TOWN OF OSCEOLA

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES April 8, 2025

1. The meeting was **called to order** by Chairman Leininger at 6:30 pm; all stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Roll Call**: Terry Leininger (TL)-present, Dean Kranig (DK)-present, Doug Hodorff (DH)-present; Board members all present. Also present: Clerk Kay Wege (KW), Treasurer Danelle Rymarkiewicz (DR), one guest, and 27 residents.
3. **Proof of Posting**—Dins' Mini Mart, Town Hall, Waucousta Mini Mart, Town of Osceola Website
4. DK-motion to approve **Consent Agenda** listed below. Jim Walter spoke before a second to point out a mistake in March 11 minutes: Roberts Rules of Order require that a statement under Agenda Item #9. Roads be struck from the record: "Approval of Peniel Acres Brush Trimming Contract was last month; pay bill in April." The approval did not happen in February or March. Item must be redone on May Agenda. DK-withdrew original motion. DK-NEW motion to approve Consent Agenda Subpoints 4. A., B., & C. , the March 11 minutes now with correction of the striking of statement indicated above; DH-second. All in favor by voice vote; motion carried. March 11 Minutes will be corrected and posted as such.
   A. Minutes: March 11, 2025
   B. Treasurer's Report
   C. Expenses
5. **Announcements**: March Fire Report available-actually not yet; April 1—Spring Election Results are available in print—including new Osceola Town Board member Jay Miller replacing Doug Hodorff; Spring Road School (4/21-23 DK); Spring New & Continuing Officials Workshop—Wednesday, May 14 at Prairie Theater & Event Center, FdL; Jason Kenney—Asphalt Seal & Repair looking for an opportunity to bid for Dean Kranig; Update directories for FdL & WTA; Come to the **ANNUAL Meeting-Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 6:30 pm;** Capitol Days are free for all Board members April 30, 2025; Workman's Comp Review arrived but submitting last year's insurance to Rural Mutual for quote to be competitive.
6. **REPORTS**:
   A. **WTA 2025 District Meeting** (TL, DH, KW) Learned how Shared Revenue was connected to state taxes and that in the near future, the surplus will be depleted and expect checks to be less; All three attendees are now certified to conduct Board of Review for 2025: **Open Book=May 7 and Board of Review=May 22.**
   B. **Dundee Dam**—Request for Proposal for 500 Year Event Dam Failure Analysis (Due 3-8-26). DK will inquire of Cedar Core for help but Troy Kruzick suggests Town gets bids for work as can cost anywhere from $20-50,000 for analysis. Time is now to get a plan started. Troy will attempt to push back deadline of March 8, 2026 to have work completed. Troy also said 20 muskrats were trapped at the dam to protect it from these destructive creatures.
   C. **Dundee Mill Park**—Pat Brown: Mill Park meeting Wednesday, April 8 at Mill at 6pm; KW: Mill Park Annual Meeting is May 14 at 6 pm at the Mill. Please attend.
   D. **Emergency Managemen**t—Mike Sterr reported that this week is Tornado Awareness week, especially Thursday, April 10 at 1:45 and 6:45 pm when sirens will be tested. Mike encouraged folks to know where to seek shelter if a tornado is sighted, especially those living on the lake. Wisconsin's average is 23 tornados per year; in 2024 Wisconsin counted 40 of them, with 22 in May alone! Be alert; set phones or other electronic devices to alert as the Town has no sirens of its own at this time.
   E. **Law Enforcement**—No report
   F. **Permits—**Nothing new to report
   G. **Snowplowin**g—Hoping the season is over
   H. **Town Hall Maintenance**—KW will contact CFD to see if Smoke Detectors for the Hall are required; Fire Inspection (4-1-25) Report showed a number of items to "fix" in shop and office. Dave Kutz has already taken care of the Shop. Called Water Patrol about the office "fixes" and Terry will look over the security system wiring for a better solution. KW will notify CFD when "fixes" are completed.
7. **Unfinished Business**

A. Plan Commission Meeting—April 3:
   i. DH-motion to approve the rezone of Shepherd of the Hills' 15.012 acres from Rural Development to Residential District to Comply with Town Ordinance 3.7.6., as recommended by the Plan Commission, in order to construct a columbarium for members; DK-second. All in favor by voice vote; motion carried.
   ii. DH-motion to approve the rezoning of Mitchell Cemetery from Farmland Preservation to Residential District to Comply with Town Ordinance 3.7.6. as recommended by the Plan Commission; DK-second. All in favor by voice vote; motion carried. Process shall begin.

8. **New Business**:
   A. **CSM/Surveys**—None at this time
   B. **WTA Monthly Publication**—Not arrived yet
   C. DK-motion to approve **Class B Beer Only** License for Joseph Becker at Dundee Mountain BBQ & Brew House; DH-second. All in favor by voice vote; motion carried.
   D. **Wake Creation** on all Lakes in Township—TL has a tentative proposal to limit wake activity after reviewing 12 other communities' legislations on the topic. Next month Board will take action on a proposal that is enforceable after meeting with Chief Leach and new officer Eric Miller.
   E. DK-motion to approve **Dog Kennel License** for D. Lynne Luckow at Redline Kennels and Canine Training Center, LLC for 2025-2026; DH-second. All in favor by voice vote; motion carried. DR is working on an application for kennel licenses for approval next month. Many questions have been formulated.
   F. Dave Kutz has "fixed" **Fire Inspection** infractions in the Shop. TL will work on office along with the Water Patrol infractions. KW will notify Inspectors when all is complete before May 1, 2025.
9. **Roads:** 2025 ERIP workshop—to Cedar Core? TL spoke with Tom Janke, Highway Dept. about ERIP—Town needs to show the bid notice, minutes of meetings and receipts of work completed and paid. DK will also request letter from NEA on work done. DK-noted Vista needs some tree work as branches hang over Road Right of Way—spoke with JTS about job: JTS stated $3500 max or time and materials. DK-Nichols and Lichentsteiger subdivision road repair was not done correctly with base, now requiring attention. For future work, a Board member supervises so that roads are completed as standard Class 1 or 2. Jim Walter—spoke with Town Lawyer about Mercury Lane and suggested Town have Mercury Lane dedicated since Town would need to survey, whether dedicating or abandoning. Town may determine how many rods length and keep it gravel with a 120 foot diameter cul de sac at the end. Travis Campagna will attempt to convince land owners to allow the Town the land needed for the cul de sac. Culverts from Shepherd of the Hills property run water into this area rather than into the retention pond and this needs to be remedied.
10. **Citizens' Comments:** 1) Harold Gloede, Bob Peachy, & Amy Rauls-Peachy—Request the Board review a yard in Glacial Estates which is an eye-sore. Board will review Health & Safety concerns with the homeowner. 2) Mike Sterr pointed out overgrown brush in Road Right of Way on Kettle Moraine Lane across from the Tiki Bar. 3) Wally Seibel-Should Town develop a "Junk" ordinance. 4) Ken Abhold gave the Board a map and more information about Wake creation on Long Lake for consideration. 5) Jim Walter—stated that Auburn attempted a "junk" ordinance but were denied by County as only Health & Safety issues can regulate a property's "décor." If property is within 1,000 feet of Long Lake, it falls under Shoreland Zoning. Jim Waler—independent contractors must submit to the Town a certificate of liability insurance and a contract with start and end dates.
11. **Next Month:** KW recapped Board duties: DK & TL speak with Cedar Core about Dam analysis, TL-1) Check with CFD about security system wiring placement, 2) Meet with Chief Leach & Deputy Miller about Wake issues, 3) Check video of Northview for road damage when substation was worked on, 4) Check with County about junk yards. DK-Discuss tree work on Vista with JTS; Get letter of work completed and paid from NEA. Also on Agenda for May is Kennel application information and enforceability.
12. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Submitted by: Kay Wege