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Village trailer ordi

Board sets hearing on status of Highway V assessments

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MOUNT PLEASANT – Trustees say they have never received more calls about an issue than about where trailer-type vehicles should be allowed to park.

But after nearly a year of debate, the Mount Pleasant Village Board on Monday decided its rules are fine the way they are – keeping intact an ordinance prohibiting



DeGroot

trailers, boats, campers and other such vehicles to be parked on driveways. The impact on aesthetics of the neighborhood drove Monday's 6-1 vote against relaxing the ordinance. Trustee Ken Otwaska cast the one vote in favor of a proposal, which would have allowed vehicles 40 feet or fewer in length to be parked on driveways on residential lots one-half acre or fewer, and with no limit on size on lots more than one-half acre.

“What it comes down to is, how do you want your neighborhood to look?” Trustee Dave DeGroot said. He noted he has a motor home, adding “my beautiful motor home might be somebody else’s visual pollution.”

As the ordinance stands, trailers and commercial equipment less than 30 feet long have to be parked in back or side yards. Equipment longer than 30 feet must be stored indoors.

The issue arose last year after a dispute between neighbors. Resident Jeff Loken, one of the neighbors involved who pushed for changes, said the enforcement

WHAT'S GOING ON

For other events, check the Today box or go to www.journaltimes.com/calendar.

Today

ALL ABOUT WUSTUM: OUR COMMUNITY EXHIBITION

RAM'S Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts, 2519 Northwestern Ave. The exhibition features works of art that use the museum's special place in our community's heart for inspiration. The exhibition showcases artwork about Wustum's by RAM's students, teachers and staff, in addition to Racine Unified School District teachers and Racine Art Guild members. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free.

Wednesday

BRONCO SELECT FASTPITCH TRY-OUTS

Union Grove Elementary School, 1745 Milldrum St., Union Grove. Bronco Select Fastpitch try-outs for U10, U12, U14 and U16 girls. This program was developed to provide athletes who have demonstrated advanced baseball skills the opportunity to compete with other players who have similar abilities. All teams, U8-U14 will play in the M.A.J.O.R. youth baseball league, and several tournaments. 5 p.m.

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN KICK-OFF EVENT WITH PUPPET STORY THEATER

Waterford Public Library, 101 N.



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