

Utilities and Community Facilities

Major Findings

- ❑ The Town is providing minimal but adequate public services to its residents.
- ❑ Educational systems in or near the Town of Friendship offer excellent opportunities for town residents to get a good education.
- ❑ Town residents have a wide choice of medical facilities in neighboring communities.

Recommendations

- ❑ With an adequate sewer system, encourage future town growth to happen in the Van Dyne area and near USH 41 interchanges.
- ❑ Support more recreational area development

Goal, Objectives, and Policy

Goal

- ❑ To provide community facilities and services that are well maintained and sufficient for the needs of the residents of the town. Work with the private sector and surrounding communities when it is beneficial.

Objectives

1. **Road Maintenance** Provide adequate public safety and road maintenance to all residents and businesses in the town.
2. **Warning Sirens** Work with other local, county and state officials to expand the emergency siren warning system.
3. **Railroad Drainage Issues** Work with the Canadian National Railroad to improve stormwater drainage in the railroad's ditches.
4. **Nuisance Ordinance** Review existing Town ordinances and standards as needed to strengthen the nuisance issues, such as junked vehicles on private property.
5. **Stormwater** Consider how stormwater will be filtered before reaching Lake Winnebago.
6. **Public Water** Secure a water contract with an adjoining community, should the need arise for a public water system in the town.

Policy

- ❑ The Town of Friendship should meet as needed with surrounding communities to determine how services and equipment can be shared, mutually funded, or jointly purchased.

Background Information

Utilities

See Map 9, Town of Friendship Utilities and Community Facilities

Table 8
Town of Friendship Utilities and Community Facilities

Utility	Provider	Analysis
Water	None	A public water supply may need to be secured in the future if groundwater quality becomes an issue
Wastewater Collection System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town of Friendship Sanitary Districts #1 (along Lakefront & Van Dyne) Town of Friendship Sanitary #2 (Manufactured Home Park) 	0.238 MGD owned at Fond du Lac Regional Plant; 0.168 MGD owned at plant, current usage is 0.123 MGD. Sufficient capacity now exists for projected growth. No capacity improvements are planned, only normal Maintenance The Sewer Service Area Plan has more detail on the Friendship collection system and sewer service area boundaries. This information can be found at: http://www.eastcentralrpc.org/planning/community%20facilities/ssa_documents/reports/FondDuLacSSA_2001.pdf
Treatment Plant	Fond du Lac Regional Treatment Plant	None planned - normal maintenance
Stormwater Management	The Town of Friendship is not exempt from Wisconsin's NR216 stormwater management regulations. The Town may need to consider community stormwater detention facilities or a Stormwater Utility District. Otherwise, development is regulated by Fond du Lac County's Erosion Control and Stormwater Management Ordinance.	
Waste Disposal	No public services provided. Private services provided by Waste Management	Improvements made as needed
Recycling	Private contract through Waste Management	Improvements made as needed
Telecommunications		
Land Line	AT&T and Charter	Improvements made as needed
Wireless	Various	Improvements made as needed
Internet	AT&T and Charter	Improvements made as needed
Cable	Charter	Improvements made as needed
Fiber Optics	None available	Not Applicable
Electricity		
Generation	Alliant Energy	Improvements made as needed
Transmission	American Transmission Co.	No planned projects in the Fond du Lac area
Distribution	Alliant Energy	Improvements made as needed
Natural Gas	Alliant Energy	Improvements made as needed
Police	Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Department	The Town considers police services from the Sheriff's Department to be adequate. Information at www.fdlsheriff.com

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Fire Department	Fire calls are initially answered by the Van Dyne/Black Wolf Fire Department. Mutual aid partners (N. Fond du Lac, Eldorado, and Nekimi) often called.	Van Dyne Volunteer Fire Department has four trucks located in a fire station in Van Dyne. Fire Service from Van Dyne, along with mutual aid partners, is deemed adequate at this time. In the long term, response time will be dependent on having an adequate number of available volunteer fireman.
First Responder	Van Dyne Fire Department	Adequate at this time. In the long term, response time will be dependent on having adequate number of available First Responders.
Judicial	Lakeside Municipal Court	The County judicial system will expand as needed, and will provide services into the long term future.
Ambulance	Shared Ambulance Service	Ambulance is provided through agreement with North Fond du Lac and the Towns of Eldorado, Fond du Lac, Lamartine, and Friendship. Ambulance service is adequate.
Jail	Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Department	Fond du Lac County Jail located in Fond du Lac. Facilities will be expanded or prisoners will be sent to other facilities based on need. Information at www.fdlsheriff.com .
Education		
Public Schools	North Fond du Lac School District	North Fond du Lac system is a K-12 system housed in four facilities; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Learning Center - Kindergarten • Friendship Learning Center - Grades 1-5 • Bessie Allen Middle School - Grades 6-8 • Horace Mann High School - Grades 9-12 Enrollment numbers are stable and no demand for more space. No plans for expansion at this time.
Private Schools	None in the town	
Technical Colleges	Moraine Park Technical College	Fond du Lac www.morainepark.edu
Closest Public Colleges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UW - Fond du Lac • UW- Oshkosh 	Fond Du Lac http://www.fdl.uwc.edu/ce/ Oshkosh www.uwosh.edu
Closest Private College	Marian College	Fond du Lac http://www.mariancollege.edu
Public Library	North Fond du Lac Library System	Spillman Library located in North Fond du Lac. Information at www.northfonddulaclibrary.org
Harbors	None	
Town Hall	Friendship Town Hall W6931 County Road N, Van Dyne	Built in the 1980s, the Town Hall has a work area for Town Treasurer and Clerk, large meeting room, full kitchen, storage room, and two bathrooms. Town trucks and tractor are housed in an attached three-bay garage. An adjacent storage building is used for equipment storage, and is shared with the Sanitary District. The facilities area is considered adequate for the foreseeable future

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Parks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None in the town. Highway 45 Wayside Park, managed by Fond du Lac County. 	<p>10 acres. Includes parking, toilets, a picnic shelter, grills and tables, and a 4-lane boat launch.</p> <p>Nationally-accepted park standards are ten acres for every 1,000 people. Based on this standard, the town lacks sufficient park land for its residents. The Town has no plans to acquire additional parkland because residents are finding other facilities to meet their recreational needs.</p>
Cemeteries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friendship Cemetery Lakeshore Cemetery 	<p>Located on Cemetery Road, west of the tracks</p> <p>Located at the intersection of Cemetery Road and USH 45</p>
Child Care	None	The private sector meets the demand for child care.
Post Offices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Van Dyne and North Fond du Lac 	Post office service is adequate at this time.
Health Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agnesian Healthcare Aurora Health 	<p>Agnesian HealthCare includes a number of facilities in the Fond du Lac area, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. Agnes Hospital at 430 E. Division Street, Fond du Lac Fond du Lac Surgery Center, at 421 Camelot Drive, Fond du Lac Fond du Lac Regional Clinic, 420 E. Division Street, Fond du Lac <p>St Francis Home, has skilled nursing, assisted and independent living 33 Everett Street, Fond du Lac</p> <p>http://www.agnesian.com/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aurora Health Center, 210 Wisconsin American Dr., Hwy. 23 East, Fond du Lac, WI 54935 Aurora Health Center Clinic, 700 Park Ridge Lane North Fond du Lac, WI 54937 <p>http://www.aurorahealthcare.org/facilities/display.asp?ID=0029</p> <p>Health care facilities are more than adequate to meet the medical needs of Friendship residents.</p>

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