

VILLAGE OF OSCEOLA

REGULAR BOARD MEETING PROCEEDINGS

April 8, 2025

The Village of Osceola met for a Regular meeting on April 8, 2025, at Village Hall. Village President Lutz called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Brad Lutz, Mike Sine, Van Burch, Neil Kline, Marsha Hovey, Arvid Maki and Ron Pedrys

Staff present: Devin Swanberg, Carie Krentz, Todd Waters, Andrew Bach, Rick Caruso, Paul Elfstrom and Joey Cutts

Pledge of Alliance

Motion by Maki and seconded by Sine to approve the agenda.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by Klien and seconded by Burch to approve the consent agenda.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Public input and ideas (Limit 5 minutes per speaker)

Nicole Rensink at 1956 70th Avenue, Osceola WI spoke about a sex offender living close to school and stated there is no law or ordinance in the village regarding this and would like to see an ordinance in place.

Andrew Butzler at 2152 84th Avenue, Osceola WI spoke about sex offender living less than 198 feet from the elementary school. Asking board to create or amend an existing ordinance to prohibit registered sex offenders from living a certain distance from school & parks within the limits of the Village of Osceola.

Jan Gifford at 508 Gerald Street, Osceola WI spoke about sex offender living near school. Also, feels residence nearby should be notified and included in the ordinance. Asked board if they are benefitting at all for allowing these sex offenders to live within the Village? Which is a concern of hers and to be considered to not let them live here.

Danielle Rother at 406 Delmar Avenue, Osceola WI also spoke about register child sex offender that lives next to elementary school and as a parent of child at the school should have been notified. Concern about notification. Coming from a lot community engagement and would like to see that happen here. Suggest to craft an ordinance specifically addressing distance regarding child sex offenders and adding more definition (enforcing, photographing, etc.) in our code at least.

Teresa Westling at 410 Gerald Street, Osceola WI spoke about sex offender living near school and is another voice who wants to see an ordinance put in place about offender residence restrictions.

Reports: Staff reports

Police: Bach stated the PD generated 332 calls, 86 incidents and traffic reports with 2 arrests, 2 criminal referrals and 1 emergency detention. Officers had 25 traffic stops and issued 36 municipal citations. Proceeded to review his memo to the board.

Public Works: Waters reviewed his memo to the board. Discussion on memo items as well as the return of a beaver dam.

Utilities: Caruso reviewed his memo to the board.

Library: Miller away at training.

Fire: Elfstrom stated runs for the month of March were 15 runs total, 13 in Village of Osceola, 1 in Town of Farmington and 1 mutual aid St. Croix County and reviewed his memo. Discussion on burning ban and having it on webpage permanently.

Building Inspection: Swanberg 1 new home permit in March and 2 in April.

Administration: Swanberg reviewed his memo to the board and thanked election worker for running a smooth efficient election.

Chamber of Commerce/Mainstreet: Yager reviewed his memo to the board.

**Other business – discussion and possible action re:
Arbor Day 2025 Proclamation**

Waters requesting to honor arbor day on April 25, 2025 in the village of Osceola. They will be planting multiple trees on the west side of mill pond. Stated for the past 17 years, Osceola has been a Tree City.

Motion by Sine and seconded by Maki to approve Arbor Day 2025 Proclamation as presented.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Review BIDs to award the Cascade Falls Phase 1 construction contract

Swanberg stated BIDs were tabulated last Friday, Drew Lindh with MSA is here to talk about them and administration's recommendation is to go with low bid by Pember Companies, Inc.

Lindh stated wants to review BIDs, identify responsible bidder, once identified discuss alternates. Reviewed each bid and pointed out differences, one being the #18, Stairway and the Pember and Janke bids using the same supplier as compared to the other two bids. Also pointed out that if board would like to go with alternate #4 to replace landing than #8 in bid would be removed from total. Lindh, as well as Waters, recommended going with the lowest bidder. Long discussion on all the alternate options to include in the project and financing.

Motion by Maki and seconded by Sine to award construction contract for Cascade Falls Phase 1 project to Pember Companies with alternates AA1, AA4 and AA7.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Bluff Tower BIDS

Erik Henningsgard with SEH had bid opening for water main last Friday. Reached out to 6 main contractors with plan holders and received no bids. Discussed the issues with the plan and how to fix.

Annexation of parcels 022-01132-0000, 022-01131-0000 and 022-01133-0000 from the Town of Farmington

Swanberg summarized Gary Johnson's petitioning his parcels of land to be annexed into the Village of Osceola, this would also include a parcel owned by Village of Osceola being petitioned by Cedar Corp. for the development of Plane View Estates. This was recommended for approval by Planning Commission with a vote of 6-1. Discussion on any obstacles for petition and Swanberg stated admin recommends approval as presented.

Motion by Kline and seconded by Burch to approve annexation of parcels from the Town of Farmington as presented.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion Carried

OIDC land sale to Raska Sewer Services

Swanberg stated this has gone before Planning Commission and OIDC, Raska Sewer Services is looking to move their operations and is looking to purchase land in industrial park, parcel #165-00460-0300 for \$30,000, which is the amount we accepted to sell last year to Precision Steel. Challenges with site are the steep drop off on the back side and water & sewer stubbed in from the south. Raska plans to dig into street and add a new water & sewer main from street. Also, with approval we will move forward with a development and TID agreement for this parcel. Discussion on TID increment and zoning for open storage.

Motion by Maki and seconded by Sine to approve sale of land to Raska Sewer Services as presented.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion Carried

Resolution #25-02 To Adopt Amended 2025 Fee Schedule

Swanberg this was tabled from last month while looking into if any Police Department fees were missing. After checking with department there were no updates from last month and it is ready for approval.

Motion by Sine and seconded by Burch to approve Resolution #25-02 to adopt amended 2025 Fee Schedule as presented.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion Carried

Resolution #25-03 Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption

Swanberg stated the County has been working hard to get a Hazard Mitigation Plan in place and before you is that

plan that needs to be adopted by resolution. Need to adopt to be considered to receive any FEMA grants and other government agencies grants in terms of hazards taking place, such as flooding or natural disasters.

Motion by Pedrys and seconded by Sine to adopt Resolution #25-03 Hazard Mitigation Plan as presented.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion Carried

Commission/Committee Discussion & Appointments

Swanberg stated there are some commission/committee appointments needing approval as presented. Discussion on how these individuals come to be appointed and still needed historian and architect for HPC. Staff was directed to place another add in paper for openings. Sine would like to know about individuals wanting to be on the commissions/committees, with a narrative on why they want to serve on board.

Motion by Lutz seconded by Maki to approve commission/committee appointments as presented.

Ayes-6 Nays-1(Sine) Motion Carried

Future agenda items and updates

Members all thanked Hovey for her service to the board.

Maki would like to re-visit bridge project.

Sine would like to look into code regarding outside storage issue.

Kline would like to discuss zoning code and consider talking about sex offender ordinance from public comments tonight.

President Lutz adjourned the meeting at 8:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Carie Krentz, Village Clerk