

# TOWN OF OSCEOLA TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**Monday, March 2, 2026 – 6:30 P.M.**

Town Hall - 516 East Avenue North, Dresser WI

Virtual - Open Meeting via Microsoft Teams;

To join via Teams: See Meetings, Notices/Agendas on <https://townofosceola.com/meeting/meeting-notices-agendas/>  
Agenda Can Change Up to 24 Hours Prior to Meeting

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  - b) Lanette Johnson
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  - d) Webley Weingarten
16. Committee Reports: Consideration/Review/Discussion
  - a) Finance
  - b) Media & Technology
  - c) Personnel
  - d) Public Works
17. Request for Future Meeting Agenda Items
18. Next Plan Commission Meeting – Tues., March 24, 2026, 6:00 p.m.
19. Next Town Board Meeting – Mon., April 13, 2026, 6:30 p.m.
20. Next Public Works Committee Meeting – Thurs, March 12 & 26, 7:00 a.m.
21. Community Meetings Board Members Attend:
22. 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 individuals with disabilities to have an equal opportunity to enjoy all Town programs and services. Anyone who requires auxiliary aid or service for effective communication should contact the Clerk's office at (715)755-3060 no later than one (1) day before the event.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING: I hereby certify that this notice has been posted at the Dresser Post Office, the Town Hall, and the Town Web Site.  
/s/ Dani Pratt, Clerk

**TOWN OF OSCEOLA**  
**Check Detail**  
February 2 through March 2, 2026

Type	Date	Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
Check	02/04/2026	ACH	Verizon	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-100.26
				53243 · PW Cell Phone	100.26
TOTAL					100.26
Liability Check	02/04/2026	ACH	IRS	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-2,286.54
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	890.00
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	565.91
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	565.91
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	132.36
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	132.36
TOTAL					2,286.54
Liability Check	02/05/2026	ACH	IRS	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-255.06
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	103.36
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	103.36
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	24.17
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	24.17
TOTAL					255.06
Check	02/09/2026	ACH	E. O. Johnson Co.	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-319.00
				51425 · Office Supplies	319.00
TOTAL					319.00
Check	02/09/2026	ACH	Spectrum Enterprise	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-149.99
				51616 · Telephone/Internet	149.99
TOTAL					149.99
Check	02/09/2026	ACH	We Energies	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-651.42
				51612 · Gas Utilities	651.42
TOTAL					651.42
Check	02/13/2026	ACH	Xcel Energy	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-164.19
				51611 · Electric Utilities	164.19
TOTAL					164.19
Liability Check	02/16/2026	ACH	AFLAC	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-327.00
				22110 · Short Term Disability	327.00
TOTAL					327.00
Liability Check	02/18/2026	ACH	IRS	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-2,357.38
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	801.00
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	630.69
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	630.69
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	147.50
				21000 · Payroll Liabilities	147.50
TOTAL					2,357.38
Check	02/23/2026	ACH	Kwik Trip	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-1,929.98

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
				53241 - Fuel	173.63
				53241 - Fuel	226.00
				53241 - Fuel	92.00
				53241 - Fuel	325.00
				53241 - Fuel	101.00
				53241 - Fuel	194.01
				53241 - Fuel	232.00
				53241 - Fuel	202.00
				53241 - Fuel	193.00
				53241 - Fuel	200.00
				53241 - Fuel	-8.66
TOTAL					<u>1,929.98</u>
<b>Liability Check</b>	<b>02/27/2026</b>	<b>ACH</b>	<b>Wisconsin Retirement System</b>	<b>10004 - MidWest One Checking Account</b>	<b>-3,230.86</b>
				21000 - Payroll Liabilities	625.97
				21000 - Payroll Liabilities	604.37
				21000 - Payroll Liabilities	21.60
				21000 - Payroll Liabilities	256.79
				21000 - Payroll Liabilities	989.46
				21000 - Payroll Liabilities	732.67
TOTAL					<u>3,230.86</u>
<b>Liability Check</b>	<b>03/02/2026</b>	<b>ACH</b>	<b>Wisconsin Dept of Revenue</b>	<b>10004 - MidWest One Checking Account</b>	<b>-1,179.43</b>
				21000 - Payroll Liabilities	1,179.43
TOTAL					<u>1,179.43</u>
<b>Check</b>	<b>03/02/2026</b>	<b>ACH</b>	<b>Elan Financial Services</b>	<b>10004 - MidWest One Checking Account</b>	<b>-676.37</b>
				51300 - Other Background Checks	7.00
				51426 - Postage	14.67
				51426 - Postage	7.47
				51460 - Dues & Training	67.65
				51426 - Postage	158.14
				53236 - Road Maintenance & Repair	41.62
				53236 - Road Maintenance & Repair	88.56
				53236 - Road Maintenance & Repair	85.44
				53242 - Garage Expenses	46.13
				53240 - Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	125.19
				53242 - Garage Expenses	34.50
TOTAL					<u>676.37</u>
<b>Check</b>	<b>03/02/2026</b>	<b>ACH</b>	<b>WI Dept of Revenue</b>	<b>10004 - MidWest One Checking Account</b>	<b>-50.00</b>
				51460 - Dues & Training	50.00
TOTAL					<u>50.00</u>
<b>Paycheck</b>	<b>02/13/2026</b>	<b>20288</b>	<b>Carlson, Janice</b>	<b>10004 - MidWest One Checking Account</b>	<b>-1,557.72</b>
				51411 - Treasurer Wages	1,380.52
				51412 - Treasurer/Tax Collection	559.99
TOTAL					<u>1,557.72</u>
<b>Paycheck</b>	<b>02/13/2026</b>	<b>20289</b>	<b>Gaffney, Joseph J</b>	<b>10004 - MidWest One Checking Account</b>	<b>-1,806.78</b>

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
				53247 - Full-Time PW Wages	2,160.00
				53248 - Full Time PW OT Wages	29.57
				53247 - Full-Time PW Wages	384.62
TOTAL					1,806.78
Paycheck	02/13/2026	20290	Pratt, Danielle RB	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-906.72
				51410 - Clerk Wages	1,459.36
TOTAL					906.72
Paycheck	02/13/2026	20291	Raddatz, Todd A	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-1,801.52
				53245 - Supervisor PW Wages	2,076.64
				53246 - Supervisor PW OT Wages	16.54
				53245 - Supervisor PW Wages	623.36
				53245 - Supervisor PW Wages	461.54
TOTAL					1,801.52
Check	02/09/2026	20292	Torgerson Machinery	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-83,750.00
				53239 - Capital Highway Equipment	83,750.00
TOTAL					83,750.00
Check	02/15/2026	20293	Polk County Treasurer	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-680,363.76
				41228 - Property Tax Settlement-County	680,363.76
TOTAL					680,363.76
Check	02/15/2026	20294	Osceola School District	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-1,017,459.15
				41226 - Property Tax Settlement-Schools	1,017,459.15
TOTAL					1,017,459.15
Check	02/15/2026	20295	SCF School District	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-352,807.54
				41226 - Property Tax Settlement-Schools	352,807.54
TOTAL					352,807.54
Check	02/15/2026	20296	Northwoods Technical College	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-54,608.23
				Tax Collections - Other	54,608.23
TOTAL					54,608.23
Paycheck	02/27/2026	20297	Carlson, Janice	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-914.83
				51411 - Treasurer Wages	1,078.22
TOTAL					914.83
Paycheck	02/27/2026	20298	Gaffney, Joseph J	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-1,800.77
				53247 - Full-Time PW Wages	2,160.00
				53248 - Full Time PW OT Wages	19.44
				53247 - Full-Time PW Wages	384.62
TOTAL					1,800.77
Paycheck	02/27/2026	20299	Pratt, Danielle RB	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-1,033.82
				51410 - Clerk Wages	1,130.23

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
				51410 - Clerk Wages	127.20
TOTAL					1,033.82
Paycheck	02/27/2026	20300	Raddatz, Todd A	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-1,874.40
				53245 - Supervisor PW Wages	2,700.00
				53246 - Supervisor PW OT Wages	139.39
				53245 - Supervisor PW Wages	461.54
TOTAL					1,874.40
Paycheck	03/02/2026	20301	Cronick, Jon M	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-269.36
				Board Salaries	291.67
TOTAL					269.36
Paycheck	03/02/2026	20302	Johnson, Lanette M	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-269.36
				Board Salaries	291.67
TOTAL					269.36
Paycheck	03/02/2026	20303	Lindh, Dale A	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-461.75
				Board Salaries	500.00
TOTAL					461.75
Paycheck	03/02/2026	20304	Mortenson, Lee A	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-269.36
				Board Salaries	291.67
TOTAL					269.36
Paycheck	03/02/2026	20305	Weingarten, Webley W	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-269.36
				Board Salaries	291.67
TOTAL					269.36
Check	03/01/2026	20306	Alcivia	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-2,588.82
				53241 - Fuel	1,271.77
				53241 - Fuel	1,317.05
TOTAL					2,588.82
Check	03/01/2026	20307	Arden Specialty LLC	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-1,101.38
				53240 - Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	311.83
				53242 - Garage Expenses	9.17
				53240 - Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	7.24
				53242 - Garage Expenses	65.04
				53242 - Garage Expenses	101.60
				53240 - Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	139.00
				53240 - Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	67.28
				53240 - Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	326.76
				53240 - Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	73.46
TOTAL					1,101.38
Check	03/01/2026	20308	Bakke Norman S.C	10004 - MidWest One Checking Account	-1,486.25
				Municipal Attorney Fees	789.25
				Municipal Attorney Fees	697.00

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
TOTAL					1,486.25
Check	03/01/2026	20309	Brothers Country Mart LLC	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-100.00
				53241 · Fuel	100.00
TOTAL					100.00
Check	03/01/2026	20310	Connecting Point	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-650.40
				51435 · Website & Computer Expenses	543.80
				Computer/Emails	41.00
				Computer/Email	65.60
TOTAL					650.40
Check	03/01/2026	20311	Command Central	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-1,214.55
				Supplies	1,214.55
TOTAL					1,214.55
Check	03/01/2026	20312	CWS Security	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-101.85
				51620 · Bldg Repairs & Maint	101.85
TOTAL					101.85
Check	03/01/2026	20313	Dresser Water & Sewer Utilities	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-132.87
				51613 · Water & Sewer Utilities	132.87
TOTAL					132.87
Check	03/01/2026	20314	Emplify Health	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-144.00
				53242 · Garage Expenses	84.00
				53242 · Garage Expenses	60.00
TOTAL					144.00
Check	03/01/2026	20315	Hall, Darel	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-103.50
				Animal Warden Wages	40.00
				Mileage & Expenses	30.45
				Animal Warden Wages	20.00
				Mileage & Expenses	13.05
TOTAL					103.50
Check	03/01/2026	20316	Industrial Safety, Inc.	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-470.91
				53242 · Garage Expenses	179.00
				53236 · Road Maintenance & Repair	291.91
TOTAL					470.91
Check	03/01/2026	20317	Northwoods Technical College	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-45.02
				41008 · In Lieu of Tax - DNR Land	45.02
TOTAL					45.02
Check	03/01/2026	20318	O'Reilly Auto Parts	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-381.73
				53240 · Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	49.10
				53240 · Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	168.99

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
				53240 · Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	163.64
TOTAL					381.73
Check	03/01/2026	20319	Pieper, Gerald	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-58.50
				Gopher Bounty Expenses	58.50
TOTAL					58.50
Check	03/01/2026	20320	Polk County Treasurer	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-540.19
				41008 · In Lieu of Tax - DNR Land	540.19
TOTAL					540.19
Check	03/01/2026	20321	Polk County Highway Dept.	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-5,617.62
				53236 · Road Maintenance & Repair	5,617.62
TOTAL					5,617.62
Check	03/01/2026	20322	Raska Sewer Service	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-307.50
				51620 · Bldg Repairs & Maint	307.50
TOTAL					307.50
Check	03/01/2026	20323	St Croix Valley Emergency Medical Service	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-4,752.00
				Ambulance Contract (St. Croix)	4,752.00
TOTAL					4,752.00
Check	03/01/2026	20324	Osceola School District	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-1,073.02
				41008 · In Lieu of Tax - DNR Land	1,073.02
TOTAL					1,073.02
Check	03/01/2026	20325	The Sun	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-511.50
				Publications	255.75
				Publications	255.75
TOTAL					511.50
Check	03/01/2026	20326	Town of Garfield.	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-130.00
				53260 · Dues & Training	130.00
TOTAL					130.00
Check	03/01/2026	20327	TMS Enterprises	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-211.00
				53240 · Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	50.00
				53240 · Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	161.00
TOTAL					211.00
Check	03/01/2026	20328	West WI Inspection Agency	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-4,207.64
				52400 · Building Inspection Expense	4,207.64
TOTAL					4,207.64
Check	03/01/2026	20329	Jesse Buelow	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-289.23
				41229 · Tax Collection Overpayments	289.23

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
TOTAL					289.23
Check	03/01/2026	20330	Derek Peterson	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-180.86
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	180.86
TOTAL					180.86
Check	03/01/2026	20331	Dennis Milner	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-5,842.07
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	5,842.07
TOTAL					5,842.07
Check	03/01/2026	20332	Christopher & Amy Viebrock	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-154.15
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	154.15
TOTAL					154.15
Check	03/01/2026	20333	Michael & Jennifer Steele	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-154.15
				Tax Collections - Other	154.15
TOTAL					154.15
Check	03/01/2026	20334	Bender, Peggy	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-138.28
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	138.28
TOTAL					138.28
Check	03/01/2026	20335	David & Teresa Webb	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-154.15
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	154.15
TOTAL					154.15
Check	03/01/2026	20336	Michael Hurd	10004 · MidWest One Checking Account	-4,736.95
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	3,800.91
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	680.01
				41229 - Tax Collection Overpayments	256.03
TOTAL					4,736.95

**Approval of ACH payments from 2/3/26-3/2/26 and checks 20288-20336 in the amount of \$2,253,482.00**

Transferred \$85,000.00 on 2/18/26 and \$2,142,823.15 on 2/20/26 from the Royal Credit Union to cover checks 20292-20296  
Transfer \$25,658.85 to cover March 2nd board bills.

Jon Cronick \_\_\_\_\_  
Lanette Johnson \_\_\_\_\_  
Dale Lindh \_\_\_\_\_  
Lee Mortenson \_\_\_\_\_  
Webley Weingarten \_\_\_\_\_

# TOWN OF OSCEOLA

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

Monday, February 2, 2026 — 6:30 p.m.

### Meeting Minutes

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Osceola met for a regular monthly meeting Monday, February 2, 2026, at 6:30p.m. at the Osceola Town Hall, Dresser, Wisconsin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Designated Alternate Jon Cronick called the regular meeting to order at 6:33p.m.

**VERIFICATION OF MEETING POSTING:** Clerk Pratt confirmed that the meeting notice was posted at the Town Hall, Dresser Post Office, and the Town website.

**PLEDGE:** Supervisor Cronick led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

**PRESENT:** Supervisors Cronick, L. Johnson, Mortenson, and Weingarten, Chair Lindh via Teams meeting.

**PUBLIC ATTENDEES:** Clerk Pratt, Treasurer Carlson, Public Works Supervisor T. Raddatz, Heather Raddatz

#### **CHECK PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF BILLS**

The check detail was provided by Treasurer Carlson.

MOTION BY JOHNSON/CRONICK TO APPROVE WIRE, ACH PAYMENTS AND CHECKS 20247 -20287 FROM JANUARY 5, 2026 – February 2, 2026 FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,273,098.13. MOTION CARRIED.

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED AGENDA**

MOTION BY WEINGARTEN/JOHNSON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

MOTION BY L. JOHNSON/CRONICK TO APPROVE THE 1/05/2026 TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES, WITH A CORRECTION OF ATTENDANCE AND CORRECTION OF A SPELLING ERROR. MOTION CARRIED

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*No Public Comment.*

#### **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

Public Works Supervisor Raddatz presented a detailed report of work efforts made throughout January.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Bank balances as presented. MOTION BY CRONICK/WEINGARTEN TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

Clerk Pratt gave a report on work activities during the month of January.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**UPDATE ON SPRAY PATCHER**

Supervisor Raddatz has worked with the Town's Attorney to secure purchase of the spray patcher wherein he was the highest bidder in an online auction with Purple Wave. The sale was denied by the City of Choctaw, OK who held the deed.

MOTION LINDH/JOHNSON TO MAKE AN OFFER TO THE CITY OF CHOCTAW OF NO MORE THAN \$30,000.00, PLUS THE \$3,000.00 COST OF TRANSPORTATION, NO ADDITIONAL FEES TO PURPLE WAVE. MOTION CARRIED.

**CONSIDER PURCHASE OR REPAIRS OF BACKHOE OR SIMILAR EXCAVATION EQUIPMENT**

Public Works Supervisor Raddatz has been seeking a replacement backhoe for the Town's backhoe, The transmission is failing and the replacement cost was \$34,000.00 plus additional repairs are needed. Raddatz found a suitable replacement in Jordan, MN with Torgerson Machinery.

MOTION BY LINDH/MORTENSON TO PURCHASE a 2021 CATERPILLAR 440 LOADER BACKHOE FOR A TOTAL OF \$88,750.00. MOTION CARRIED.

**CONSIDER DRAINAGE ISSUES- 1169 200<sup>th</sup> St**

There is no update on this issue, the Town is waiting on input from WI DNR in regard to what can be done for re-routing drainage.

**CONSIDER AUTOMATIC ENTRANCE DOORS**

Public Works Supervisor T. Raddatz is waiting on pricing. The board did not take any action.

**CONSIDER STATUS OF MAPLE LEAF DRIVE**

The west portion of Maple Leaf Drive is no longer maintained by the Town. According to Polk County Town road maps that show it is a private road. Because the road was being plowed and sanded previously, the Town is going to follow the precedent and resume plowing and sanding. Clerk Pratt reached out to Polk County to determine what the process is if the Town chooses to assume that road. The Town is waiting to hear back from the County Surveyor. No motion was made.

**UPDATE ON UTILITY ACCOMODATION ORDINANCE**

There are updates and changes needed for the Utility Accommodation Ordinance. Public Works Supervisor Raddatz and Clerk Pratt created a Utility Work Permit Form and requested that the board come back with items and information they would like to keep I that can be found in the draft ordinance. The Town is determining the best route to protect Town right of way, while not making extra burden for utility companies. No motion was made.

**CONSIDER NUISANCE PROPERTIES**

2108 120<sup>th</sup> Ave- A certified letter was sent to the property owner asking for abatement, the property owners replied that they will maintain the property and plan to remove the trailer home and replace it with a newer dwelling.

2390 84<sup>th</sup> Ave – A letter was sent.

789 Horse Lake Lane – A letter was sent. *The property owner reached out to Clerk Pratt, explaining his situation and stated that he wants to follow the ordinance.*

742 195<sup>th</sup> St – A letter was sent to the property owner.

**CONSIDER HOLIDAY PAID TIME OFF FOR TOWN STAFF**

MOTION BY LINDH/CRONICK TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK TO CLARIFY THE CALENDAR YEAR START AND END FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCUMULATING PAID TIME OFF, AND TO ADD TWO HOLIDAYS, DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS EVE. MOTION CARRIED.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **CONSIDER APPOINTING COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

MOTION BY LINDH/CRONICK TO ADD LEE MORTENSON TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. MOTION CARRIED  
*After the meeting a resident observed that the Town's Ordinance shows each committee shall consist of two members. Chair Lindh noted that because the Public Works Committee is posted, noticing the possibility of a quorum, and is open to the public, Mortenson may continue to appear at the PWC meetings as a member of the public.*

*Sec. 2-22. - Board committees.*

*(a)The following are board committees:*

*(1) Personnel committee.*

*(2) Finance committee.*

*(3) Public works committee.*

*(4) Media and technology committee.*

*(b)Each committee shall consist of two members.*

*(Ord. of 8-7-2023, § 2.13(3))*

### **CONSIDER FUEL TANK FOR TOWN FUEL USAGE**

Public Works Supervisor Raddatz is working with ALCIVIA Co-Op to lease a tank and pump at no cost if the Town uses a minimum of 3,000 gallons a year, the Town has been using approximately 5,000 gallons annually. A 300-gallon tank has been installed at the Town Hall and the Town should expect to see savings of around \$4,600.00 a year in fuel.

### **CONSIDER BACK-UP GENERATOR FOR TOWN HALL AND SHOP**

After a recent power outage, the Town was unable to use heat, open and close garage doors, electronic locks were not operating as expected. Public Works Supervisor Raddatz is researching a municipal code ready 30-40KW generator to run during outages and to have available for emergency use. Chair Lindh is going to research whether emergency operation grants are available to cover the costs.

### **CONSIDER OBTAINING 2026 ROAD BIDS**

A list of the proposed roads needing work; micro seal, painting, asphalt, etc. was prepared by Public Works Supervisor Raddatz.

MOTION BY CRONICK/WEINGARTEN TO HAVE STAFF PLACE BIDS IN THE SUN NEWSPAPER TO REQUEST QUOTES FOR PROPOSED 2026 ROAD WORK, LRIP ASPHALT BIDS TO BE RETURNED BY APRIL 13, 2026 AND REGULAR ASPHALT, MICROSEAL, FOG SEAL AND LINE STRIPING BIDS TO BE TURNED IN BY MARCH 2, 2026 . MOTION CARRIED.

### **CONSIDER CLA AUDIT**

The Town's Annual Audit with CLA will commence around February 9, to be ready for the April 13 Town Board of Supervisor's meeting and for the Annual Meeting of Electors.

### **CONSIDER TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENCE FOR 2026 ANNUAL MEETING**

MOTION BY WEINGARTEN/JOHNSON TO HAVE THE TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENT. MOTION CARRIED.

### **CONSIDER OPERATORS PERMIT #25-26-51 FOR JASON REED OSCEOLA ROD & GUN CLUB**

MOTION BY CRONICK/WEINGARTEN TO APPROVE THE OPERATOR'S PERMIT #25-26-51 FOR JASON REED OF THE OSCEOLA ROD AND GUN CLUB FOR THE TERM FEBRUARY 3 - JUNE 30, 2026. MOTION CARRIED.

**CHAIR'S REPORT:** Chair Lindh reported Attendance at the January 14 Ambulance Board Meeting, noting their next meeting is May 13, 2026. Lindh also attended the January 15 Public Work's Committee Meeting, and the January 15 Fire Board meeting. The Fire Board has approved 2 JR program recruits, completed 173 fire runs for 2025 and 292 first responder runs for 2025.

**SUPERVISORS' REPORT**

- a) Cronick – Nothing to report for Plan Commission, did not meet in January.
- b) Johnson – Nothing to report
- c) Mortenson – Nothing to report
- d) Weingarten – Nothing to report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance – The Finance Committee met ahead of the meeting to review accounts.  
Media & Technology – Looking into replacing the General Laptop.  
Personnel – Nothing to report  
Public Works – Continued regular meetings.

**REQUEST FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS**

Nuisance Properties, Utility Accommodation Ordinance, 1169 200<sup>th</sup> St Drainage, Spray Patcher Update, Handicap Doors, Backhoe, Maple Leaf Drive, Road Work Bids, Backup Generator

**COMMUNITY MEETINGS BOARD MEMBERS ATTEND:**

**Next Plan Commission Meeting – Tuesday, February 24, 2026, 6:00 p.m.**

**Next Town Board Meeting – Monday, March 2, 2026, 6:30 p.m.**

**Public Works Committee Meetings: Thurs. February 12, 2026, 7:00 a.m.**

**Community meeting board members attend:**

**ADJOURN**

MOTION BY WEINGARTEN/LINDH TO ADJOURN THE TOWN BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2026.  
MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:41p.m.

**To be approved:** March 2, 2026

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Town Clerk*

# Town Of Osceola

Feb 26

1. First fuel tank was delivered tank of fuel saved us \$438 from pump price.
2. Paperwork on new hoe getting things switched over from old to new
3. Agitated Beet Heet
4. Benck finished heat and AC in office
5. Clean out trucks and grease all equipment
6. Pickup haybine frame to make into sidearm
7. Push back drifts from wind
8. Mow brush back
9. Take pics of IH to list for and list sale
10. Raska pumped out drain in shop (never been done)
11. Replace bad hose on blade
12. New backhoe came welded hooks on buckets
13. Complete hazmat reporting for salt shed
14. Met with Fahrner and Monarch on road projects
15. Second tank of fuel saved 79 cents a gallon saved us \$244 this tanks the first 2 tanks have saved us \$682 since last meeting
16. Started picking up trees and brush now that snow has melted some to clean up ditches
17. Started filling potholes

All Accounts ▼



Sort By Account Number ▼

Checking

Available

Previous Day



GENERAL FUND \*1



\$75,486.26

\$75,486.26 ▼



GENERAL MONEY  
MARKET ACCOUNT



\$11,809.53

\$11,809.53 ▼



TAX RECEIPT  
ACCOUNT \*



\$55,272.27

\$55,272.27 ▼

Total

\$142,568.06

\$142,568.06

### Add & Manage Outside Accounts

See your account balances and recent activity from other institutions



Manage Outside Accounts

Date: March 2, 2026

Town of Osceola,

This report outlines the Royal Credit Union and ModernFI account balances for the Town of Osceola as of **March 1, 2026**, all figures reflect end-of-day balances. Total balances are **\$1,032,855.80**.

**Royal Credit Union Accounts**

**Deposit Accounts**

**\$175,233.86**

Savings (1)

\$25.07 (TRO: 1)

Checking (6)

\$175,208.79 (TRO: 6)

General	\$451.16
TRO PUBLIC ENTITY MONEY MARKET	\$451.16
Tax Receipts	\$79,684.69
TRO PUBLIC ENTITY MONEY MARKET	\$79,684.69
Dresser Traprock Assurance	\$15,946.64
TRO PUBLIC ENTITY MONEY MARKET	\$15,946.64
Public Works Capital	\$79,125.30
TRO PUBLIC ENTITY MONEY MARKET	\$79,125.30
Checking	\$0.00
TRO BUSINESS INSURED SWEEP ACCOUNT	\$0.00
Checking	\$1.00
TRO ROYAL ADVANTAGE CHECKING	\$1.00

**ModernFI Account**

Account Title	Allocation Amount	Receiving State	Receiving Institution Name
Town of Osceola	\$250,000.00	AK	Global CU
Town of Osceola	\$250,000.00	OR	Lewis & Clark Bank
Town of Osceola	\$250,000.00	TN	Orion Federal Credit Union
Town of Osceola	\$103,753.56	WI	Verve, a Credit Union
Town of Osceola	\$3,868.38	AZ	Pima Federal Credit Union
SUM		\$857,621.94	



## TOWN OF OSCEOLA Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual January through December 2026

	Jan - Dec 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Fines, Forfeits &amp; Penalties</b>				
Dog Pick-up Fees	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties - Other	200.00			
<b>Total Fines, Forfeits &amp; Penalties</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Licenses &amp; Permits</b>				
Driveway Permits	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
Liquor & Related Licenses	30.00	5,400.00	-5,370.00	0.6%
44145 · Dog Licenses	1,488.00	2,000.00	-512.00	74.4%
44300 · Building Permits & Fees	1,376.90	30,000.00	-28,623.10	4.6%
<b>Total Licenses &amp; Permits</b>	<b>2,894.90</b>	<b>37,700.00</b>	<b>-34,805.10</b>	<b>7.7%</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>				
48100 · Interest Income	13,535.94	30,000.00	-16,464.06	45.1%
48111 · Miscellaneous Income	0.00	550.00	-550.00	0.0%
48112 · Swing Mail Box Post	110.00			
<b>Total Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>13,645.94</b>	<b>30,550.00</b>	<b>-16,904.06</b>	<b>44.7%</b>
<b>Tax Collections</b>				
Forest Crop/MFL Taxes	0.00	5,218.00	-5,218.00	0.0%
Tax Collections - Other	3,844,111.26	871,340.00	2,972,771.26	441.2%
<b>Total Tax Collections</b>	<b>3,844,111.26</b>	<b>876,558.00</b>	<b>2,967,553.26</b>	<b>438.5%</b>
<b>Tax Collections - Other</b>				
41226 · Property Tax Settlement-Schools	-2,137,847.37			
41227 · Property Tax Settlement-VoTech	-30,589.83			
41228 · Property Tax Settlement-County	-1,036,306.46			
41229 · Tax Collection Overpayments	-11,495.69			
Tax Collections - Other - Other	-54,762.38			
<b>Total Tax Collections - Other</b>	<b>-3,271,001.73</b>			
41012 · Personal Property Aid	0.00	2,811.00	-2,811.00	0.0%
<b>41020 · Intergovernmental Revenue</b>				
41003 · County-Rural Fire Numbers	400.00	500.00	-100.00	80.0%
41004 · Fire Insurance Dues	0.00	24,000.00	-24,000.00	0.0%
41005 · Forest Crop/MFL Aid	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
41007 · Highway Aids	46,242.72	184,971.00	-138,728.28	25.0%
41008 · In Lieu of Tax - DNR Land	299.88	3,700.00	-3,400.12	8.1%
41009 · Municipal Services	103.09	110.00	-6.91	93.7%
41010 · State Shared Revenue	0.00	136,503.00	-136,503.00	0.0%
<b>Total 41020 · Intergovernmental Revenue</b>	<b>47,045.69</b>	<b>349,984.00</b>	<b>-302,938.31</b>	<b>13.4%</b>

## TOWN OF OSCEOLA Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual January through December 2026

	Jan - Dec 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
43430 · Exempt Computer Aid	0.00	62.00	-62.00	0.0%
450102 · Intergovernmental Charges	0.00	900.00	-900.00	0.0%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>636,896.06</b>	<b>1,298,765.00</b>	<b>-661,868.94</b>	<b>49.0%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>636,896.06</b>	<b>1,298,765.00</b>	<b>-661,868.94</b>	<b>49.0%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>Animal Warden</b>				
Animal Warden Wages	120.00	1,000.00	-880.00	12.0%
Mileage & Expenses	84.83	600.00	-515.17	14.1%
54904 · Dog License to County	0.00	700.00	-700.00	0.0%
<b>Total Animal Warden</b>	<b>204.83</b>	<b>2,300.00</b>	<b>-2,095.17</b>	<b>8.9%</b>
<b>Assessment of Property</b>				
Assessor's Contract	5,000.00	13,500.00	-8,500.00	37.0%
Publications	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
<b>Total Assessment of Property</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>13,700.00</b>	<b>-8,700.00</b>	<b>36.5%</b>
<b>Audit Services</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>7,100.00</b>	<b>-7,100.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Building Expenses</b>				
51611 · Electric Utilities	477.20	2,000.00	-1,522.80	23.9%
51612 · Gas Utilities	2,059.55	2,500.00	-440.45	82.4%
51613 · Water & Sewer Utilities	718.46	1,200.00	-481.54	59.9%
51614 · Sanitation Expenses	100.00	1,200.00	-1,100.00	8.3%
51616 · Telephone/Internet	449.97	3,200.00	-2,750.03	14.1%
51620 · Bldg Repairs & Maint	519.28	5,000.00	-4,480.72	10.4%
51621 · Insurance	0.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00	0.0%
51625 · Operating Supplies	123.97	300.00	-176.03	41.3%
<b>Total Building Expenses</b>	<b>4,448.43</b>	<b>17,200.00</b>	<b>-12,751.57</b>	<b>25.9%</b>
<b>Capital Equipment</b>				
Office Equipment	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Capital Equipment</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>-5,000.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Capital Improvement</b>				
Highway Cap Improve	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Capital Improvement</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>-5,000.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Clerk &amp; Treasurer</b>				
51410 · Clerk Wages	6,583.30	39,080.00	-32,496.70	16.8%
51411 · Treasurer Wages	5,204.23	26,391.00	-21,186.77	19.7%
51412 · Treasurer/Tax Collection	2,609.39	2,749.00	-139.61	94.9%
51413 · Retirement	473.99	2,814.00	-2,340.01	16.8%
51414 · Mileage & Expenses	0.00	450.00	-450.00	0.0%

## TOWN OF OSCEOLA

### Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

#### January through December 2026

	Jan - Dec 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
51422 · Employer Payroll Taxes	0.00	5,219.00	-5,219.00	0.0%
51425 · Office Supplies	402.27	4,000.00	-3,597.73	10.1%
51426 · Postage	326.10	3,000.00	-2,673.90	10.9%
51435 · Website & Computer Expenses	2,082.80	10,600.00	-8,517.20	19.6%
51444 · Insurance	0.00	3,597.00	-3,597.00	0.0%
51460 · Dues & Training	117.65	2,000.00	-1,882.35	5.9%
<b>Total Clerk &amp; Treasurer</b>	<b>17,799.73</b>	<b>99,900.00</b>	<b>-82,100.27</b>	<b>17.8%</b>
Consulting Fees	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
Elections				
Annual Machine Fees	2,148.35	3,500.00	-1,351.65	61.4%
Publications	0.00	750.00	-750.00	0.0%
Supplies	1,214.55	5,000.00	-3,785.45	24.3%
51442 · Wages	0.00	9,500.00	-9,500.00	0.0%
<b>Total Elections</b>	<b>3,362.90</b>	<b>18,750.00</b>	<b>-15,387.10</b>	<b>17.9%</b>
Gopher Bounty Expenses	450.00	3,500.00	-3,050.00	12.9%
Legal Fees				
Legal Fees Municode	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
Municipal Attorney Fees	3,040.00	8,500.00	-5,460.00	35.8%
51300 · Other Background Checks	7.00	300.00	-293.00	2.3%
Legal Fees - Other	656.00			
<b>Total Legal Fees</b>	<b>3,703.00</b>	<b>10,800.00</b>	<b>-7,097.00</b>	<b>34.3%</b>
Local Cemetary Funding	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
Park Expenses				
Park Expenses - Misc & Other	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Park Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>-5,000.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Planning Commission				
Computer/Emails	148.80	750.00	-601.20	19.8%
Dues & Fees	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Per Diems	0.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00	0.0%
51601 · Employer Payroll Taxes	0.00	137.00	-137.00	0.0%
<b>Total Planning Commission</b>	<b>148.80</b>	<b>2,787.00</b>	<b>-2,638.20</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
Public Safety				
Ambulance Contract (Osceola)	31,060.00	31,260.00	-200.00	99.4%
Ambulance Contract (St. Croix)	4,752.00	5,155.00	-403.00	92.2%
Fire Department Contract	0.00	149,279.00	-149,279.00	0.0%
Fire Dues to Department	0.00	24,000.00	-24,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Public Safety</b>	<b>35,812.00</b>	<b>209,694.00</b>	<b>-173,882.00</b>	<b>17.1%</b>

## TOWN OF OSCEOLA

### Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2026

	Jan - Dec 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Public Works</b>				
53235 · Highway Construction	31,696.98	478,731.00	-447,034.02	6.6%
53236 · Road Maintenance & Repair	21,959.78	35,000.00	-13,040.22	62.7%
53238 · Adopt-A-Town Road	0.00	120.00	-120.00	0.0%
53239 · Capital Highway Equipment	88,755.00	50,000.00	38,755.00	177.5%
53240 · Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	4,579.74	25,000.00	-20,420.26	18.3%
53241 · Fuel	6,829.62	20,000.00	-13,170.38	34.1%
53242 · Garage Expenses	1,221.18	5,000.00	-3,778.82	24.4%
53243 · PW Cell Phone	300.79	1,200.00	-899.21	25.1%
53244 · Insurance	0.00	14,000.00	-14,000.00	0.0%
53245 · Supervisor PW Wages	15,790.22	85,458.00	-69,667.78	18.5%
53246 · Supervisor PW OT Wages	1,164.86			
53247 · Full-Time PW Wages	12,664.92	72,012.00	-59,347.08	17.6%
53248 · Full Time PW OT Wages	567.28			
53249 · Part-Time PW Wages	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
53250 · Retirement	1,929.27	11,410.00	-9,480.73	16.9%
53252 · Employer Payroll Taxes	0.00	12,123.00	-12,123.00	0.0%
53253 · Short Term Disability	328.90	2,000.00	-1,671.10	16.4%
53260 · Dues & Training	130.00	1,400.00	-1,270.00	9.3%
<b>Total Public Works</b>	<b>187,918.54</b>	<b>814,454.00</b>	<b>-626,535.46</b>	<b>23.1%</b>
<b>Town Board</b>				
Board Salaries	5,000.04	20,000.00	-14,999.96	25.0%
Computer/Email	219.60	950.00	-730.40	23.1%
Dues & Training	10.00	3,000.00	-2,990.00	0.3%
Insurance	0.00	2,100.00	-2,100.00	0.0%
Office Supplies	70.47	500.00	-429.53	14.1%
Publications	511.50	1,500.00	-988.50	34.1%
51117 · Employer Payroll Taxes	0.00	1,530.00	-1,530.00	0.0%
<b>Total Town Board</b>	<b>5,811.61</b>	<b>29,580.00</b>	<b>-23,768.39</b>	<b>19.6%</b>
51800 · Payroll Expenses	3,977.05			
52400 · Building Inspection Expense	4,207.64	30,000.00	-25,792.36	14.0%
59998 · Reserve for Contingencies	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
59999 · Uncategorized Expenses	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>272,844.53</b>	<b>1,298,765.00</b>	<b>-1,025,920.47</b>	<b>21.0%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>364,051.53</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>364,051.53</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Building Permits - Planning Commission as of 2-28-26

Application Date	Name & Mailing Address	Address / Location of Building Permit/ Permit issued for	Permit Number
1/6/206	Nicholas O'Reilly 2396 84th Avenue Contractor:	2396 84th Avenue Finish Basement	TOS26-01
1/6/26	Joshua Cermin 1974 117th Avenue Contractor:	1974 117th Avenue Alteration - Solar Ground Mounted	TOS26-2
2/10/26	Debra Martinson 2187 88th Avenue Contractor	2187 88th Avenue Accessory Building	TOS26-3

## HIGHLIGHTS OF CLERK ACTIVITIES DONE THIS MONTH:

February:

TASKS			FURTHER COMMENTS
<b>Meetings</b>			February 2 Town Board of Supervisors February 12 Public Works Committee February 24 – PC Meeting Canceled
<b>Town’s Web Page (and Town Facebook site)</b>			Updates as needed
<b>Public Walk-in/calls/emails</b>			Various: dog tags, burn permits, taxes, building permit applications, voter registrations etc.
<b>Training</b>			WEC Election worker training webinar
<b>Elections</b>			Election worker training and scheduling for 2026 Elections Verified ballot and supply order with the County, ordered blank ballots for April and November
<b>Other</b>			Prepping for Annual meeting – contacted, Ambulance, SCV EMS, WWIA, DACS, Allied Fire. Sent out Nuisance letters and Animal Control invoices Updated Employee Handbook to reflect approved changes

## Emergency Generator Grant Info

**From:** Lisa McMahon <[lisa.mcmahon@polkcountywi.gov](mailto:lisa.mcmahon@polkcountywi.gov)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2026 8:53 AM

**To:** ChairLindh <[chairlindh@townofosceola.com](mailto:chairlindh@townofosceola.com)>

**Cc:** Clerk <[clerk@townofosceola.com](mailto:clerk@townofosceola.com)>

**Subject:** RE: emergency generator

Hi Dale, generators are the most sought-after item and grants in WI are rare. Unfortunately, Wisconsin has decided to spend most of their mitigation money on other things and do not prioritize generators. There are occasions where people have applied for mitigation funds for things like safe rooms and generators can be part of that package. These are pretty big projects and unless there's a disaster declared (such as in 2019) these funds are competitive. If you were building a new or remodeling the building to be tornado proof (and used as a public shelter) then you could try to apply for this type of grant.

That being said, there are government surplus generators that occasionally come available. They're free, you just have to pay for shipping or pick them up. (they can be anywhere in the US). PDs can go on the website to browse for these items and alert you when there's one available, you have to be quick and check regularly on the website. I can put you in touch with someone who grants access to the surplus stuff.

<https://wem.wi.gov/law-enforcement-support-office-leso-program/>

If you want to know more about the mitigation grants, that would be something we could chat with Chris from Regional Planning about... let me know!

Lisa

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# TOWN OF OSCEOLA

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## 2026 ROAD IMPROVEMENT REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Town of Osceola, Polk County is accepting bids for the road projects listed below.

<b>ASPHALT</b>	<b>Approx. Miles</b>	<b>Approx. Feet</b>	<b>Start &amp; End</b>
60th Ave.	1	2580	From Cty. M to 210th St.

<b>MICRO SEAL</b>	<b>Approx. Miles</b>	<b>Approx. Feet</b>
235th St., Dresser limit to 90th Av.	0.26	1372.8
91st Ave. - 248th St.,	0.17	897
89th Ave. - 248th St. - 249th St.	0.15	792
249th St. - 89th Ave. - 88th Ave.	0.15	792
83rd Ave. - 248th St. - End	0.13	686.4
82nd Ave. - 248th St. - End	0.17	897
247th St. - 83rd Ave. - 82nd Ave.	0.13	686.4
Education Ave. - 248th St. - Limit	0.44	2323.2
86th Ave. - Hwy 35-250th St.	0.04	211
250th St. - 86th Ave. -End	0.92	4857

<b>FOG SEAL</b>	<b>Approx. Miles</b>	<b>Approx. Feet</b>	<b>Start &amp; End</b>
90th Ave	2.83	14,942.40	Hwy 35 -210th St.
218th St.	1.5	7,920	Cty M to 60th Ave.
207th St.	0.92	4,857.60	210th St. to End
84th Ave	1.07	5,649.60	240th St to 233rd St.
233rd St	0.59	3,115.20	84th Ave to Oak

<b>Line Striping</b>	<b>Approx. Miles</b>	<b>Approx. Feet</b>	<b>Start &amp; End</b>
240th St.			Hwy 35 to Town Line
248th St.			Hwy 35 to Cty M
200th St.			90th Ave to Cty M
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2026 ROAD IMPROVEMENT BID  
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Osceola  
Sun  
Feb. 11 & 18  
also on Town  
website

# 2026 ROAD IMPROVEMENT REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Town of Osceola, Polk County is accepting bids for the road projects listed below.

ASPHALT	Approx. Miles	Approx. Feet	Start & End
60th Ave.	1	2580	From Cty. M to 210th St.
MICRO SEAL	Approx. Miles	Approx. Feet	
235th St., Dresser limit to 90th Av.	0.26	1372.8	
91st Ave. - 248th St.	0.17	897	
89th Ave. - 248th St. - 249th St.	0.15	792	
249th St. - 89th Ave. - 88th Ave.	0.15	792	
83rd Ave. - 248th St. - End	0.13	686.4	
82nd Ave. - 248th St. - End	0.17	897	
247th St. - 83rd Ave. - 82nd Ave.	0.13	686.4	
Education Ave. - 248th St. - Limit	0.44	2323.2	
86th Ave. - Hwy 35-250th St.	0.04	211	
250th St. - 86th Ave. - End	0.92	4857	
FOG SEAL	Approx. Miles	Approx. Feet	Start & End
90th Ave	2.83	14,942.40	Hwy 35 - 210th St.
218th St.	1.5	7,920	Cty M to 60th Ave.
207th St.	0.92	4,857.60	210th St. to End
84th Ave.	1.07	5,649.60	240th St to 233rd St.
233rd St	0.59	3,115.20	84th Ave to Oak
Line Striping	Approx. Miles	Approx. Feet	Start & End
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## **STATUS OF MAPLE LEAF DRIVE**

The west portion of Maple Leaf Drive is no longer maintained by the Town.

According to Polk County Town road maps show it is a private road. Because the road was being plowed and sanded previously, the Town is going to follow the precedent and resume plowing and sanding. Clerk Pratt reached out to Polk County to determine what the process is if the Town chooses to assume that road. The Town is waiting to hear back from the County Surveyor, Ed Flannum. Clerk Pratt will reach out to him this month.



## Nuisance Properties Update

I verified with the county the number of unregistered, unmaintained vehicles allowed - no more than one.

**2390 84<sup>th</sup> Ave** – Letter was sent on Jan. 28, certified mail. Abatement requested: removal of inoperable, unregistered vehicles - Clerk has not heard from the property owners

**789 Horse Lake Lane** – Letter was sent on Jan. 28, certified mail. Abatement requested: removal of inoperable, unregistered vehicles, and clean up of debris - Property owner contacted Clerk, will try to meet abatement requests.

**742 195<sup>th</sup> St** – Letter was sent on Jan. 29, certified mail. Abatement requested: removal of inoperable, unregistered vehicles, and clean up of debris.

Clerk has not hear from property owner, will follow up with Polk County regarding the Land Use Permit for the trailer.

Water skiing doesn't destroy pristine lakes, but...

# WAKESURFING? That's a whole new story!

The bow comes up and the stern goes down to increase the wake, so it's hard to see ahead.

3 to 4 foot high wakes are created so people can wakesurf, without a rope, like surfing in the ocean.

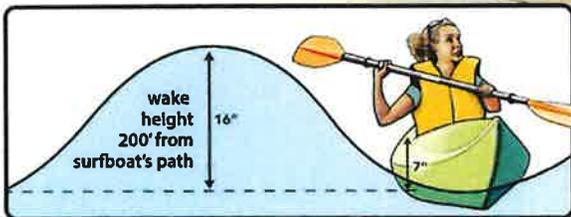
Algae blooms are fueled by nutrients freed from disturbed sediment. Some can kill fish and pets, and make people sick.

Fishermen have been knocked over, pontoons drenched, and small craft capsized by the massive wakes.

If fishermen, pleasure boaters, paddlers, and others can't enjoy our lakes, then tourism, property values and business income will plummet.

Loon nests are just inches above water in calm areas. Big wakes can destroy eggs.

Is the boating industry's 200 feet from shore rule enough?



- 16" = Height of wake 200' from wakesurf boat's path (per industry)
- 7" = Typical kayak freeboard
- 10" = Typical canoe freeboard
- 12" = Typical small fishing boat freeboard
- 9" = Height of waves, 25 mph wind, 30 minutes, 1 mile wide lake

Sediment is stirred up and plants are damaged 20 feet deep by the powerful motor and deep downward angled propeller.

Little fish live among the plants. Fewer plants means fewer little fish for big game fish to eat.

Loons, otter and many fish can't see prey in murky water.

Ballast tanks don't drain completely and can bring invasives from other lakes.

Invasive plants spread easily in damaged areas.

Spiny waterfleas can upset the entire ecosystem, resulting in fewer game fish and murky water.

As the wake enters shallow water, plants are damaged, sediment is churned, and fish eggs can be destroyed.

When the big wake crashes on shore it can cause erosion and damage docks and moored boats.

**How do they make those huge wakes?**

- Add ballast water, up to 5000 pounds (600 gallons)
- Operate at speeds that bring the bow up and stern down
- Use wake enhancing fins
- The wake is 6 to 12 times more powerful than ski boat wakes!

For More Information See: [LastWildernessAlliance.org](http://LastWildernessAlliance.org)  
Report dangerous boating at DNR's anonymous 24/7 hotline: 1-800-TIP-WDNR

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## “Wakesurfing? That’s a Whole New Story” (Additional Details and Sources for Infographic)

### How is wakesurfing different from water skiing?

- Water ski boats are designed and operated to make the smallest wake possible, to provide a smooth ski.
- Surf boats are designed and operated to make the largest wake possible, so someone can surf, like in the ocean.
- Skiers use a long rope and go ~25 mph. Surfers use rope only to start, then surf ~15 ft behind the boat at ~11 mph.

**How big are the wakes?** They can be 3 to 4 feet high or more where the surfer is [1]. As the wake moves toward shore it breaks, losing roughly half of its height and energy [2]. But because it started out so big, even after traveling 200’ toward shore the wake is still 16” high, vs 7” for the same boat operated in cruise/ski mode, based on the study paid for by the boating industry [2]. That study also shows that only the most exposed shores of the largest lakes experience wind waves as big as 16” waves from surfing 200’ away. A shore that overlooks 2 miles of open water (2-mile “fetch”) would have 16” waves only if the wind was at least 30 mph for 45 minutes, an extremely rare occurrence [3]. Most lakes never see such waves, but surf wakes impact even the most sheltered shores. The underwater energy in the surf wake moving toward shore also extends deeper, so it’s not only the shoreline being damaged; lakebed sediment and vegetation are churned and damaged. Fish and wildlife that nest in sheltered areas are suddenly exposed to powerful wave energy. Loon eggs can be toppled or chilled [11] and fish eggs are tossed or smothered with silt.

**What about the safety of other boaters?** Other boaters are blindsided by huge waves, still over a foot high from a surfboat that never came within a football field of them (300 ft) [2]. Fishermen are particularly vulnerable; they are often standing to cast, facing shore, anchored, unaware that a huge wake is about to hit the side of their boat. Even people in large boats who see the wake coming in time to turn into it have been tossed, injured, and soaked, and their boats damaged. Waves lose very little energy as they travel over deep water. Surfboat operators are often unaware that their wakes are still dangerous for others two football fields away; by the time the wake hits them the surf boat is far away. Unfortunately, the boating industry’s “Wake Responsibly” campaign is silent about protecting others [4].

### How do they make that huge wake?

- While surfing, the boat maintains “transition speed”, that inefficient bow-high plowing speed not quite “on plane”. This makes a much bigger wake than going faster, like a planing cruiser or ski boat.
- Surfboats have ballast tanks that fill with about 2000 to 5000 pounds or more of lake water to force the boat deeper in the water to further increase the wake. That’s like putting a car on top of the boat.
- Wedges and fins can be deployed to further increase and shape the wake.

**Why does the propeller wash extend so deep?** The propeller is angled about 30 degrees below horizontal (bow-high boat angle plus propeller shaft angle). A powerful 350-600 hp motor is used. The bow and stern waves also extend very deep as the heavy boat pushes water aside, then the water rebounds behind the boat. The impact is over 25’ deep, far deeper than for other activities on inland lakes [5]. Sediment and pollutants like phosphorus and mercury that remained harmlessly entombed in deep sediment for decades can be reintroduced into the water and food web. [10]

**Does the bow-high position impair forward visibility?** Check out photos and videos, even on manufacturers’ websites.

**How do ballast systems spread invasive species?** Ballast systems don’t drain completely, and several gallons of lake water can remain in the tanks, piping, pumps, etc. When ballast is filled and emptied in a different lake, that residual water and any invasives (zebra mussel larvae, spiny waterflea, bits of invasive plants, etc.) are transferred. Some invasives can survive many days because closed ballast systems don’t dry out [6]. They are often inaccessible, under the boat’s deck, so they cannot be inspected and are difficult and expensive to decontaminate, requiring lots of hot water and a trained operator. See a typical ballast system [7]. Manufacturers know they cannot be fully drained as evidenced by the fact that the owners’ manuals say to add several gallons of antifreeze in winter to prevent the residual water from freezing and causing damage [8]. **Failure to empty all ballast water when leaving a lake violates state law [9].**

[1] Per this video sponsored by Malibu, the wakes, where surfing, are 2’-5” to 4’-5” <https://www.guinnpartners.com/boat-testing/>

[2] Page iv and Table 7 of the 2015 study by Goudey and Girod, paid for by the Water Sports Industry Association, on their website. Data is for their deeper lake. For their shallow lake data, the boat was in water only 8’-10’ deep (p 2, 4) and shows interactions with the lakebed under the boat (p 18) and much greater friction with the lakebed as the wake moves toward shore (p iii, 14, 18 and 25). Surfers say they only surf in deeper water. [https://www.wsia.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/WSIA\\_draft\\_report\\_Rev\\_II.pdf](https://www.wsia.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/WSIA_draft_report_Rev_II.pdf)

[3] Fig 28 of [2] (2 typos: “1.2 s” is “1.25 ft” and “50 ft” is “1.50 ft” per rev. VDOT). Madison airport reports wind speeds hourly, more in storms. Only 4 measurements over 25 mph in all of 2023, only 1 over 30 mph, wunderground/history (gusts are less than 20 sec).

[4] See videos and posters at WSIA.net and WakeResponsibly.com

[5] See p 10 at <https://nlmddotorg.files.wordpress.com/2022/07/nlmd-phase-2-study-report-july-20-2022-with-appendices.pdf> and <https://conservancy.umn.edu/items/6a47c506-6be5-4c8a-9a96-dfea38f23b2f>

[6] See p 5 at <https://lmcd.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Residual-water-in-ballast-bags-study-WI.pdf>

[7] See p 4-7 at <https://nautique.blob.core.windows.net/boat-manuals/2023/2023-G-Series-Manual.pdf>

[8] Various manuals such as p 374 at [https://www.mastercraft.com/media/aizbwk5r/mastercraft\\_my2022\\_ownersmanual.pdf](https://www.mastercraft.com/media/aizbwk5r/mastercraft_my2022_ownersmanual.pdf)

[9] See Wisconsin Statutes NR 19.055 and NR 40.

[10] See [5], and [https://www.warrenct.gov/sites/p/files/vyhllf3991/f/uploads/lake\\_waramaug\\_final\\_report.pdf](https://www.warrenct.gov/sites/p/files/vyhllf3991/f/uploads/lake_waramaug_final_report.pdf)

[11] <https://maineaudubon.org/projects/loons/your-loon-questions-answered/>

Many more sources can be found at <https://mymlsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Fisheries-Report-37-Wake-Boat-Study-Official-Version-Released-on-7.28.2023.pdf>

# Annual Meeting Planning

April 21, 2026 6:30p.m. at the Town Hall

Invited: Osceola Ambulance, SCV EMS, Allied Fire and Emergency, DACS (Animal Control), West Wisconsin Inspection Agency (Town's Building Inspector), Plan Commission Chair.

All have replied, noting that they or a representative will be in attendance.

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**Resolution Amending the 2025 Budget  
Resolution 26-03-01**

**WHEREAS**, The Osceola Town Board adopted the 2026 budget on November 17, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the year-to-date- budget reports indicate that there are expense accounts that are currently over-budget, and revenue accounts that should be adjusted to reflect this financial report; and

**WHEREAS**, it is financially prudent to amend the 2026 budget accordingly.

**SO THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF OSCEOLA TO AMEND THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF THE 2026 BUDGET:**

- The Sum of (\$38,755.00) is hereby transferred from the Town’s Fund Balance to Public Works - Capital Highway Equipment \$38,755.00.

Adopted this 2nd day of March 2026, at the Town Board of Supervisors Regular Board Meeting.

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Dale Lindh, Chair

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Jon Cronick, Supervisor

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Lanette Johnson, Supervisor

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Lee Mortenson, Supervisor

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Webley Weingarten, Supervisor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dani Pratt, Clerk

\_\_\_ Voice Vote  
\_\_\_ Roll Call Vote  
\_\_\_ Yeas; \_\_\_ Nays; \_\_\_ Absent/Abstain