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Dear Board Members,

The Dane County Surveyor's Office has contracted for the perpetuation and maintenance of the United States Public Land Survey System (USPLSS) monuments in Township 8 North, Range 8 East; Township 8 North, Range 9 East; Township 8 North, Range 10 East; and Township 8 North, Range 11 East (Town of Springfield, Town of Westport, Town of Burke, Town of Sun Prairie, Village of Waunakee, part of Village of Deforest and part of City of Sun Prairie). This work will include finding, restoring and / or replacing USPLSS section corner monuments and collecting accurate coordinate data. This work will take place throughout the year until the end of July 2018.

This project is part of a long term countywide USPLSS Re-monumentation Program for the entire county. These monuments make up the skeletal structure of our land ownership system. This project will benefit residents in many ways, some of which are cost savings on property surveys, more accurate mapping in the Dane County parcel data and Farm Services Agency data, and provide a much more accurate base for analyzing title issues.

The contracted vendor for this work in Springfield is River Valley Surveying, LLC, in Westport Williamson Surveying & Associates, and in Burke and Sun Prairie is Talarczyk Land Surveys, LLC. Survey crews will need to access private properties to locate these vital corner locations. While surveyors typically attempt to contact landowners before entering private property, they do have the right of trespass to conduct their work. It is extremely cost prohibitive and nearly impossible to contact every land owner, especially in highly developed areas. Some small hand-dug road excavations may be necessary. Any holes made will be patched. If Town Board Members or constituents have any questions regarding this project, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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