

Town board hires new administrator

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TOWN OF BELOIT — After a five month search, the Town of Beloit Board of Supervisors unanimously appointed Ian Haas as the new town administrator.

Haas was appointed to the position during a closed board of supervisors meeting on Monday. He will begin his post on June 20 and will be earning \$80,000 annually. The appointment was an open-ended agreement without a contract.

Town Police Chief Steve Kopp, who has been serving as interim town administrator, said Haas brings energy and enthusiasm to the position.

“He will pursue opportunities for the development of the town, which is really what the town needs,” Kopp said.

Previously, Haas served as the village clerk for Big Bend, Wisconsin.

Diane Greenlee, town chair, said it was his experience as a clerk and administrator that made the board select him over the two other finalist candidates.

“We’re very optimistic about his abilities,” Greenlee said.

Greenlee said the board is expecting him to be a big help with the town’s upcoming larger projects, such as the 208 Sewer Project and the exploration of incorporation.

Haas said he is extremely excited to have received the complete confidence of the board and is looking forward to getting to know the town.

“It’s a gorgeous area that has really pulled out of the recession,” Haas said. “The town is ripe and has a lot of potential.”



Ian Haas

The search for a new town administrator began after former administrator Brian Wilson's departure in December 2015. The town's board of supervisors began its official search on Jan. 21 after appointing Kopp as interim administrator.

The board of supervisors also appointed Gregg Cisneros as a full-time police officer as well as approved a full-time position at the fire department.