

NOTICE - AMENDED
VILLAGE OF OSCEOLA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Date: **Thursday, November 9, 2023**

Time: **7:00 pm CST**

Place: Board Room, upper level (310 Chieftain Street)

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the agenda
3. Other business – discussion and possible action re:
 - a) Interview Trustee Candidate applications
4. The Board may consider going into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute §19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. This pertains to the selection of Village Trustee applicants.
5. Future agenda items and updates
6. Adjourn

The Power of 10 are the 10 most significant assets in the community identified by the Board. They are listed below:

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| 1. Schools | 5. Falls | 9. Medical Services |
| 2. Airport | 6. Downtown Businesses | 10. Recreational opportunities and the Braves
(tied ranking for number 10) |
| 3. Industrial Park | 7. Personalization/Historic of Downtown Feel | |
| 4. River | 8. Access to major population center | |

NOTE: It is possible that members of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility. No action will be taken by any governmental body at the above-stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice. Meetings may be recorded for public viewing and record retention.

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Oct 12th, 2023

Village of Osceola
Att Village Clerk
310 Chieftain St.
Osceola WI 54020

Dear Trustees

In response to your Public Announcement seeking applicants for Village Trustee I would formally like to express my interest in that position.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MS', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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Attached letter containing additional information

Dear Village Trustees, Staff and Citizens of the Village of Osceola.

In conjunction with my letter of interest for the Village of Osceola Trustee position I would like to provide the additional information re myself.

For those of you who do not know me I am a long-time resident of Osceola. I moved here with my mother in approximately 1983 or 84. We lived on the corner of 8th and Chieftain. That would be the beginning of a long history in Osceola. At a young age of 5 I met some of my life long friends. I joined Cub Scouts and eventually Boy Scouts. Spending much of my youth being involved in civic activities. I have fond memories of selling Christmas Trees with Jim Olson behind the old Napa. In about '84 my Mom Sue Hoverman met Larry Hoverman. We moved from Chieftain St to Geiger St for a year then eventually up to Eric Drive where I stayed until I graduated from OHS. We're having our 30th reunion this year and I excited to attend.

As I grew up, I helped many older classmates with Eagle scout projects like the Round Lake beach and trimming trees at the Hatchery. Outside of civic activities, I got my first job working at the Main Streeter for Pete and Dianne Kammerude. If I recall it was because my mom decided I needed a job 😊

I stayed working with Pete and Dianne and added pizza making to my resume in addition to dish washer. As I spent more time in shop class at High School, I decided I wanted to try my hand at selling hardware. I think I started about the time Bill moved from main street to the roller rink. I helped paint the first Coast to Coast brand colors on the walls. My ambition and work ethic must have been noticed because Bill would have me come in early mornings when the delivery truck was there to unload. After that we would go to either the Mainstreeter or Millers Café for breakfast. I remember sitting with Doug Nykanen, Carley Carlson, Harris Parent, and many other notable names. I enjoyed listening to what was going on in town. That has stuck with me my entire life.

After High school I tried my hand at the criminal justice path but that didn't work out too well. The market was flooded. On the suggestion of a family member, I looked into being an electrician. In 1996 I applied for Dunwoody and was accepted in their electrical construction program. This apparently was my calling as I excelled at this trade. During my first summer break I went to work for a union shop in the twin cities and really enjoyed it. I was fortunate to get a letter of recommendation from my Foreman and Project manager. My Second year at Dunwoody went great and I decided to try my luck at the office side of electrical construction. That too went well and Parson's Electric offered to hire me and also asked that I switch programs to more management and engineering. I was eventually part of the first class of a new program at Dunwoody focusing on building electrical systems. I graduated with just under a 4.0 gpa.

I stayed on with Parsons doing electrical design for many buildings in the twin cities area. They included Veritas Software in Roseville, many ADC facilities, and many manufacturing facilities. As the construction market grew, I too wanted to grow. A mentor had left Parson and went to Hunt Electric. I

followed and started estimating. My first estimating jobs included Best Buy Campus and the Guthrie. While estimating multi million-dollar projects sounds cool, it's really boring. I found a opportunity to expand electrical services in down town Minneapolis. I had accounts like the Metrodome, American Express headquarters and the AT&T tower. In my spare time I continued my education and completed an AA, BA , licensed electrician and a few specialized certificates. I even tried my hand at an Accounting Degree, Juris Doctorate and Masters. Those last three turned out to be a bit aggressive for me and I didn't finish.

As many recall the economic downturn in 2008 really put a damper on commercial real estate. In the attempt to stay busy I started looking for new opportunities. That eventually brought me to moving out of state. After a few years of traveling and A LOT more experiences I found myself and family wanting to move back home to the Midwest. Those experiences have allowed me to have many interactions with government agencies and large business customers. After coming back to Osceola, I noticed that many citizens were concerned with the local government. It was heartbreaking to see some poor decisions being made and a lot of financial mismanagement. That has since turned into another chapter of my life of being personally involved in grass root level politics and helping others do the same. Osceola has always been a great bedroom community. While that allows for a great place to live it's hard for the average person to really pay attention to what's going on around them. Many families are hard pressed for time and resources to pay attention. That comes at a cost many cannot afford.

I have many friends and acquaintances that have been here longer than I. Having moved back it's great to see them still here. It's disheartening to see them struggle and considering leaving. I came back because it wasn't always greener on the other side. With my personal experiences growth is necessary and may not appeal to all. It does have to be tempered and personal agendas need to be set aside.

With that LONG winded story behind (TLDR) I'm already personally vested in the Village and would like to take it one step further and become a Village Trustee. With my extensive life and work history (I've left plenty more out) I feel I'm very qualified and would be excited to continue helping the Village grow in the best direction possible. I hope you find my skills useful and look forward to the opportunity to help the Village.

Regards,

Mike Sine

Marsha Hovey
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Osceola, WI 54020

Thursday November 2, 2023

Osceola Village Board
c/o Carie Krentz
P.O. Box 217
Osceola, WI 54020

Dear Current Village Board Members,

I am reaching out today to be considered for the vacant Village Trustee position. I would appreciate being considered for this role and would be happy to answer any necessary questions prior to a special election if needed.

As an active member of the community, I feel that my voice would be a great addition to the current board. I purchased my house in Osceola three years ago, and instantly fell in love with the village and surrounding areas. I am the Marketing Director at Trollhaugen, as well as the Osceola Skatepark President, and feel so lucky to live in a town that places an emphasis on outdoor recreation and tourism. I would love to continue to celebrate Osceola by way of this position, and help in any way that I can.

Although I have never held a position in local government, I have years of applicable leadership experience to apply to this role.

I look forward to hearing from you, and I appreciate your time and consideration.

All the best,
Marsha Hovey