

MINUTES

JOINT TOWN/CITY PLANNING MEETING

January 28, 2025

The regular meeting of the Joint Town/City Planning Committee were called to order by Scott Barnhart at 4:06 p.m. on January 28, 2025 at the City of Menomonie City Hall.

Members present included: Deb Gotlibson, Scott Barnhart, Gerald Mrdutt, Megen Hines, David Schofield, Donald Hayden, Scott Nabbefeld, Dustin Binder, Bob Cook, Dan Dunbar, Randy Knaack.

Motion was made by Gotlibson, second by Mrdutt, to approve the October 29, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Barnhart asked Hines for an update regarding the joint 2025 Clean Sweep Collection Event. Hines indicated that the City of Menomonie, Town of Menomonie and Town of Red Cedar Joint City/Town Clean Sweep Collection Event will be held on September 25, 2025 at the Community Services Department (621 11th Avenue West). Nabbefeld noted that the County Clean Sweep Collection Event will be held on September 26, 2025 at the Dunn County Highway Department (3303 USH 12 East). The Joint City/Town event and County event must be separate due to grant funding obtained for each. Gotlibson asked if City/Town residents can use County event if more convenient for them? Nabbefeld indicated that they could. No action taken.

Barnhart asked Hines for an update regarding the 2025 Electronics Collection Event. Hines indicated that the City of Menomonie, Town of Menomonie and Town of Red Cedar are currently planning to hold a Joint City/Town Electronics Collection in late April or early May. Nabbefeld indicated that the County is interested in partnering on this too. Hines indicated that Eric Atkinson and Kris Korpela are discussing if or how this could be done. Hines will provide an update by e-mail once a decision is reached. No action taken.

Barnhart asked for updates regarding ATV/UTV. Schofield reported that the City enacted an ordinance opening most City streets to ATV/UTV use beginning in Fall 2024. To date, there have been no major issues on city streets. City will be reviewing ordinance again in the fall. Barnhart noted that the City's ordinance differs from the Towns and County. Schofield noted that additional requirements were added to the City's ordinance to address concerns raised by public and councilmembers. The Towns reported minimal issues. The County reported that the majority of issues encountered have been ATV/UTV drivers operating on state highways, particularly on STH 40 near Colfax, which are not open to ATV/UTV use. No action taken.

Barnhart asked for an update regarding the City's Urban Sewer Service Area Plan. Schofield discussed the upcoming kickoff for the City's Sewer Service Area Plan. The City is partnering with West Central Regional Planning Commission (WCRPC) who has a grant to update this plan. The plan update kickoff meeting will be on January 30th, 2025 with a stakeholder committee comprised of local government representatives. No action taken.

Barnhart asked for discussion regarding the Town/City Development Map. Barnhart noted that the Map came together through a series of meetings of this body dating back many years. Committee reviewed map. Cook noted that there is a rumor of a proposed development on the east side of CTH B and wondered why the Town of Red Cedar was not given a heads up. Schofield noted that the City has notified all potential developers of the existence of the Town/City Development Map and intends to provide notice to the Town if/when a developer formally approaches the City. Schofield clarified that this Town/City Development Map is a guidance document that does not limit the ability of property owners to petition for annexation. Schofield noted that

the Town/City Development Map is not a Cooperative Boundary Agreement for several reasons including that there was never a publicly noticed public hearing. Committee will review the Town/City Development Map and continue discussion at the next meeting. No action taken.

Barnhart asked for 2025 Project Updates:

- City: Schofield indicated that the City will be reconstructing Pine Avenue from Wilson St to Game Park Rd starting in May. City has several non-street projects including a pretreatment project for ConAgra waste prior to the wastewater treatment plant and building improvements at Leisure Services Center. Looking to do a project on Heller Road in 2026 or 2027. Mayor Dock on southside of Lake Menomin. Looking to add e-bike rentals. Winter Wonderland hockey rink + Wolske Bay Island skating. Selling 29 acres on 59th Street NE to a warehouse/distribution facility.
- County: Binder indicated that the County will be reconstructing CTH D (Irvington Hill), CTH D and G (near Jakes) looking to purchase real estate and define better entrances to the Pioneer, CTH J (Dairyland Road). CTH B is complete. Reduced load posting on the Cedar Falls bridge (BB) down to 20 tons.
- T. of Menomonie: 370th Ave ARIP grant, partnership with T. of Dunn, work to be completed this summer. 330th Turkey Hill Rd Albrightsons/Monarch, 2nd lift of asphalt complete this spring. Ordered tandem truck.
- T. Red Cedar: waiting on DelMar consulting study for road conditions and priority work. Culvert Repairs.
- T. Tainter: ordered new single-axle truck. No major road resurfacing work, just patching, chip seal, etc. Investigating Base 1 Stabilizer for gravel roads.
- Dunbar was asked about the former transfer station on STH 29. 10 acres has been placed on the market. County retaining the remainder of the property for future use.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday April 8, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. in City Hall Conference Room 58.

There being no further business, Knaack made a motion, seconded by Mrdutt, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Megen Hines
Recording Secretary