

TOWN OF SCHLEY ANNUAL MEETING

State of Wisconsin...Town of Schley Lincoln County

The Town Board of the Town of Schley provides its written notice and an agenda of the public meeting of said Town on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at the SCHLEY TOWN HALL at 6:00 P.M. The public may provide comments of the Town Board if public comments are noted on the Agenda and upon recognition by presiding officer.

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call
4. Verification of public notice by Town Board
5. Approval of last year's Annual Meeting minutes
6. Financial Report
7. Specific matters for discussion & possible action by Town Board
 - a. Town Spring Clean-Up
 - b. Town Hall Parking Lot and Landscaping
 - c. Road Maintenance Plan
 - d. Town of Russell Fire Department Report
 - e. First Responders Update
 - f. Open Book & Board of Review Dates
 - g. Town Maintenance Workers' Wages
 - h. Building Inspector Updates – Rich Grefe
 - i. Planning Commission Report
 - j. Set Time/Date for Next Year's Meeting (3rd Tuesday of April 2026)
8. Members of a sub-committee of the Town of Schley may attend Town Board meeting to present information gathered regarding subject for which sub-committee may report on their unit.
9. Discussion of possible action and agenda for upcoming Town Board meeting.
10. Adjournment

Meeting notice posted in two (2) bulletin boxes...Town Hall...Z's Fork Horners ...
www.TownofSchley.com

Date: March 31, 2025

Designee: Becky Dallman
Becky Dallman, Clerk (715-571-1262)

Contact information:

Chairman, Tim Klimek (715-921-2543)
Treasurer, Susan Podeweltz (715-536-3756)

Supervisor, Craig Brown (715-966-0067)
Supervisor, Mark Leopold (715-921-6590)

Annual Meeting
April 16, 2024

Town of Schley Annual Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2024

Town Chairperson Klimek called the Annual meeting of the Town of Schley to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Schley Town Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call: Klimek, Brown, Plamann, Podeweltz, Dallman

Verification of posting of meeting notices by Town Board.

Attendees read the minutes from the April 18, 2023 Annual meeting. Craig Brown motioned to accept the minutes, 2nd by Earl Welker. All ayes. Motion carried.

Financial report reviewed. There were no questions. Diana Petruzates motioned to accept the report, 2nd by Sandy McCrory. All ayes. Motion carried.

Gerald Plamann stated that the Town spring clean-up is scheduled for 5/4/2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Flyers are being handed out on recycling Saturdays. Recommendation made by Christina Vorpagel to notify WJMT of the Spring clean up; Dallman will look into this. Ads will be in the Foto News the next 2 weeks.

Tim Klimek stated there is a Special Town Board meeting on April 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. to review and select winning bids for the demolition of the existing Town Hall, site prep for the new Town Hall, and construction of the new Town Hall.

Klimek stated that sealed bids are being accepted for 2,300 yards of gravel for approximately 1 ½ miles on Schielke Road through the LRIP funding program. The bids will be opened at the 5/13/2024 Town Board meeting. Town Board will be seeking additional bids for 1,700-2,000 yds of gravel for other Town roads, more information on this will be forthcoming. Culvert replacements will be done on Town Hall and Robinson Roads. Town Hall Road is being spray patched by the County Highway Department. If funds are available, gravel shoulder work will be done on Town Hall Road. Road signs will be replaced. Culvert inventory will be done by the Town Board and sent to the State.

Annual report overview for Town of Russell Fire Department was given by Tim Klimek. There were 63 calls for service in 2023. The Fire Department has worked closely with neighboring departments to establish a better Mutual Aid System. The Fire Department has 96% of their volunteers fully qualified for all aspects of firefighting. If any residents are interested in becoming a member, contact Chief Kressel.

Heather Klimek provided the First Responders report. There were 265 calls, 58 were from the Town of Schley. Donation dollars were used to for an Elk Lifting Cushion, oxygen bags, AED batteries, pagers, and medical supplies. Monetary donations can be sent to the Town of Russell First Responders, P.O. Box 165, Gleason, WI 54435.

2024 TOWN OF SCHLEY FINANCIAL REPORT

Summary of Expenditures & Receipts

2023 Year End Balances:

2023 Public Money Market	\$400,009.51
2023 Checking Acct.	\$2,594.33
2023 Occupancy Bond Acct.	\$13,952.26
2023 Special Projects Acct.	\$96,833.55
Total	<u>\$513,389.65</u>

2024 Balance Forward:	\$513,389.65
2024 Checking Acct. Interest	\$20.37
2024 Occupancy Bond Acct. Interest	\$1.45
2024 Public Money Market Interest	\$237.18
2024 Special Projects Acct. Interest	\$156.14
2024 Public Money Market for Building Fund Interest	\$6,709.02
2024 Treasurer's Receipts	\$1,353,354.85
2024 Construction Loan	<u>\$350,000.00</u>
	\$2,223,868.66

Total Receipts:	\$2,223,868.66
Less Expenditures:	\$1,309,259.60 see Note 1
Outstanding check from 2024 - #5983	\$24.00
2024 Year End Balance	<u>\$914,633.06</u>
Year End Adjustment	(\$0.10) see Note 2
Total	<u>\$914,632.96</u>

2024 Year End Balances:

2024 Public Money Mrkt	\$629,419.60
2024 Checking Acct.	\$7,026.47
2024 Savings/Occupancy Bond Acct.	\$15,768.04
2024 Special Projects Acct.	\$10,009.69
2024 Public Money Market for Building Fund	<u>\$252,409.16</u>
Total	\$914,632.96

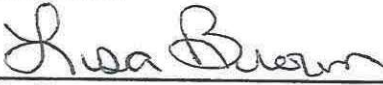
Note 1 - \$1,309,259.60 - 2024 expenses per Checks Written report

Note 2 - check #5784 issued for \$542.40 on 5/13/2024; cashed for \$542.50

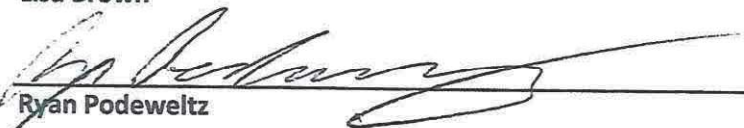
AUDIT COMPLETED BY:


Debra Robl

2-19-25
Date


Lisa Brown

2-19-25
Date


Ryan Podeweltz

2-19-2025
Date

Town of Schley
Account QuickReport
August 2024 through Present

	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
130-57140 Buildings Outlay	08/12/2024	5968	MAVO SYSTEMS WI LLC	ASBESTOS REMOVAL	2,595.00
	09/09/2024	5956	BRUNNER WELL DRILLING LLC	NEW WELL	6,640.00
	10/14/2024	5902	Wisc Public Service	RUN ELECTRICAL	1,816.80
	10/14/2024	5925	J & J LEE CONSTRUCTION	KRUEGER PLUMBING \$21,639.76; MODERN BUILDERS \$34,126.04; IN THE LITE \$19,002.00; MORGAN CONCRETE...	129,602.00
	11/11/2024	5950	ARTHUR MERGET PAINTING	NEW TOWN HALL FLOORING	4,360.00
	11/11/2024	5952	J & J LEE CONSTRUCTION	\$3024.94 Modern Builders; In the Lite \$1795.61; L&W Supply \$3425.17; labor/mat. \$24,215.08	32,461.00
	11/11/2024	5953	J & J LEE CONSTRUCTION	In the Lite \$7195.19	7,195.19
	11/21/2024	5954	ARTHUR MERGET PAINTING	COMPLETION OF EPOXY FLOORING	4,360.00
	12/09/2024	5979	BP SEAMLESS GUTTERS	GUTTERS	1,350.00
	12/09/2024	5980	KRUEGER PLUMBING LLC	DECOMMISSION OLD WELL	1,899.87
Total 130-57140 Buildings Outlay					191,279.86
TOTAL					\$191,279.86
130-57140 Buildings Outlay	02/10/2025	6044	J & J LEE CONSTRUCTION	\$8,677.43 materials; In the Lite \$1,316.78; Podeweltz \$15,316.00; Krueger Plumbing \$9,717.66; Ia...	63,081.00
			WOLLER EXCAVATING	OLD TOWN HALL DEMOLITION, SITE PREP - PER BID	28,211.91
			J & J LEE CONSTRUCTION	BRICK WORK - PER ESTIMATE	2,000.00
					84,292.91
Total 130-57140 Buildings Outlay					\$84,292.91
TOTAL					\$275,572.77
					96,609.08
					979.00
					\$177,984.69

ATTENTION: TOWN OF SCHLEY

The Town is sponsoring a "CLEAN-UP DAY"

Saturday - May 10, 2025 - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Bring your old appliances and recyclables as listed below to the Schley Town Hall. You must be a Town of Schley resident. The Town will pay half of the regular fee for you.

Items taken for free:

Grills (charcoal or gas)

Humidifiers

Lawn mowers

Microwaves

Patio furniture (metal)

Dryers

Stoves (electric or gas)

Washers

Monitors

Computers

Batteries

Bed frames (metal)

Hot water heaters

Dish washers (steel tub)

Farm Equipment

Farm equipment

Fuel oil tanks

Items with charges:

Junk tires \$6.00 each

TVs \$10.00

Tires on aluminim/steel rims \$6.00 each

Air conditioners \$20.00

Dehumidifiers \$20.00

Freezers (chest or upright) \$30.00

Refrigerators (electric or gas) \$30.00

Items not taken:

Tractor/large truck tires

Drain, fuel, & hydraulic oils

Paint

Remember to Recycle

Becky Dallman, Clerk

Town of Russell Fire Department

P.O.Box 156
Gleason, WI 54435

2024 Annual Report

In 2024 the Town of Russell Fire Department responded to 50 calls. That is about four calls a month, plus one meeting, and one training per month. Fischers Bar in Parrish hosted a fundraiser in June on behalf of the department and we also had our annual Open House in October. In addition to these commitments, there is truck maintenance that needs to be done, bills to be paid, minutes to be typed, and reports to filed. We continue to ask a lot of our dedicated members.

Recruiting and maintaining committed members is always difficult. As noted above, this is a large commitment for someone to volunteer their time to. That is why it was so nice in 2024 when we added a new generation to the department. Gunnar Kressel, son of Chief Robert Kressel and Jerzie Rusch, daughter of Captain Marcel Rusch and Treasurer Jamie Rusch, joined the department. It is wonderful seeing a new generation of firefighters learning the skills and making the same commitment to keeping our community safe that their parents did.

Funding is always a challenge and as a department we understand the township budgets can be as thin as our own. This is why we do fundraisers throughout the year to help relieve some of that financial burden from the communities we serve. Another avenue for funding is grants. Each year we apply for and have been successful in getting a grant through the DNR for some protective equipment and things like backpack cans that we use on grass fires. In 2024 the fire departments of Lincoln County banded together and applied for a grant from the Bierman Family Foundation to replace each department's radios. The grant was approved and our department received 25 fire service quality handheld radios. Each member was issued a radio to use on calls. This communication upgrade brings more efficiency and safety to our fire scenes. Our next major equipment upgrade will be our air packs and self contained breathing apparatuses (SCBAs). We expect this purchase to cost over \$100K and are looking into grants and alternative funding for that purchase as well.

While we serve a large geographic area, it is evident what a close-knit community we serve. Thank you all for your continued support of the fire department. We look forward to continuing to serve you with excellence.

Fire Calls 2024

Accidents (Car or UTV)	11	Structure Fire	5
Alarm	2	Tree on Powerline	9
Carbon Monoxide/Gas Leak	3	Vehicle Fire	1
Grass Fire	4		
Mutual Aid	10	Total Calls	50
Outside Fire (Controlled, Garbage, Etc)	4		
Search and Rescue	1		



Town of Russell First Responders

P.O. Box 165 Gleason, Wisconsin 54435
townofrussellemr@gmail.com

2024 Annual Report

Dear Town,

April 13, 2025

The Town of Russell First Responders had another blessed year in 2024.

We responded to 228 emergency calls within 7 towns and 2 counties within a total of 296 square miles of coverage area for the calendar year 2024. This is an increase of 2 calls from 2023.

We continue to serve the communities of the Town of Birch, Town of Harrison, Town of Russell and Town of Schley in Lincoln County as well as the Town of Parrish, Town of Summit and Town of Vilas in Langlade County. We continue to serve Merrill Ambulance Service (Lincoln County), Tomahawk Ambulance Service (Lincoln County), Antigo Ambulance Service (Langlade County), Oneida County Ambulance Service (Langlade County) and Rhinelander Ambulance Service (Langlade County) for all medical emergency calls we are called to. We also serve the Town of Russell Fire Department, Tomahawk Fire Department and Town of Peck Fire Department for structure and other fire related standbys if called. The Fire Department standbys are to have medical responders on scene in the event of any medical emergency that could arise with Fireman or other persons on scene. We serve the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, Oneida County Sheriff's Department and Langlade County Sheriff's Department for requested standby's and search and rescue operations. We also do medical standbys at the Gleason Community Club winter Snowmobile and ATV Races in Gleason.

Town of Russell First Responders remains a not for profit, 100% volunteer organization, owned by the Town of Russell. Dedicated members donate several hundreds of hours each year for emergency calls, training and monthly meetings, not to mention all the out of pocket costs for fuel and personal vehicle expenses to help save lives in your community. We do it because we're committed to help people in our communities.

As of current, we have 8 members, 7 of which are licensed Emergency Medical Responders.

Donations from each town we serve, as well as other donations, enables your first responder organization to have updated equipment, supplies and medications to function in the capacity we do now.

Living in a recreational and retirement community, we anticipate our call volume to remain close to the same for the calendar year of 2025.

In order to comply with Wisconsin State Laws, we continue the process of replacing many of our medical supplies as they do expire if not used by the expiration date. It is a very wasteful world we live in with short expiration dates on many of our medical supplies. Some of our expired supplies are used for training.

We continuously look for ways to improve our service to you as towns, citizens and visitors of our community. In 2025 we will possibly be advancing our service from an EMR Service to EMT Service. We will also be eligible for some grant opportunities in 2025 that we weren't eligible for in the past. We will be discussing a Lucas CPR Device (over \$10K) or a Life Pak 12 Lead Defibrillator (over \$12K) as a possible grant purchase.

The Town of Russell First Responders would like to thank each Town, Law Enforcement Department, Fire Department, Ambulance Service, Club, Organization, Association, Church, Business and especially you the individual we serve, for your past, present and future support!

Sincerely,

Town of Russell First Responders

Phone: 715-218-2585

Email: townofrussellemr@gmail.com

TOWN OF RUSSELL FIRST RESPONDERS

ANNUAL REPORT 2024

Balance 1-1-2024

Large Checking	\$	1,716.74
Small Checking	\$	469.62
<u>Total:</u>	\$	2,186.36

<u>Credits</u>	\$	23,837.24
<u>Debits</u>	\$	12,566.99
End Balance	\$	13,466.61 **

Ending Balance 12-31-2024

Large Checking	\$	13,038.45
Small Checking	\$	428.16
<u>Total:</u>	\$	13,466.61 **

Income

Townships	\$	16,674.00
Donations	\$	2,586.00
Sale of Ambulance	\$	4,500.00
Miscellaneous	\$	77.24
<u>Total:</u>	\$	19,260.00

Expenses

Phone	\$	91.82
Med Supply	\$	5,995.21
Insurance	\$	2,784.00
Air Gas	\$	592.63
Training	\$	400.00
Misc.	\$	2,693.33
<u>Total:</u>	\$	12,556.99

Town of Russell First Responders Roster

PO Box 165
Gleason, WI 54435
townofrussellemr@gmail.com

Revised Date: 01/31/2025

Name	Position	Radio	Call No.	Cell Number	Email Address	Town			
						Residence	License	Hall	Lights
						Township	Number	Key	Siren
Tim Steinfest	Chief- EMR	RFR1	715-218-2585		townofrussellemr@gmail.com	Russell	70111309	Yes	Yes
Courtenay King	Asst. Chief- EMR	RFR4	920-615-7221		courtenay.king04@gmail.com	Russell	265216-30	Yes	Lights
Laverne Showalter	Captain-Training	RFR16	715-218-9394		laverneshowalter5@gmail.com	Russell	70121950	Yes	Yes
Edwin Zimmerman	Lieutenant-Equip	RFR18	715-937-1429		edizimmerman05@gmail.com	Russell	70121945	Yes	Yes
Michelle Last	Secretary-EMR	RFR6	715-921-9785		picsbyselle@aol.com	Schley	70111396	Yes	Lights
Lindell Showalter	EMR	RFR10	715-218-9577		lindelshowalter@gmail.com	Russell	70121927	Yes	Yes
Andrew Headings	Treasurer- EMR	RFR12	715-921-4911		andrewandbiggin@gmail.com	Russell	70111428	Yes	Yes
Keith Stoney	Radios/Pagers	RFR24	715-218-1133		W9QJQ@yahoo.com	Russell	NMM	No	No

NMM= Non Medical Member
EMT= Emergency Medical Technician
EMR= Emergency Medical Responder
RFR= Russell First Responder

(Members with "Not Issued", "Pending", "Training" or "NMM" under License Number, are NOT allowed to perform any medical procedures on patients)

Town of Schley Plan Commission 2025 Annual meeting Report

Review of the year 2024 on April 17th, 2025

A) Reviewed following

- 10 Meeting held, 2 meetings cancelled
- 15 Land Use Applications
- 2 Town Ordinances updated
- 3 Land divisions
- 19 recommendations made to the Town board

B) Land Use Applications resulted in Following

- 3 New Homes
- 6 New Garages
- 5 Storage Buildings
- 1 Farm Buildings
- 2 Decks
- 1 Addition
- 3 Sheds
- 1 Green House
- 1 Roof Solar
- 2 Porches
- 1 Town Hall

(C) Misc. Items

- 1) Attended meetings with Land Services Committee and meetings at zoning office in support of various Town resolutions.
- 2) Attended seven Lincoln County Broadband Committee meeting and one Broadband seminar presented by the State UW Extension System