis

### **Committee Reports**

\*Issues with water running across Scherbel, Enchanted Valley and other town roads

\*Request zoning section maps from Dane County

\*Ask the Dane County Community Deputy to attend a town meeting

**Adjourn:** 8:19 pm

Brenda Kahl

## **ACCEPTING BIDS FOR MAINTAINING TOWN HALL/GARAGE GROUNDS**

The following items shall be maintained on the grounds surrounding the town hall, garage and salt shed.

1. The following services are to be provided for the price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per mowing  
Mow weekly as needed; Trim grass; Clear sidewalk, shelter and parking areas of grass clippings
2. Pruning shrubs as needed (approximately twice a year) for a rate of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per pruning.
3. Pulling and/or spraying round-up to control weeds in washed stone beds around town hall at the rate of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per application. Prior approval needed before spraying
4. Mowing 5 foot path around park & pond approximately every other mowing for the price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per mowing
5. Mowing athletic field for the price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per mowing

The contractor is responsible to furnish all equipment, materials and labor. The contractor must carry liability insurance (submit a copy along with your bid) and be certified to apply pesticides. Town personnel are to be consulted if there are any questions. Bids must be received by April 6, 2018 along with three references, mailed to Town of Berry, 9046 State Road 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560. Bid forms are available online at [www.townofberry.org](http://www.townofberry.org) or at the Town Hall.

**ANNUAL SPRING ROADSIDE CLEANUP**

The Eighteenth Annual Berry Roadside Cleanup will be Saturday, April 7, 2018. Please volunteer to pick up roadside trash and recyclables on one of the following lengths of town and county roads listed below. Separate garbage from recyclables and place both with your regular Monday morning garbage and recyclables.

Please call 767-4152 or email [townberry@chorus.net](mailto:townberry@chorus.net) to let Brenda know which road segment you will do, so efforts are not duplicated. If your first is taken she will find another close by.

<u>Tn/Cty Rd</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
K	P	Otto Kerl
K	Otto Kerl	Ench Valley
K	Ench. Valley	Schuman
K	Schuman	Hwy 19
KP	In Sect. 31 rural #9450-9244	
KP	Cowling-Scheele	4934 Hwy
KP	4934 Hwy KP	Otto Kerl
KP	Otto Kerl	Table Bluff
KP	Table Bluff	Pine
KP	Pine	Far View
KP	Far View	Hwy 19
KP	Hwy 19	Breunig
Otto Kerl	Hwy K	Schuman
Otto Kerl	Schuman	Hwy KP
Martinsville	Hwy K	High Rise
Martinsville	High Rise	Whippoorwill
Whippoorwill	Martinsville	Hwy 19
Schuman	Otto Kerl	5671 Schum.
Schuman	5671 Schuman	Hwy K
Spring Valley	Schuman	Pine
Spring Valley	Pine	Hwy KP
Spring Valley	Hwy KP	Scherbel
Spring Valley	Scherbel	Turkey
Spring Valley	Turkey	9504 S.V.
Far View	Hwy KP	Knickmeier
Far View	Knickmeier	Spring Val.
Knickmeier	All	
Turkey	Spring Valley	Swamp
Turkey	Swamp	Blackberry
Blackberry	Turkey	Kahl
Kahl	Blackberry	South Valley
Kahl	South Valley	Scherbel
Scherbel	Spring Valley	Kahl
Scherbel	Kahl	Hwy 14
South Valley	Kahl	Barman
South Valley	Barman	Hwy KP
Table Bluff	Hwy KP	Scherbel
Matz	Hwy 19	Helt
Indian Trail	Martinsville	s curve

Indian Trail	s curve	Hwy K
Pine	Spring Valley	Hwy KP
Old Settlers	Hwy 19	Gorst
Old Settlers	Gorst	town line
Kalsow	All	
Gorst	All	
Ench. Valley	P	town Line
Ench. Valley	P	Hillpoint
Ench. Valley	Hillpoint	Otto Kerl
Ench. Valley	Otto Kerl	Hwy K
Ench. Valley	Hwy K	End
Hillpoint	P	5191 Hillpt
Hillpoint	5191 Hillpt	Ench. Valley
Hillpoint	Ench. Valley	P
Jacoby	All	
Carya	All	

**ACCEPTING BIDS FOR MAINTAINING SUNNING HILL CEMETERY**

The following services are to be provided for the price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per mowing  
Mow the cemetery; Mow the roadway from Old Settlers Road to the cemetery; Trim tree branches as needed; Treat weeds around stumps; Trim around tombstones, but do not trim flowers, bushes, etc. around tombstones planted by family members.

The cemetery must be maintained prior to Memorial Day for memorial services.

The cemetery is mowed approximately 10 times per year.

The contractor is responsible to furnish all equipment, materials and labor. The contractor must carry liability insurance (submit a copy along with your bid) and be certified to apply pesticides. Town personnel are to be consulted if there are any questions. Bids must be received by April 6, 2018 along with three references, mailed to Town of Berry, 9046 State Road 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560. Bid forms are available online at [www.townofberry.org](http://www.townofberry.org) or at the Town Hall.

**BLACK EARTH FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION**

**Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser**

Sunday, April 8, 2018, 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Black Earth Fire Station, 711 Blue Mounds St.  
\$8.00 Adults, \$6.00 Seniors, \$4.00 Under age 10  
Fire truck rides for all!

Help support your local Fire Department and enjoy a meal prepared by the department members.

## TOWN OF BERRY BOARD MEETING

March 26, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 9046 Hwy. 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560

### AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approve minutes of February 19, 2018
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. Discussion/action re: 2017 Audit
5. Discussion/action re:
  - A. (R-2018-2) Jose Rojo, 5987 Whippoorwill Road, Section 12, zoning change of 3.03 acres from A-1Ex to SFR, Single Family Residential and 37.42 acres from A-1Ex to AG, Agriculture. PC vote 5-0
  - B. (R-2018-3) Joseph & Karen Barman, 5084 South Valley Road, Section 29, zoning change of 2.66 acres from A-1Ex to SFR, Single Family Residential. PC vote 5-0
  - C. (D-2018-2) Joseph & Karen Barman, 9211 Kahl Road, driveway permit application. PC vote 5-0
  - D. (R-2018-4) Leonard Ziegler Jr, 4996 County Road P, Section 26, zoning change of 9.57 acres from A-1Ex to SFR, Single Family Residential, creating two lots. PC vote 5-0
  - E. (R-2018-5) Leonard Ziegler Jr, 4996 County Road P, Section 35, zoning change of 3.10 acres from A-1Ex to SFR, Single Family Residential. PC vote 5-0
6. Discussion/action re: Scherbel Road project reconstruction plans and bidding
7. Discussion/action re: 2018 Road projects
8. Discussion/action re: Cycle Road Event Permit for Friends of Blue Mounds State Park on June 16, 2018
9. Discussion/action re: Deed notice document for recording splits
10. Discussion/action re: Town building permit contract and request for proposals for town building inspector services
11. Discussion/action re: Request for proposals for website conversion and updating
12. Discussion/action re: Policy for placement of garbage/recycling containers in the road right-of-way
13. Discussion/action re: Revising Town Board Meeting & Parliamentary Procedure Ordinance 101.1
14. Discussion/action re: Reviewing/revising Penalties and Enforcement of Ordinances 100.2
15. Discussion/action re: Reviewing/revising National Holiday Observance by Town Board and Plan Commission Policy 101.3
16. Discussion/action re: Reviewing/revising Use of Professional Services Policy 101.4
17. Budgetary Matters
  - A. Payment of bills
18. Committee reports/Correspondence/Communications
  - A. Fire Districts
  - B. EMS Districts
  - C. Other
19. Discussion of future agenda items
20. Adjourn

Persons requiring additional services to participate in a public meeting should contact the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, 9046 Hwy 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560. 767-4152 twnberry@chorus.net

As of March 19, 2018 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