### TOWN OF OSCEOLA ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 - 6:30 P.M.

Town Hall - 516 East Avenue North, Dresser WI Virtual - Open Meeting via Microsoft Teams

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Agenda Can Change Up to 24 Hours Prior to Meeting

### **GENERAL FORMAT OF THE MEETING**

### **OPEN MEETING**

- Call Meeting to Order
- Verification of Meeting Posting
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call

### REGULAR REPORTS AND BUSINESS

- 1. Approve Minutes of April 19, 2022 Annual Meeting 1-8
- 2. Chair's Report 9-16a
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### **UPDATE ON 2022 ANNUAL MEETING DIRECTIVES/MOTIONS**

- Location for Annual Town, Board, Plan Commission, and/or Committee Meetings
- Recommendation to Polk County to Deny Conditional Use Permit Sought for Blue Rock Mining Operation

### ANY OTHER TOWN BUSINESS AUTHORIZED BY STATE STATUTES

### AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE TOWN CONSTITUENTS

- Set Date for 2024 Annual Town Meeting the third Tuesday in 2024 is April 16<sup>th</sup>
- Adjournment

Notice is hereby given that a quorum of the Town of Osceola Plan Commission may be present at this meeting of the Town Board of Supervisors scheduled as noted above to gather information about a subject over which they have recommendation-making responsibility. The Plan Commission will take no formal action at this meeting.

Please note that, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request this service, contact the Clerk's office at (715)755-3060.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING: I hereby certify that this notice has been posted at the Dresser Post Office, the Town Hall, the First National Community Bank, the Town Web Site, and the Town Facebook site.

### TOWN OF OSCEOLA ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, April 19, 2022 — 6:30 p.m. Meeting Minutes

The 2022 Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Osceola was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. at the Osceola Town Hall, Dresser, Wisconsin.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Dale Lindh, Supervisor Jon Cronick, Supervisor Bernie Desmarais, Supervisor Jo Everson, Supervisor Debbie Thompson, and outgoing Supervisor Neil Gustafson.

Staff attending were: Public Works Supervisor Todd Raddatz, Public Works employee Joe Gaffney, Town Treasurer Jan Carlson, and Town Clerk Denise Skjerven.

PUBLIC ATTENDEES: Paul Mahler (Town's Attorney), Glyn Thorman, Jim & Donna Berg, Ed Everson, Mark Skjerven, David Peterson, Jamie Tinney, Merle & Dianne Aarthun, Rebekah Gustafson, Jeffrey Masek, Shay Rysdam, Kirk & Trish Carlson, Chad Oye, Heather Raddatz, Darel Hall (Animal Control), James (Nick) Semmens, Ben Wasmund (Lakes Region EMS), Dan & Suzy Burch, Dan & Keri Nelson, Mike & Beth Colaizy, Tom & Gae Magnafici, Mark Kuhl, Brian & Allison Will, Judy Juneski, Brad Bearson, Al Bader, Jim & Rhonda Dunham, Jim Brundage, Tom & Jane Bean, Nicholas Juneski, Mike & Jeanette Rochford, Jerry Waller, Melissa Ward, Brad Hoverman, Sandra Ball, Kim Kaiser, John Solsrud, Warren Johnson, Teresa Utke, Diana Anderson, Kirk Johnson, Angel Olson, Mike & Teri Wallis, Linnaea Wallis, Mark Ferrell, Kelly Kneath, Ben Campbell (Building Inspector), Peter Arneson, Stacy Wright, Kim Benson, Rick Erickson, Jake Thompson, Tony & Tasha Havranek, Aaron & Sonja Degerstrom, Joel Getschel, Bob & Kim Wright, Evan Wright, Chris Wahlstrom, Monica LaVigne, Trudy Lorenz, Terry & Bonnie Demulling, Curt Millermon, Kevin McNutt, Debra & Ken Wood, William & Marianna Schultz, Barbara Delaney, Steve & Deborah Kinzer, Therese Durkin, Josh & Lisa Marincel, David Dudash.

### CHAIRMAN LINDH CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M.

**VERIFICATION OF MEETING POSTING:** Clerk Skjerven confirmed that the notice was posted at the Town Hall, Dresser Post Office, the First Community National Bank, the Town Web Site, and the Town Facebook page.

Chairman Lindh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

ROLL CALL: Chairman Lindh, Supervisor Desmarais, Supervisor Everson, Supervisor Cronick, Supervisor Gustafson, Supervisor Thompson were all present. Chair Lindh introduced the new Town Supervisor, Debbie Thompson. Chair Lindh introduced each member as well as the Staff in attendance.

Chair Lindh briefly commented that he thought many attendees could be present to hear a decision regarding new mining proposals which was listed on the agenda. However, Lindh pointed out the Board was not going to be making any decisions at the meeting on this topic. The topic is on the agenda to merely close out a motion made at the April 20, 2021 Annual Town Meeting.

### **REGULAR REPORTS AND BUSINESS**

- 1. Approve Minutes of the April 20, 2021 Annual Meeting. Motion by Jo Everson / Second by Neil Gustafson to approve the 2021 annual meeting minutes. Motion carried.
- 2. Chairman's Report. Chair Lindh provided a report, and highlighted:
  - a. A history of the Town's levied property taxes, which for many years was only increased annually at the rate of new construction and assessed valuation. The budget for 2019 increased by \$75,000.00 for road improvements. There was a levy decrease of \$41,864.00 for 2020, and for 2021 the Mill Rate increased 54.205 when raised to \$2.86. The \$282,087 was to support road improvements. The largest levy expense area was Public Works (54%), followed by Public Safety (21%), General Government (19%) and Development & Planning (6%).
  - b. The year-end cash balance was high due primarily to having \$114,000 of highway capital that was moved into 2021, plus \$151,141 of American Rescue Plan Act(ARPA) funds, and \$50,000 for future purchases of public works equipment.
  - c. Previous Public Works Supervisor Tony Johnson resigned, and Todd Raddatz was hired as his replacement.
  - d. Town road miles are 63.13.
  - e. The Town maintains three properties for mowing: Town Hall, Dwight Lake , and Sand Lake.
  - f. The Town population was estimated to be 2,941 with 2,065 estimated to be of voting age.
  - g. The Town had six clerks and two treasurers during 2021, and a number of Board position changes.
  - h. The Town supported Lakeland Communications' grant to expand broadband fiber network with \$80,000 contingent upon Lakeland Communications receiving the public service grant, but was notified in December by Lakeland Communications that the grant was denied.
  - i. New members were appointed to the Plan Commission.
  - j. Technology services were switched to Connecting Point.
  - k. Many of the Town permit fees were increased, effective January 1, 2022.
  - I. Delmore Consulting, of Wisconsin Dells, WI, was hired to perform a PASER rating of the Town roads to determine baseline conditions for 2022 Town road work preparations.

- m. Jan Carlson served as the Town's Tax Collector.
- n. The gopher bounty was set at \$4.00, and the claim form was updated to make sure that the gophers are caught at a property within the Town of Osceola.
- o. The Adopt-a-Road program is always encouraged for participation.

Ed Everson mentioned the Town now has two full-time paid employees in the Town's Public Works and expressed a concern on how the Town is going to pay for having two full-time positions within Public Works and hoped the extra expense would not come out of road repairs. Motion by Bernie Desmarais / Second by Warren Johnson to accept the Chairman's report. Motion carried.

### **2021 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

Treasurer Jan Carlson presented the financial report from the completed audit. Carlson shared the Assets (\$777,950) and Liability and Fund Balance (\$777,950) as of December 31, 2021, along with a summary of the Revenues and Expenditures for 2021. Also shared was the net change in fund balance, which started 2021 at \$182,376 and increased to \$582,653 at year-end 2021. The \$582,653 fund balance is comprised of Parks & Recreation (\$11,837), Highway Capital Outlay (\$114,000), ARPA funds (\$151,141), and Unassigned (\$305,675), and bank balances as of December 31, 2021 totaled \$582,682. Judy Juneski asked whether the information was available to Town residents and Chair Lindh indicated that, yes, the information is available on the Town's website, under the meeting agenda and materials section. Motion by Merle Aarthun / Second by Mark Skjerven to accept the 2021 annual financial report. Motion carried.

### PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

Plan Commission Chair Bernie Desmarais reported most activity conducted falls into two main areas:

- (1) How it is often cited the Town follows Polk County zoning and it was quickly learned the Town has ordinances that supersede Polk County's ordinances. It is not correct to say as a Town that the Town follows Polk County zoning. A problem that arises when defaulting to Polk County zoning is that Polk County may issue permits for things that the Town does not want. A letter was recently sent from the Town to the Polk County Zoning Administrator, Jason Kjeseth, Land Information Department, to make sure the Zoning Administrator knows the Town has ordinances that supersedes Polk County ordinances. The Town does not want Polk County issuing permits for properties and land use over which the Town has jurisdiction.
- (2) The Town's Comprehensive Plan is a document waiting to be updated. The current Plan is based on 2010 census data, and the Plan Commission is waiting for 2020 census data to be released at the municipality level, to see how the Town has changed from a population, demographics, etc. standpoint, to see how the new data may affect the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Motion by Ed Everson / Second by Jo Everson to accept the plan commission report. Motion carried.

### ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Darel Hall presented a report. Darel is the Animal Humane Officer, Animal Control for the Town as well as for 30 other municipalities in Polk and St. Croix counties. Hall noted a slight increase in the number of complaint calls, mostly from new residents not being familiar with the rules for not being able to just let a dog run free. Four dogs and 1 cat were taken to Arnell Memorial Humane Society in Amery, and one dog had to be euthanized due to an attack which occurred. Hall tends to complaints as quickly as possible. Hall's contact information is noted on the Town's website. Motion by Jamie Tinney / Second by Tom Bean to accept the animal control officer report. Motion carried.

### **BUILDING PERMIT REPORT**

Ben Campbell presented a report. Ben reported during 2021 there was a 185% increase of permits issued for new homes (24 from 13 in 2021). The total valuation also increased by 121% (\$8,450,664 from \$6,970,140 in 2021). Motion by Jane Bean / Second by Tom Bean to accept the building permit report. Motion carried.

### **ALLIED EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT**

Curt Millermon was present to provide the yearly summary. For 2021, there were a total of 403 runs, an increase from 368 in 2020. Allied serves 135 square miles, which includes the Town of Osceola, the Town of Garfield, the Village of Dresser, and most of the Town of Alden. In 2018, there was a name change from Dresser, Osceola, Garfield Fire Association to Allied Emergency Services, and there are three fire stations. Allied has 61 responders for fire/rescue and medical emergencies. The recent Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser served between 900-1,000 people. Motion by Ed Everson / Second by Neil Gustafson to accept the Allied Emergency Services report. Motion carried.

### OSCEOLA AREA AMBULANCE REPORT

Chair Lindh presented highlights from the annual report provided by Osceola Area Ambulance Service: They began providing services in 1974, when they purchased their first ambulance at a cost of \$20,000.00. The communities they served helped by raising money through donations for the ambulance and their equipment. Osceola Area Ambulance Services provides care to the residents of the Village of Osceola (100%), Town of Farmington (100%), Town of Osceola (67%), Village of Dresser (50%), Town of Alden (30%), and a small portion of the Town of Garfield. Their service charges a \$14.00 per person assessment and each community pays an annual amount based on the population it serves. They are an on-call, paid volunteer service with no full-time staff. There were 93 runs in the Town of Osceola with a total of 437 runs for 2021. Motion by Nick Semmens / Second by Tom Bean to accept the Osceola Area Ambulance report. Motion carried.

### ST. CROIX VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE REPORT

Ben Wasmund, Director of Operations for Lakes Region EMS, Inc., was present to provide the report. St. Croix Valley Emergency Medical Services (EMS) has two ambulances, based in Milltown and St. Croix Falls, and they service where Osceola Area Ambulance stops their services, covering portions of Taylors Falls(MN), St. Croix Falls (City and Town), parts of the Village of Dresser, Town of Osceola, north past Milltown and east of Balsam Lake. Calling the Polk County Communications Center (non-emergency line) can help residents to learn which ambulance service they fall under. They are full-time critical care levels, with a paramedic and an EMT on every ambulance run. Their run volume for the Town of Osceola was 20, out of a total run volume for Wisconsin of 2,837 calls, which was reduced from 36 runs the year prior. They give back to the community in a variety of ways such as school drives/donations, scholarship funds, a backpack program, providing a community education space, and many more areas. They also have a Charitable Missions Committee that reviews submissions of need areas. They recently took over medical direction (overseen by a physician) for Polk County communications center so when 911 calls are placed the dispatchers walk through with the caller on what to do until the first responders arrive. St. Croix Valley EMS also collaborated with Frandsen Bank and Trust on the purchase of AEDs for the Polk County Sheriff's office for squad cars. Frandsen Bank and Trust donated 36 AEDs. Motion by Tom Bean / Second by Kim Benson to accept the St. Croix Valley Emergency Medical Service report. Motion carried.

### **UPDATE ON 2021 ANNUAL MEETING DIRECTIVES/MOTIONS**

Chairman Lindh covered updates from the 2021 Annual meeting:

- Contracts for IT Services. In October 2021 the Town switched to using Connecting Point for IT services, along with 20 Town email addresses. Gmail accounts are no longer being used, but instead are using '@townofosceola.com' email addresses.
- Accurate Account of Building Inspection Services. This topic was discussed as a Board in February
  of 2022 after contacting Ben Campbell the Town's building inspector about his previous
  inspections.
- Certification of April 2021 Election Results. There is an April 2021 Election explanation that was
  provided in this year's Annual Meeting packet, and the explanation can also be found on the
  Town's website under Election Results. Included below is the explanation from Chair Lindh:

"As many of you are aware, there were some errors in the initial vote tally during the 2021 Spring Election. These issues related primarily to the counting of write-in ballots. I want to thank those individuals that brought this issue to the attention of Town officials. Maintaining the accuracy of our elections is very important to myself and all Town officials and is the backbone of our democracy. Once the issue was raised, Town election officials promptly contacted the County Clerk's office and worked closely with the County and the Wisconsin Elections Commission to perform a detailed recount. Vote totals were corrected and although the results of the election did not change, that is no reason to excuse any errors. The Town will continue to cooperate with the Wisconsin Elections Commission and the County. The current election officials have taken all recommended training and moving forward it will be mandatory for all future election officials to undertake all recommended training as well to help ensure future errors do not occur. It is now time to move on. I am excited about the future of the Town and look forward to working with the new Town Board to move the Town forward in a positive direction and with a spirit of cooperation."

- **2021 Financial Audit Prior to April 2022 Annual Meeting.** This audit has been completed and is available. It has not been fully approved by the Town Board as the audit company CliftonLarsonAllen will give a presentation on Monday, May 2, 2022 to the Town Board. The 2021 financial audit was accepted by the Board; it just was not presented yet to the Board by CliftonLarsonAllen.
- Virtual Meetings. The Town is finalizing an ordinance to hold its meetings virtually via Microsoft Teams to given attendees an option to attend in person or virtual.
- Decisions Regarding New Mining Proposals. Chair Lindh communicated there are no actions taken by the Board at this time on this topic. Bob Wright asked whether the Town's attorney had any opinion on how the motion was passed from the 2021 Annual Town Meeting: "Any binding decisions made by the Town of Osceola, regarding new mining proposals in the Town of Osceola, including the location of the previously proposed Kraemer Mine, must have a Special Town Meeting called with the electors making the binding decision."

The attorney indicated the motion was advisory, and typical next steps on this type of topic involves a Public Hearing/Meeting vs. a Special Town Board Meeting when the Town Board is informed by Polk County.

Consider Combining Clerk and Treasurer Position. Supervisor Everson went through a report on the history of the positions and highlighted considerations for supporting both separated and combined positions. Everson pointed out that there were 24 Towns in Polk County and only one currently has a combined Clerk and Treasurer position: The Town of Farmington. The most important consideration for supporting separate positions is the segregation of duties, which is a critical requisite, explained by the auditors at CliftonLarsonAllen in their Annual Financial Internal Control Letter. This is described as "one person should not handle any one transaction from beginning to end." Everson pointed out eight other considerations for supporting separate positions. There are less positives in support of combining positions such as having a full-time combined position would be available to the public during normal hours on a daily basis, and, the one full-time position would be responsible for the quality and quantity of part-time help, and, a combined position that is full-time may be easier to fill than two part-time positions. Trish Carlson inquired about the hours for each of the positions. The Treasurer and Clerk responded with their hours being .6 (24 hours per week) for the Clerk, and .4 (16 hours per week) for the Treasurer. Motion by Jim Berg / Second by Chad Oye to leave the Clerk and Treasurer positions separated. Motion carried.

### ANY OTHER TOWN BUSINESS AUTHORIZED BY STATE STATUTES

Chair Lindh opened the floor for public comment and/or motions/directives as may be authorized by State Statute.

- 1. Mike Wallis commented about a past Town Board meeting in 2021 where Melissa Ward brought up a potential wrongdoing by a person volunteering/working in a Town position by receiving a cash payment from Town residents. Wallis opined that Ward was met with much resistance at that meeting, and there were corroborations to the accusation by meeting attendees and Everson herself. Wallis is not aware whether Everson returned the monies given to her. State statutes dictate those monies need to be returned or gets donated to the municipality. Wallis indicated when Townspeople bring up these types of issues and they are later met with resistance, it sends a bad message. In Wallis' view, the Town should be thanking individuals who bring up such situations, and a few Board members owe Melissa Ward an apology. Merle Aarthun commented it was not the fact the accusation was brought up/to the attention of the Board, it was the way it was done within the meeting by Melissa Ward. Aarthun indicated anyone in the Town can bring up any complaint in a respectful manner, but when complaints are brought forth in a rude manner it is not acceptable.
- 2. Bob Wright raised something the Town should be made aware of. He had a copy of an email from Chris Nelson (who was Chair of Polk County Board until recently) to Malia Malone, Polk County's attorney. The email read, "Had a couple of calls from Osceola Planning Commission members and a resident about the Blue Rock mining CUP [conditional use permit]. Pretty much what was said is that Polk County needs to send back to Osceola for their process to work through and not allow this application to start at Polk County." In Wright's view, it appears the Town has a couple of rogue Planning Commission members who think they can go outside the Town Board and try to influence policy in the Town. I think people should be concerned. How

do you trust the decisions the Town makes if you have people doing stuff like this? Wright suggested that those people be replaced by someone else. The Board took Wright's comments under advisement.

- 3. Al Bader stated his view that the Town should consider continuing to pay the gopher bounty to keep the gopher population down within the Town. Motion by Al Bader / Second by Ed Everson to continue to pay for the gopher bounty at \$4.00 a tail. Motion carried.
- 4. Chad Oye asked whether there has been any decisions and/or work done officially by the Town on new mining proposals submitted to the Town. Chair Lindh indicated not at this time. Deborah Kinzer asked what is the process for the quarry? The Town's attorney indicated the process is typically for the applicant to file for a conditional use permit with Polk County. Polk County staff review it at the Polk County level, then hold 1 or 2 public hearings. After Polk County staff's review is completed, Polk County will contact the Town for its input on the application, and the feedback is covered at the public hearing. Polk County's website should contain public information notices about any public hearings to take place at the Polk County level.
- 5. Tony Havranek requested that for any future Town meetings whenever the number of meeting attendees exceeds the Town Hall space the Chair of the meeting stop the proceedings and move the meeting to a venue to accommodate the attendees. Kim Kaiser requested that minimally all Town Annual Meetings be held in the Town Shop. Merle Aarthun mentioned the Board did discuss how to accommodate the potential number of attendees for the Annual Town Meeting and because of there being no sound and/or recording equipment in the Town Shop to hold the meeting within the Town Hall. The Town's attorney reminded everyone that according to state statutes, the annual Town meeting must be held at the location of the last annual Town meeting unless the location is changed by the Town board. If the Town board changes the location, the Board must publish a notice stating the location of the meeting, not more than 20 nor less than 15 days before the date of the meeting. Thus, the annual Town meeting location cannot be moved day of or while the meeting is taking place. Supervisor Thompson indicated in her view the Town Hall could accommodate more chairs, and there were several still available for seating. Debra Wood asked consideration be given to the Town Hall room capacity. Motion by Tony Havranek / Second by David Dudash for any Board and/or Plan Commission or any other committee that is meeting in the Town Hall if the meeting attendees cannot fit into the room that the meeting be moved to a venue that would safely accommodate all attendees. 49 Ayes; 30 Nays; 0 Abstains; Motion carried. The Board took this motion under advisement.

Mark Skjerven expressed his view about the gesture of thanks and appreciation to Everson for her tremendous volunteering of time when it was greatly needed, and it was his understanding Everson paid the amount back to donors that was received by her. Skjerven also asked the Town attorney to clarify the decision-making process on any mine proposals. It was his understanding the Town has an input and advisory role in the process, not a decision-making process to grant the permit or not. The Town's attorney confirmed the decision-making process rests with Polk County as it would be a Polk County Conditional Use Permit. Polk County will look for input from the Town, but it is only on an advisory basis. See #4 above as further reference on this topic.

Stacy Wright expressed her views about how Town employees are being paid. In her view, the employees should receive pay for their hours worked. When the next budget is put together, she expressed a strong need for the Board to consider the extra staff brought on and/or realistic hours

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needed for employees to do their jobs. And, on the topic of any State Statutes that indicate a Town employee cannot receive any gifts over a certain value amount then the employee cannot accept gifts over that designated amount. The Board took Wright's comments under advisement.

Jim Brundage proposed a motion regarding the conditional use permit being sought for the proposed Blue Rock mining operation. The Town's attorney mentioned the Board could not take action on the motion because the application is with Polk County, and that the motion is only advisory to the Board at this time. Motion by Jim Brundage / Second Nick Semmens that the Town of Osceola recommend that Polk County deny the conditional use permit being sought for the proposed Blue Rock mining operation because most, if not all, of the reasons stated for the denial of the previous mining proposal at the same site are still valid, making it incompatible with the surrounding land uses. 63 Ayes; 14 Nays; 9 Abstains; Motion carried.

**SET DATE FOR 2023 MEETING** April 18, 2023

To be approved: April 18, 2023

MOTION BY ED EVERSON / CHAD OYE TO ADJOURN THE 2022 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

MOTION CARRIED. The Annual Town Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

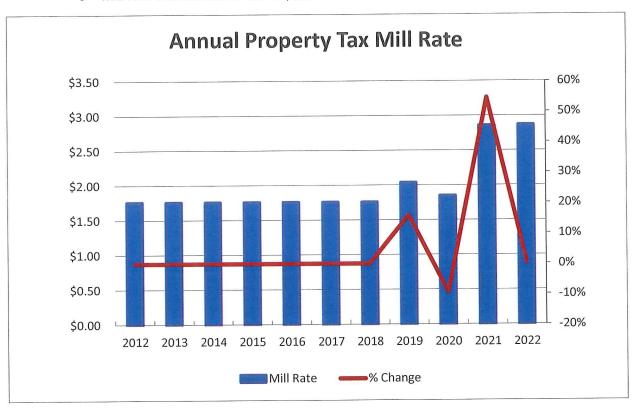
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Denise Skjerven, Town Clerk

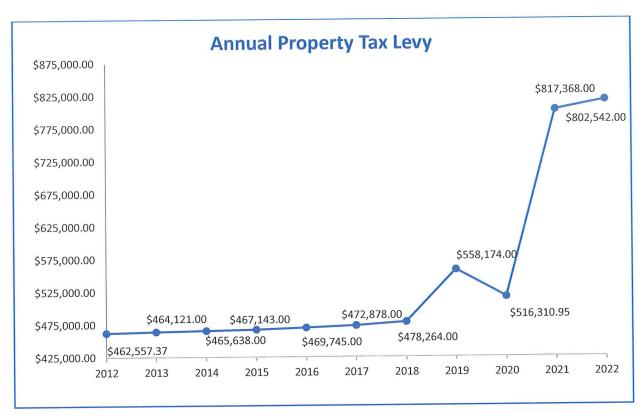
### Financial:

The history of the Town of Osceola levied property taxes as shown in the first two charts. The levy for many years was only increased annually at the rate of new construction and assessed valuation.

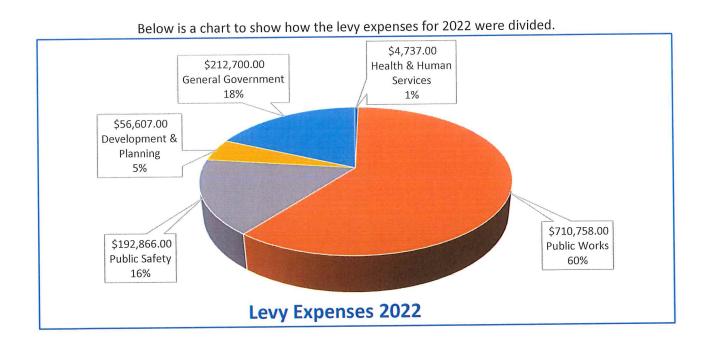
- 2019 Budget
  - o Levy increase of \$79,910 for the main purpose of road improvements.
  - o Mill rate was increased 15.9% to \$2.04
- 2020 Budget
  - o Levy decrease of \$41,864 was approved by the Taxpayers.
  - o Mill rate was decreased 9.3% to \$1.85
- 2021 Budget
  - o Levy increase of \$286,231 for the main purpose of road improvements.
  - o Mill rate was increased 54.6% to \$2.86
- 2022 Budget
  - Levy increase of \$14,826 based on the rate of new construction and assessed valuation.
  - o Mill rate was increased .3% to \$2.87



Mill Rate comes into play for property tax purposes for the calculation: assessed, taxable property value x mill rate  $\div$  1,000 = approx. property tax amount



Tax Levy = total amount of funds a local government may collect

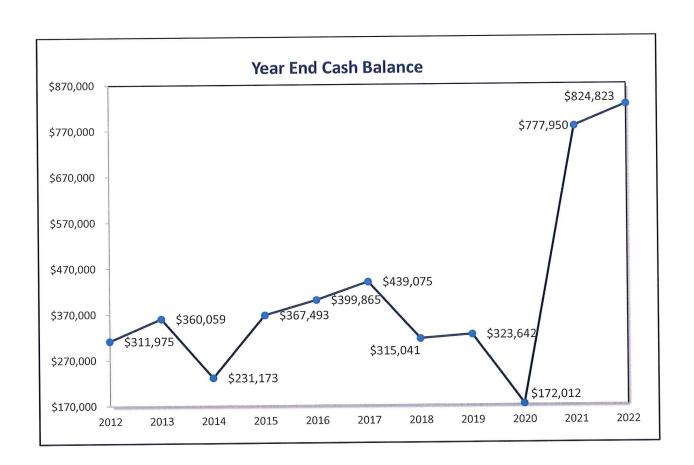


The Town had a year-end cash balance of \$824,823:

- \$121,874 Liabilities (Payroll Withholding / Property Taxes and Special Charges Collected for Subsequent Year)
- \$304,291 Assigned
  - o \$11,837 Parks and Recreation
  - **HVAC** Upgrades to Town Hall \$30,000
    - (ARPA Fund) **Broadband Internet Project** \$80,000
  - 0 o \$182,454 Public Works Projects
    - (ARPA Fund)

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- \$398,658 Unassigned Reserve (34% of General Fund which is in line with recommendations from Town's Auditors)
  - Trap Rock Saving Account 0 \$15,070
  - o \$100,718 Public Works Equipment
  - \$282,870 Banking Accounts



### **Public Works:**

Todd Raddatz was the Public Works Supervisor for 2022. March 27, 2022, Joseph Gaffney was hired as a full-time Public Works employee. The Town had one part-time employee: Ed Everson.

### The Town road:

Total of 63.13 miles

o 41.81 miles Seal Coated

o 9.92 miles Hot Mix Asphalt surface

o 8.5 miles Scrub Seal/Slurry

o 2.9 miles Gravel

• 47.1% of the Town roads have a PASER rating of 6 (Good) or higher.

The following work was done on the roads:

0	Pulverized/repave	2.5 miles	\$420,469.80
•	Spray Patching / Crack sealing	15.86 miles	\$8,125
	Culverts	3 units	\$8,157.21
•	Culvert- 90 <sup>th</sup> Ave	1 unit	\$27,251.82

### Parks and Recreational:

Lakefront Lawn and Dock Services was contracted to mow the lawn at Town Hall, Dwight Lake, and Sand Lake.

Raska provided two port-a-potty units: one at Dwight Lake and one at Sand Lake.

Beaches, docks, and parking areas are maintained by the Public Works Department.

### **Health and Human Services:**

Darel Hall continues to serve as a certified Humane Officer for animals for the Town of Osceola and neighboring Municipalities.

### **General Government:**

The Town Population was estimated to be 3,085, with 2,097 estimated to be of voting age.

### January:

Town Board Members: Chair Dale Lindh, Supervisors Jon Cronick, Jo Everson, and Neil Gustafson

### (1) open Supervisor position

A motion was made to accept the design services for the Dwight Lake Boat Landing improvements with a possible start of construction in the summer of 2023. The Town purchased a gas pressure washer/steamer and a new laptop computer for the Public Works department. A speed limit electronic sign for roads was purchased to record speeds and count number of vehicles passing by throughout the day. The driveway permit application was revised to allow plastic culverts to be installed.

### February:

The Town purchased a 2004 Crafco spray patcher from the City of Hudson. Delmore Consulting was hired to help with road mapping and PASER services. The Town approved using CliftonLarsonAllen LLP for professional auditing services to audit the 2021 financial year.

### March:

Clerk Skjerven appointed Cynthia Thorman to be Deputy Clerk for election purposes only beginning February 8<sup>th</sup> and effective through December 31, 2022. The Town approved partnering with Lakeland Communication Group, LLC and will contribute 10% of the project cost to expand fiber network in the Town of Osceola, up to \$80,000 contingent upon Lakeland Communication Group, LLC being awarded the PSC Broadband Expansion Grant. The Town approved using virtual technology for meetings. The Town approved to paint the interior of the Town Hall. Joseph Gaffney was hired as a full-time Public Works employee.

### April:

The results of the April Election: Jon Cronick was reelected as Supervisor and Debbie Thompson was elected as Supervisor. Bernie Desmarais was appointed as Supervisor to fill Mike Wallis's open position which expired in April 2023. The Board decided to use Microsoft Teams to Record public Town meetings. A letter was approved and sent to Polk County Zoning regarding Town of Osceola ordinances overriding Polk County Zoning. Cemetery funding was approved and provided to Bethesda Cemetery, Pleasant Prairie Cemetery and Sand Lake Cemetery. The 2021 Audit report compiled by CliftonLarsonAllen was approved. Ordinance 22-04-11: Use of Virtual Meeting equipment was approved. Supervisor Cronick was removed from the Plan Commission since Supervisor Desmarais was appointed Supervisor. Annual Town Meeting was held in the Town Hall.

### May:

90<sup>th</sup> Avenue was closed south and east of the Osceola Rod and Gun Club due to a large culvert which rusted out. Town's web site was updated by BHOT Marketing Firm. Jeremy Utke was appointed to the position of Plan Commission Chair. Supervisor Desmarais was appointed to the Plan Commission. Supervisors Desmarais and Thompson were appointed to the Media & Technology Committee. Supervisor Cronick and Chair Lindh were appointed to the Public Works Committee. Supervisors Cronick

and Everson were appointed to the Finance Committee. Supervisor Thompson and Chairman Lindh were appointed to the Personnel Committee. Chair Lindh and citizen member Daniel Burch were appointed to the Osceola Area Ambulance Service Board. Supervisors Cronick and Desmarais and Chair Lindh were appointed to the Allied Emergency Fire Services Board.

### June:

Cindy Thorman was appointed to the Plan Commission through the end of April 2025 with the announcement of Marianna Schultz's resignation. Warren Johnson was appointed to the Plan Commission through the end of April 2025. An update to Ordinance 22-04-11: Use of Virtual Meeting Equipment was approved. Ordinance 22-06-06: Confidentiality of Income and Expense Provided to Assessor for Assessment Purpose was approved. An update to Chapter 2: The Governing Body Ordinance for Plan Commission members can hold a membership for a maximum of two consecutive terms up to three years for each term. Resolution 22-06-061: To Establish Procedures and Criteria for Allowing Alternative Forms of Sworn Testimony at Board of Review Hearings was adopted. Resolution 22-06-062: to Establish Procedures for Waivers of Board of Review Hearing request was adopted. Updated Emergency Operation Plan was approved. An update to Chapter 3: Finance and Taxation Ordinance to remove section 3.07 Public Records and Procedures for Public Records request was approved. Supervisor Everson was appointed to be Designated Supervisor (First Alternate to Chair) and Supervisor Desmarais appointed to be Designated Alternate (Second Alternate to Chair).

### July:

Lakeland Communications stated that they were approved to receive a Broadband Grant from the Wisconsin Public Service commission. (At the July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Town Board meeting, the Board approved to contribute 10% of the total costs for the Town of Osceola expansion of broadband fiber network, up to \$80,000, contingent upon Lakeland Communications receiving the Public Service Grant award and fulfilling the installation within the Town by December 31, 2024.) The Board of Review was held with Dale Lindh being selected as Chair and Jon Cronick as Vice Chair.

### August:

Updated amendments to Chapter 2: The Governing Body Ordinance related to needed modifications due to the Board changing to a five-person Board was approved. The Town approved participating with Polk County in the 2022 Emergency Bridge Aid for the 90<sup>th</sup> Ave culvert replacement. The Board approved the Public Works staff work schedule for four ten-hour days a week for the period May 1 through November 1. The Board allowed the Public Works Supervisor discretion to partner and work with neighboring communities on Public Works projects. Updated amendments to Chapter 5: Fire Protection Ordinance to include a section 5.03 on Fire Inspections to state that inspections can be done only once a year was approved. Updated amendments to Chapter 12: Licenses and Permits Ordinance to amend Section 12.03(3)(f) was approved. Resolution 22-08-01 Amendment of fee schedule was approved to incorporate the reserve "Class B" initial issuance fee amount of \$10,000.

### September:

Updated amendments to Chapter 5: Fire Protection Ordinance to remove Section 5.02(2) Liability for Fire Protections Costs was approved. A motion to consider recodification services and the Code Bank Tool for the 2023 budget costs when reviewing the 2023 Budget Process was approved. Bluestone Sand and Gravel LLC's license bond was renewed. Board approved the Osceola Area Ambulance Service amended Municipal Corporation contract to be \$15.00 per capita.

### October:

The work on replacing the culvert over Horse Creek on 90<sup>th</sup> Ave was finally completed! The Town reapproves offering the Village of Osceola \$16,090.92 towards their proposed Simmon Drive reconstruction project. Bernie Desmarais resigned as Town Supervisor and position as Board representative on the Plan Commission. Jo Everson resigned as Town Supervisor. Supervisor Jon Cronick was appointed to be the Board representative on the Plan Commission and appointed to be Designated Supervisor (First Alternate to Chair). Supervisor Debbie Thompson was appointed to be Designated Alternate (Second Alternate to Chair). Supervisor Jon Cronick was assigned to the Finance Committee. Supervisor Debbie Thompson was assigned to the Media & Technology Committee and Personnel Committee. Chair Dale Lindh was assigned to the Public Works Committee.

### November:

Three options for replacing the Dwight Lake boat landing were received from Polk County Land & Water Resources Department. The Board approved to apply for the Notification of General Records Schedule Adoption with the State Archivist.

### December:

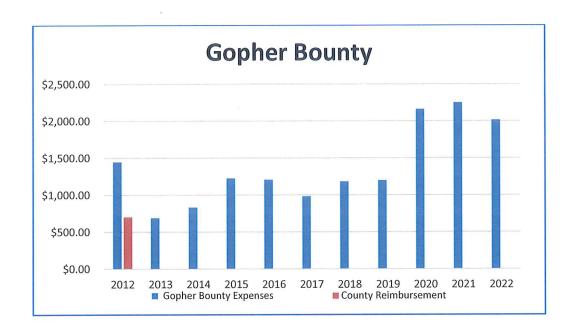
A Transfer of \$50,000 from the Capital Highway Equipment Budget into a Money Market account was approved. This money is set aside for future Town road equipment. The Town purchased a HTC 2000 Road Widener and a 2022 22-foot Heavy Duty Tilt Equipment Trailer.

### Adopt-A-Road:

Town of Osceola Values our Volunteers! In 2007, the Adopt-A-Road program was started in the Town of Osceola. The Lotus Lake Association was the first group to claim an area on 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue along the Lotus Lake County Park. Now several groups and families participate in making our community a better place. Volunteers of ages eleven years or older choose an area of road at least one mile in length and provide clean-up two times annually, usually in the Spring and Fall. All supplies are provided by the Town.

Road Requested	Located Between	Group Name
195th St.	Cty F and 110th Ave	In Memory of Kegan Koshiol
200th St./Horse Lake Ln	Cty M & Horse Lake Lane	
240th	Hwy 35 and Cty M	Andrew Rixmann Family
Dwight Lane	CTH Y and Town beach	Jim Judkins
210th St.	90th Ave 110th Ave	Stroshane Family
90th Ave.	CTH M & Rod & Gun Club	Lotus Lake Assoc.
60th Ave.	218th - 230th	Pleasant Lake 4-H Club
240th	Hwy 35 and Clark Road	Dresser Lions Club
210th St.	60th Ave. & 70th Ave.	Doug Schmidt Family
90th Ave.	Fishing hole across Rod & Gun Club on 90th and 200th	Fogelberg & Heffernan Families
70th Ave.	CTH M and 218th St.	Viking Gas Transmission/ ONEOK Partners
100th Ave.	200th St. and CTH Y	The Rude Family
60th Ave.	216th & Cty M	In Memory of Leon Viebrock
218th St.	Cty M & 60th	The Eric Hallen Family
90th Ave.	MM & Hwy 35	90th Avenue Neighbors

### 2022 Gopher Bounty Report



The Town of Osceola paid \$2,016 for gopher tails as compared to \$2,252 for gopher tails in 2021. In 2022, the Town of Osceola did not make any adjustment to the gopher bounty which is currently set at \$4.00 per tail. In 2021, the Town updated the Gopher Bounty Claim form to verify that the gophers are caught within the Town of Osceola. The County does not reimburse the Town for the payment of tails as it has done in the past. The electors may vote to set the gopher tail bounty for 2023.



### TOWN OF OSCEOLA POLK COUNTY, WISCONSIN BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUND – MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022

		General Fund
ASSETS Cash and Investments	_\$	824,823
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE Liabilities: Payroll Withholding Liabilities Property Taxes and Special Charges Collected for Subsequent Year Total Liabilities	\$	5,656 116,218 121,874
Fund Balance: Assigned Unassigned Total Fund Balance		194,291 508,658 702,949
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	_\$	824,823

### TOWN OF OSCEOLA POLK COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	 General Fund
REVENUES Local Taxes Intergovernmental Licenses and Permits Public Charges for Services Intergovernmental Charges for Services	\$ 821,740 378,307 31,118 662 908
Miscellaneous: Interest Other Refund of Advance to Fire Association Total Revenues	 10,192 4,729 50,308 1,297,964
EXPENDITURES  General Government Public Safety Public Works Health and Human Services Culture, Recreation and Education Conservation and Development Debt Service Total Expenditures	 212,700 192,866 710,758 4,737 4,901 1,398 50,308 1,177,668
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	120,296
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year  FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 582,653 702,949

### **General Fund Balance**

The Town's fund balance in the general fund at December 31, 2022 as shown in the financial statements is as follows:

Assigned:	
Parks and Recreation	\$ 11,837
Broadband Internet Project	\$ 80,000
HVAC	\$ 30,000
Public Works Projects	\$ 182,454
Unassigned	\$ 398,658
Total	\$ 702,949

Bank Balances as of 12-31-2022	
Dresser Trap Rock Assurance	\$ 15,070
MidWest One Checking Account	17,972
MidWest One Money Market Act	282,050
Midwest Tax Deposit	116,218
MidWest One ARPA Money Market Act	292,454
MidWest One Public Works Equipment Money Market Act	100,718
	\$ 824,483

### 2023 Planning Commission Annual Report

April 18, 2023

### **Planning Commission Members:**

Dan Tronrud
Jim Berg
Warren Johnson
Cindy Thorman
Kim Kaiser
Jon Cronick (Town Board member)
Jeremy Utke (PC Chair)

### **Permits**

Permits issued for 2022 = 43 Permits issued from January-April 2023 = 4

### **Comprehensive Plan**

Planning commission members have completed reviewing the verbiage and data of the current comprehensive plan in regards to the Revised October 2020 version. It has been discovered that several sections of the current comprehensive plan are in need of updated information to better reflect the current state and status of the Town of Osceola.

A formal request was made to the Town Board in January 2023 to recommend Stevens Engineering for providing updates on 3 key sections of the comprehensive plan (Section 2: Economic Development), (Section 3: Housing) and (Section 7: Issues and Opportunities). In March of 2023, the Town Board formally approved \$2,625 Stevens Engineering to update the afore noted sections. The remaining 7 sections will be reviewed and updated by the Planning Commission members with a goal to have the updated 2023 Comprehensive Plan ready for submission and approval by fall of 2023.

# Town of Osceola Annual Animal Control Report

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Complaint Calls	37	27	18	∞	Ŋ	12	16
Dog at Large (Trespassing)	11	ത	9	0	1	က	O
Barking Complaints	∞	2	co	0	0	1	4
Kill Damage	2	П	0	0	0	0	П
Chasing Livestock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chasing Deer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taken to Arnell (Placed at Pound)	∞	9	Ω.	4	1	4dog/1cat	1dog
Claimed by Owner (Reunited)	0	⊣	1 (Dead)	2	5 dogs	1	m
Destroying Property	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Euthanasia	0	3 Raccoon	1 Raccoon	0	0	1 (attacked owner/surrender)	0
Chasing Children	0	0	1 FOX 0	0	0	0	0
Dog Bite (Biting Complaint)	Н	0	0	0	0	0	0
Citation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cat	2	2	0	0	Н	1	П
Other	3 (Dog Welfare Checks)	2 (Livestock on Road)	1 Neglect	2 (Horse Fencing/Rabbit at large)	1 (cows out)	1 (unpaid vet bill/surrender)	1 (crowing rooster)



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Town of Osceola Summary Report

Permits issued in 2022 (numbers in red are permits issued in 2021)

10 New House 24

15 Accessory Buildings/Sheds 8

3 Additions 5

7 Deck/Porch 4

0 New Commercial 0

13 Others 14

Total Valuation: \$4,910,225.00 (\$8,450,663.92)

Permits are required for new homes, additions to homes or accessory buildings, decks, accessory buildings, and alterations to buildings. Re-roofing, residing, refinishing of interior surfaces, and cabinetry are exempt from permit requirements.

Land use permits are required from the county for any project that changes the size of an existing structure.

The website to contact the building inspector or apply for a permit can be found on the Town's website under the Government button, then Town Board and Staff Contacts.

TOWN OF OSCEOLA	EOLA		Total Value	Total Fees	Total Fines
TOS22-01 DOUGLAS SCHMIDT	042-00850-0600		\$2,500.00	\$100.00	
626 210TH ST		CAR PORT			
TOS22-02 BENJAMIN LUCAS	042-01143-4100		\$7,250.00	\$166.60	
2466 82ND AVE		ALTERATIONS			
TOS22-03 ANTHONY CABREANA	042-00071-0000		\$430,000.00	\$1,546.96	
2125 120TH AVE		RAZE/NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING	ING		
TOS22-04 KURT LYSHOLM	042-00407-0000		\$52,500.00	\$424.00	
883 218TH ST COUNTY RD MM	, RD MM	ACCESSORY BUILDING/SHED			
TOS22-05 ROBERT SEIBERLICH	042-00937-0000		\$75,000.00	\$575.00	
2406 113TH AVE		ALTERATIONS			

TOS22-06 JEFFREY MASEK	042-00303-0000	\$40,000.00	\$259,00	
2121 90TH AVE	ACCESSORY BUILDING			1
TOS22-07 Donna Olson	042-01321-1500	\$50,000.00	\$315.76	
878 217TH ST	4 Season Proch			ı
TOS22-08 Nathan Warner	042-01331-2400	\$8,000.00	\$160.00	
822 223RD ST	Deck			1
TOS22-09 GREGORY CONTRACTI	TOS22-09  GREGORY CONTRACTING   GREGORY CONTRACTING   977556	\$16,113.00	\$219.70	
TOS22-10	042-00457-3700	\$62,000.00	\$336.88	ı
2156 84TH AVE	ADDITION			ĺ
TOS22-11 GARY BRUNCLIK CONS	TOS22-11 GARY BRUNCLIK CONSTRUCTION   GARY BRUNCLIK CONSTRUCTION   14568	\$481,000.00	\$1,589.64	
2387 82ND AVE	NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING	LING		1
				23

TOS22-12 TYSON ARDEN   TYSON ARDEN   051200065	55	\$310,000.00	\$1,553.12
6XX 216TH ST	NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING		
TOS22-13 042-00077-0900 PAUL A & CHERYL L BAKER		\$20,000.00	\$265.60
2173 121ST AVE	ACCESSORY BUILDING		
TOS22-14 042-00907-0000 KYLE CHRISTIANSEN		\$350,000.00	\$1,768.72
1170 RIVER RD COUNTY RD S	BUNKHOUSE		
TOS22-15 042-00458-1100 Andrew Butzler		\$50,000.00	\$292.00
2152 84TH AVE	ACCESSORY BUILDING		
TOS22-16 042-00454-0000 GLYN THORMAN		\$7,500.00	\$160.00
827 218TH ST COUNTY RD MM	DECK		
TOS22-17 042-00284-0000 Hannah Thompson		\$2,000.00	\$114.00
2031 90TH AVE	ELECTRICAL		



TOS22-18 MARK STICKEL	042-00580-0000		\$1,000.00	\$160.00
1994 75TH AVE COUNTY RD Y	ΓY RD Υ	PORCH		
TOS22-19 DENISE KAYE	042-00435-0002		\$7,000.00	\$160.00
2166 90TH AVE		PORCH		
TOS22-20 J.L. JAMES HOMES   J.	TOS22-20 042-01331-1100 J.L. JAMES HOMES   J.L. JAMES HOMES   052100578	100578	\$291,000.00	\$1,260.08
829 223RD ST		NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING		
TOS22-21 NICHOLAS O'REILLY	042-00398-7000		\$4,000.00	\$100.00
2396 84TH AVE		Backyard Shed		
TOS22-22 JEREMY LAVIGNE   LA	042-00498-0100 KESIDE CONSTRUCTION	TOS22-22 JEREMY LAVIGNE   LAKESIDE CONSTRUCTION - JEREMY LAVIGNE   022000165	\$35,000.00	\$258.56
1960 90TH AVE		ACCESSORY BUILDING		
TOS22-23 VICKIE MILLER	042-00634-0600		\$358,000.00	\$1,272.62
752 200TH ST		NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING		

TOS22-24 BRYAN RADDATZ	042-00782-0300		\$45,000.00	\$290.00
636 236TH ST		ACCESSORY BUILDING		
TOS22-25 GLENDA MATTONEN	042-01333-0700		\$2,000.00	\$150.00
19XX 80TH AVE		ELECTRICAL		
TOS22-26 JAMEY HOAG	042-00782-0300		\$30,000.00	\$233,92
636 236TH ST		ACCESSORY BUILDING		
TOS22-27 Danisha Crenshaw	042-00899-0000		\$22,120.00	\$282.10
1924 BIG LAKE DR		SOLAR		
TOS22-28 NELISENA LANDAHL	042-01093-0000		\$30,000,00	\$392.50
877 250TH ST		GARAGE		
TOS22-29 Jonathan Green	042-01190-0200		\$13,000.00	\$205.10
645 240TH ST		ALTERATIONS		

TOS22-30 Mike Gray	042-00049-0000		\$200,000.00	\$1,550.00
2075 120TH AVE		gray event center		
TOS22-31 THOMAS C. WILLIAMS	TOS22-31 THOMAS C. WILLIAMS   THOMAS C. WILLIAMS   021100070	S   021100070	\$341,000.00	\$1,567.20
1957 110TH AVE		NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING		
TOS22-32 JEFFREY D. PARKS   JE	TOS22-32 JEFFREY D. PARKS   JEFFREY D. PARKS   1134919	4919	\$40,000.00	\$160.00
1122 200TH ST		DECK		
TOS22-33 FB CONTRACTORS INC	TOS22-33 042-00859-0100 FB CONTRACTORS INC   FB CONTRACTORS INC	NC   060300121 BRYAN RADDATZ	\$75,000.00	\$351.60
615 200TH ST COUNTY RD M	RD M	ACCESSORY BUILDING		
TOS22-34 042-01 BRADLEY & SUZANNE M GROSS	042-01036-0000 M GROSS		\$31,000.00	\$207.60
912 A 248TH ST		ACCESSORY BUILDING		
TOS22-35 CASEY RYAN	042-01336-0200		\$602,272.00	\$1,261.00
2492 EDUCATION AVE		ADDITION		

TOS22-36 042-00618-0200 ADAM & BAILEY DUNNOM	200	\$250,000.00	\$1,225.32
777 200TH ST	NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING		
TOS22-37 042-01331-2300 Jordan James	300	\$205,000.00	\$1,351.60
824 223RD ST	NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING		
TOS22-38 042-01329-2800 GARY FRANK, BRUNCLIK   GARY FRANK, BRUNCLIK   14569	.800 NK. BRUNCLIK   14569	\$290,000.00	\$1,369.64
2372 84TH AVE	NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING		
TOS22-39 042-00967-0000 ALL ENERGY SOLAR   071500043	0000 JLAR   071500043	\$54,500.00	\$528.50
1029 RIVER RD COUNTY RD S	Hokanson Solar		
TOS22-40 042-00304-0000 JAMES GILBERT	0000	\$1,000.00	\$100.00
2139 90TH AVE	SHED		
TOS22-41 042-00504-0000 MARK RUDEK	0000	\$0.00	\$150.00
814 HORSE LAKE LANE	FOOTING/FOUNDATION		

\$7,500.00 \$160.00		\$10,970.00 \$189.70	SNO
042-01215-0000	Deck	TOS22-43 GREGORY CONTRACTING   GREGORY CONTRACTING   977556	ALTERATIONS
TOS22-42 Gen Hinchcliffe	1136 200TH ST	TOS22-43 GREGORY CONTRAC	2142 84TH AVE

Permit Distribution Acc. Building=12	Totals	Total Permits	43 Total Value	\$4,910,225.00
Alteration=6 Raze=2	Admin	\$2,650.00	Impact	Plan Review
New Home=10	Inspection	\$20,259.60 State Permit Seal	ermit Seal \$350.00	House Number
Sned=3 Porch=3	Fines		Other	
Deck=4				Total Fees
Addition=3				
Electrical=3				
Other=2				

\$1,524.42

\$24,784.02

### Allied Emergency Services Inc 2022 Annual Run Report

Allied Emergency Services Inc serves an area of 135 square miles which is in the Towns of Alden, Osceola and Garfield. It also serves the Village of Dresser. The fireboard is made up of 3 individuals from each municipality and meets quarterly or as the need arises for board action. Allied operates out of 3 stations of which are located in the Village of Dresser, in the town of Garfield (Wanderoos) and in the Town of Alden. The Alden station was operational on June 1, 2019. Each station is equipped with fire, rescue and medical equipment for responders. We currently have 64 responding personnel in total. This is made up of fire and first responders.

Each year Allied Emergency has a couple community fund raisers. One has been located at the Dresser Station in April. This year the fund raiser was on Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup>. The attendance at this event was incredible. We appreciate the response we continue to see at our fund raisers. The 2<sup>nd</sup> one has been located at the Garfield Station in Wanderoos. This is a Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast. The breakfast has become over time a neighbor gathering for the morning come see us on Mother's Day.

The last couple years these events has allowed Allied to purchase equipment that is outside of the normal budgeting process. We have purchased cold water rescue suits, battery operated Milwaukee rescue tools and a Lucas 3 automated chest compression unit. These purchases would not have been made without the support of the community at these fund raisers.

Total 2022 run numbers for Allied Emergency Services are as follows:

Fire/Rescue/motor vehicle accidents: 107

Medical Runs: 273

Total for 2022: 380

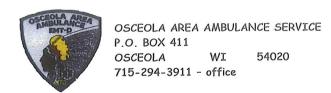
Previous years:

2021= 403

2020= 368

2019= 347

2018=340



970

### April 8th 2023

The Osceola Area Ambulance Service began its rich history in 1974 when new state and federal regulations imposed requirements to have licensed Emergency Medical Technicians and drivers, who were specially trained, take over the role previously provided by private services. They purchased their first ambulance at a cost of \$20,000.00. With this large cost looming, the communities they served went into action raising money through donations for the ambulance and their equipment. Today, the Osceola Ambulance Service continues to provide exemplary emergency care to the residents of the Village of Osceola (100%), Town of Farmington (100%), Town of Osceola (67%), Village of Dresser (50%), Town of Alden (30%) and a small portion of the Town of Garfield.

Osceola Area Ambulance Service employs roughly a dozen emergency medical technicians who provide round-the-clock ambulance coverage for our community. For many of these individuals, "AEMT" or "EMT" is only one of their titles. The current roster includes those with backgrounds and full-time jobs in nursing, sales, construction, manufacturing, and IT, to name a few. Many members work in a variety of different healthcare roles when they are not working for the ambulance service. Despite coming from all different walks of life, this diverse group of AEMTs/EMTs share several commonalities – successful completion of the education required to become an AEMT/EMT, and a passion for personal, community focused emergency care. We are still an on call paid volunteer service with no full-time staff.

The Osceola Ambulance service is owned and operated by the taxpayers of the communities that we serve. The service charges a \$14.00 per person assessment and each community pays an annual amount based on the population it serves. The rest of the income comes from insurance and private payments for each emergency medical care transport thru 911 dispatch.

The Osceola Area Ambulance Service, over the last 50 years have purchased and maintained several ambulance rigs, built their current site and are able to pay for staff to ensure responses to any emergency that may arise. Staff is compensated for all the initial training, monthly training, and on-call time at \$3.50 per hour for EMT's and \$6.00 per hour for Advanced EMT's. While on-call, the individual needs to be within 5 minutes of the ambulance during their shift and is compensated \$20.00 per run. The total annual budget for 2022 was \$310,751. Compare that to the budget from 1979 at \$11,000! Many of these items have been provided through donations, volunteer work, and money that is budgeted. Several years ago, the ambulance established a Non-Profit branch called, "The Friends of the Osceola Area Ambulance Service". Having this branch now allows us to accept donations and give a tax deductible receipt for those donations.

The Osceola Area Ambulance Services does all of this because each member cares about our community and it's a way they give back and care for our people.

There were 112 runs in the Town of Osceola with a total of 476 runs for the year of 2022.

Robyn Foster

St. Croix Valley



**Town of Osceola** 

**April 18, 2023** 



### St. Croix Valley



The following data is drawn from our patient reporting software using the fiscal year of 4/1/2022 through 3/31/2023 to provide you with the most current information available. Previous fiscal years referenced follow the same date range.

### **Run Volumes**

A	FYE	FYE	FYE
Area	3/2023	3/2022	3/2021
SCV – All	2830	2837	2497
Osceola Town	35	20	36

### **Runs by Response Disposition**

	2023	2022	2021
Cancelled	7	2	8
Other	2	1	3
Patient Refused Care	8	4	4
Treated/Transported by EMS	18	13	21

### **Average Run times**

	Osc Town	Osc Town	Osc Town
	2023	2022	2021
Enroute	1:04	1:01	0:41
To Scene	10:36	9:57	9:32

### **SCV EMS Top 10 Dispatch Requests**

Fall	20.34%
Sick Person	19.90%
Breathing Problem	7.47%
Traffic Incident	6.82%
Unconscious/Fainting	5.34%
Chest Pain	4.42%
Traumatic Injury	3.98%
Stroke/CVA	3.16%
Medical Alarm	3.11%
Seizure	2.84%

### **Runs By 911 Location – Top Five**

Home/Residence	37.79%
Residential Institution	10.31%
Apartment	9.32%
Trade/Service	7.91%
Street/Highway	6.00%

### 2022-2023 Highlights:

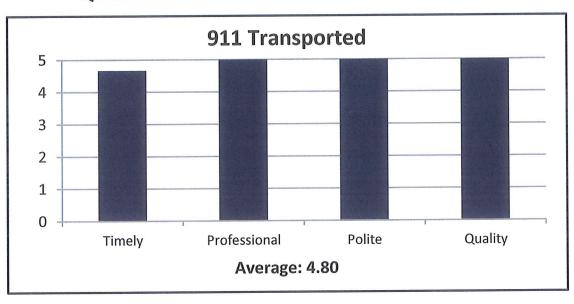
- Wisconsin Supervisor
- Quick-Response Vehicle
- FLEX Grant Funding Award
- Polk County Dispatch Medical Direction

### **Community Outreach:**

Charitable Missions
Backpack Program
Anonymous Santa
Summer food tote program
Patient/Crew reunions

Good Neighbor Project High School Scholarship CPR Training Public Health MAPP

### **Q4 2022 Customer Satisfaction Scores**



### St. Croix Valley











