

COOPERATIVE BOUNDARY COMMITTEE
VILLAGE OF DRESSER & TOWN OF OSCEOLA
MINUTES – JUNE 29, 2015

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Cooperative Boundary Committee meeting was held on Monday, June 29, 2015, in the Dresser Municipal Office, 102 W Main Street, Dresser WI. Members of the committee present: Mike Wallace, Neil Gustafson, Wayne Moberg, and Jim Thanig. Also present Jodi A Gilbert, Clerk/Treasurer Village of Dresser. Members of the public present: Jim & Jeanne Rochford, Glyn Thorman, and one other person. No press in attendance. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Purpose of the meeting is as follows: Organizational meeting to start the process of developing a Cooperative Boundary Agreement between the Village of Dresser and the Town of Osceola.

Committee set up the following Meeting Guidelines:

1. Chairman – Neil Gustafson
2. Public Comments – allow 3 minutes per citizen at the beginning of a meeting
3. Minutes – Clerk – Jodi A Gilbert will do for the time being
4. How often does the committee want to meet – our plan was a year to complete and we have up to a year and a half. Committee agreed to meet monthly for the time being next meeting set for – Monday, July 27, 2015 at 6:00 PM

Wallace stated we need to have an understanding of where we are heading. There are a lot of resources out there. The Department of Administration is the lead agency on these types of agreements. They are where we have pulled the fact sheets, flow charts, and other sample boundary agreements. Both communities have approved a resolution allowing us to enter into the planning phase. State Statute 66.0307 explains what is allowed and what is not. The agreement should state one of the following: 1) This boundary line shall change and it would include a time frame 2) This boundary line may change again with possible time frames. For example - when 90% of this block is created into houses and then they shall or may annex. Wallace stated that Beseler told him that he would not support an agreement with a lot of shalls in it and I agree with that. 3) This boundary line subject to a set of conditions and if the town and village agrees then it could be annexed and 4) Along this boundary there would be no changes/no annexation. We all agree with the way it is now and it will stay that way for the next 10 years. This agreement needs to work in conjunction with both of our Comprehensive Plans. Both communities commented that they have not done any amendments to their plans since they were adopted. We can review the maps/text in the comprehensive plans as a starting point. When you look at sample plans they don't seem over whelming. The agreement needs to take into account current laws/ordinances – village zoning – county zoning. Once we get more into it we may have to pull in experts from the Department of Administration and our attorneys. The plan has to be for 10 years unless Department of Administration agrees to go longer. Once we get the actual agreement drafted then the time frames become important and right now we are at a 1 year target. Wallace had brought to the meeting a couple sample summaries from other plans that have been

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reviewed. The committee reviewed the City of Oshkosh and Town of Black Wolf 2012 Cooperative Plan and then they reviewed the City of New Richmond and Town of Star Prairie 2012 Cooperative Plan. Gustafson stated we will need a good map to define our areas. At this time in the law any property that is annexed has to pay the other 5 years worth of taxes. This can be a negotiating condition. We need to take the maps from both communities and compare areas supporting development that may lead to annexation. The town doesn't like to give up land. The Village usually wants to have annexation. When looking at the maps services that may be needed will need to be addressed. How do we combine these two maps? When looking at the maps remember you have 4 options 1) Shall be annexed 2) May be annexed 3) Annexed with conditions 4) Never be Annexed. Need to review the definitions of descriptions used for the land use and make sure it suits the actual use of the land. Gustafson stated I believe we each have defined homework. We each need to review both comprehensive plans and have a handle on them. We need to review the maps and brain storm on how to label them at the next meeting. Gilbert stated she would look into getting some plain maps without all of the color codes on them to start over. Wallace stated the Village may want to do some talking on what they want. Hopefully we can all come to some middle ground on that. The Town of Osceola may also be doing this with the Village of Osceola. Wallace stated when you look at the existing map there are areas labeled rural preservation – I am going to need some convincing why rural preservation areas shouldn't be taken off the annexation table completely or at least requiring the towns approval in the future. This is a question to the Village. Does future development follow the existing utilities? Wallace continued we need to come back with the maps and discuss. Is the definition of rural preservation the same for both communities? I don't believe we should be forcing people to annex.

Motion Gustafson/Wallace to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert – Dresser Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.