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RE: Village Manager to hold Open House to present Village Communications Tools and to answer any questions

Russell Van Gompel, Brown Deer Village Manager, will hold an open house on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Brown Deer Library/Community Room to present recent improvements in the Village's communications tools. The Village recently improved its website, www.browndeerwi.org. The website includes many features, including: an interactive calendar, interactive surveys, an E-notify contact list and a customer request management system.

"I am really excited about the new Citizen Request Management system", noted Village Manager Russell Van Gompel. "Residents who need an issue resolved, who want to ask a question, or provide a comment can now do so 24/7 right from their computer. Once a request is made, residents will have the ability to track the request and receive updates as the request is either updated or completed."

People who are interested in Village activities will be able to sign up at our website to receive weekly updates from various Village Departments. The Brown Deer Tracker is a weekly publication to inform people about community activities and projects.

Seeking to highlight its high quality of life, attractive business environment, and provide visitors with a warm, helpful welcome, the Village of Brown Deer has created a separate community website "OurBrownDeer.com".

OurBrownDeer is a social networking site that enables Brown Deer businesses and civic organizations to join as members and add their business listings, events, and photos to the site. "This site works much like Facebook, but we could customize the look for the OurBrownDeer.com campaign." He added, "Members can even post messages on their own personal pages, or on each other's pages, and sign each other up as friends. People are already adding to the site, so get on board, register and add information." Residents of Brown Deer are also invited to join up and create personal pages on the site.

Mr. Van Gompel will also conduct a Question and Answer period on any items regarding the Village operations.

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