

2014 Annual Report

Annual Meeting of the Electors of the Town of Omro

**Compiled by: Beverly A. Searvogel, Clerk
Tuesday, April 14, 2015 7 p.m.**



Powers that may be exercised and that are binding on the Town are set forth in Section 60.10 of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

Three categories of Town Meeting Action are authorized according to the Statutes:

- (1) The Town Meeting may exercise some powers directly.
- (2) The Town Meeting may grant the Town Board authority to act on some things.
- (3) The Town Meeting may authorize the appropriation of funds for specific purposes.

Actions on other matters are advisory, only.

2014 Town of Omro Positions

Elected Officials:

Board of Supervisors Chairman	Brian Noe
Supervisor	Allen Knurr
Supervisor	Charles Whittaker

Appointed Positions: (Appointed by the Town Board of Supervisors)

Animal Control Officer	Sue Mullins
Animal Control Substitute	Open position
Clerk	Beverly A. Searvogel
Dog Lister	Paula Beulen
Private Road Liaisons	Allen Knurr & Charles Whittaker
Public Road Supervisor	Douglas Gunz
Recycling Coordinator	Brian Noe
Treasurer	Paula Beulen
Weed Commissioner	Allen Knurr

Planning Commission:

Planning Commission Chair	Thomas Tuschl
Commissioner	Glenn Anklam
Commissioner	Douglas Gunz
Commissioner	Barbara Meyers
Commissioner	Brian Noe
Commissioner	Wayne Schmick
Commissioner	Barbara Stanek
Recording Secretary	Margaret Krause

Parks & Recreation Committee:

Chairperson	Barbara Stanek
Member	Barbara Meyers
Member	Chris Musha

Elections:

Chief Inspector	Paula Beulen
Chief Inspector	Adele Hallstrand
Election Inspector	Elaine Coll
Election Inspector	Gary Coll
Election Inspector	Luann DeVos
Election Inspector	Sherri Getchel
Election Inspector	John Haddock
Election Inspector	Carol Koss
Election Inspector	William Roeder
Election Inspector	Janice Roeder
Election Inspector	Joann Sipple
Election Inspector	Thomas Tuschl
Election Inspector	Phyllis Williams

Audit Committee	Sandra Remer
Audit Committee	Joann Sipple
Audit Committee	Thomas Tuschl

Hired Positions: (Hired by the Town Board of Supervisors)

Assessor	Nathan Marcks – Bowmar Appraisal, Inc.
Attorney	Karen L. Marone
Certified Building Inspector	Martin Johnson
Computer Technician	Christopher Jones
Custodians	Luann DeVos/Jack Eller
Engineer	Jon Lindert – Strand Associates, Inc.
Goggins Cemetery Lawn	Christopher Shea & Joshua Silverthorn
Town Hall Lawn Care	Luann DeVos & Jack Eller
Recycling/Solid Waste Attendant	Jeff Meyers
Recycling/Solid Waste Head Attendant	Jeff Meyers

Outstanding Debt:

Loan Source/Purpose	Principal Balance As of 1/01/13	Principal Payment	Interest	Principal Balance Due
General Obligation Promissory Note-City of Omro **Pierce Fire Truck**	\$22,938.00	\$22,062.00	\$876.00	\$-0-
Board of Commissioners of Public Lands **Wet Detention Basin**	\$42,030.69	\$1,780.78	\$2,263.06	\$40,249.91

Account Balances

Parkland Dedication Account

Beginning Balance 1/1/14	Parkland Donations	Interest Earned/Withdrawals	Ending Balance 12/31/14
\$84,028.08	\$19,350.00	\$169.38/\$50,000	\$53,547.45

Private Road Account Summary

Beginning Balance 1/1/14	\$82,373.30
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$174.00
2013 Levy	\$17,596.00
Barony Assessment	\$286,092.62
Less Disbursements**	\$292,614.96
Ending Balance 12/31/14	\$93,620.96

Tax Collection Account

<u>Beginning Balance</u> <u>1/1/14</u>	\$1,533,099.16	<u>Disbursement Summary</u>	
<i>Interest Earned</i>	92.47	Transfers to Tax Checking	\$3,415,285.33
<i>Property Tax Deposits</i>	3,242,313.77		
<i>Soda Can Recycling</i>	451.25		
<i>Dog Licenses</i>	645.00		
Total Deposits	\$3,243,502.51	Total Disbursements	\$3,415,285.33
Balance	\$4,776,601.67		
Less Disbursements	\$3,415,285.33		
Ending Balance 12/31/14	\$1,361,316.34		

Tax Checking Account

Beg. Bal. – 1/1/14	2014 Deposits	2014 Interest	2014 Disbursements	Ending Bal. 12/31/14
\$201.68	\$3,561,823.84	\$16.71	\$3,561,853.41	\$188.82

Disbursement Summary

FVTC Tax Settlement	\$258,664.22	Overpayment Refunds to Taxpayers	\$12,262.64
Town of Omro Tax Settlement	\$333,866.16	PILT-State Portion & DNR	\$11,513.14
Winnebago County Tax Settlement	\$813,488.57	Interest Transfer	\$29.57
Winneconne School District Tax Settlement	\$1,741.82		
Omro School District Tax Settlement	\$1,273,084.87		
Sanitary District #1 Tax Settlement	\$551,889.55		
Private Road Tax Settlement	\$17,596.00		
Dog Settlement	\$1,624.25	Total Disbursements	\$3,561,853.41
Barony Road Project	\$286,092.62		

General Account Summary

Beginning Balance – 1/1/14

\$ 26,757.78

REVENUE:

Taxes:

Real Estate Tax Levy	\$ 333,866.16	
Managed Forest Lands	24.40	
Personal Property Tax	335.66	
Delinquent Personal Property Tax	<u>2,221.12</u>	
		\$ 336,447.34

Intergovernmental Revenue:

State Shared Revenue	\$ 21,142.17	
Fire Insurance Dues	7,762.85	
Local Transportation Aid	84,468.28	
Lottery & Gaming Credit	7,195.33	
State Recycling Grant	3,271.84	
Winnebago County Recycle Rebate	742.54	
PILT-Computer Aid	53.00	
PILT	<u>1,104.11</u>	
		\$ 125,740.12

Licenses & Permits:

Liquor	\$900.00	
Operator & Cigarette	133.00	
Dog	1,548.35	
Fireworks & Burning Permits	770.00	
Cable & Haulers Permits	7,879.40	
Erosion Control	1,365.00	
Raze Permit	20.00	
Building & Inspection	20,282.85	
CSM Reviews	<u>2,500.00</u>	
		\$ 35,398.60

Public Charges for Services:

Culverts	\$ 2,800.00	
Title Searches	<u>1,260.00</u>	
		\$ 4,060.00

Miscellaneous Revenue:

Interest Earned	\$ 407.01	
Town Hall Rental	600.00	
Algoma Sanitary District – Tax Overpayment Refund	1,769.51	
Wisconsin Department of Revenue – Env. Imp. Prog.	565.86	
Insurance Refund	345.00	
Private Road Maintenance Reimbursement	13,448.28	
Project Reimbursement	212,977.90	
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>275.26</u>	
		\$230,388.82

TOTAL REVENUE FOR 2014

\$ 732,034.88

EXPENDITURES:

General Government:

Legislative	\$ 1,184.46	
Assessor Contract	9,900.00	
Board Salaries	14,266.74	
Board Expenses	277.71	
Legal	16,461.67	
General Administrative	5,089.73	
Clerk Salary	25,141.01	
Clerk Expenses	1,907.71	
Elections	3,139.42	
Treasurer Salary	10,736.02	
Treasurer Expenses	1,109.06	
Town Hall Expenses	7,873.69	
Insurance	<u>5,268.00</u>	\$ 102,355.22

Public Safety:

Animal Control Officer	\$ 661.33	
Fire Protection	53,486.60	
Building Inspection	13,043.85	
Ambulance Contract	<u>6,594.06</u>	\$ 73,785.84

Public Works:

Barony Project	\$ 193,367.87	
Highway Maintenance	\$ 213,241.43	
Road Inspector Salary/Expenses	944.80	
Snowplowing	10,721.58	
Private Roads Maintenance	13,699.41	
Street Lighting	1,481.59	
Sanitation – Solid Waste	42,575.21	
Sanitation – Recycling	<u>15,105.45</u>	\$ 491,137.34

Health & Human Services:

Cemetery	\$ 3,670.00	\$ 3,670.00
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Conservation & Development:

Parkland Appraisal	\$ 2,500.00	
Parks	847.75	
Planning Commission	4,525.69	
Erosion Control Permits	1,070.00	
Engineering	33,095.68	
Building & Lot Grade Refund	<u>9,000.00</u>	\$ 51,039.12

Debt Service:

Pierce Fire Truck Principal & Interest	\$ 22,938.00	
Stormwater Basin Principal & Interest	<u>4,043.84</u>	\$ 26,105.84

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR 2013
ENDING BALANCE IN GENERAL ACCOUNT 12/31/13

\$ 748,969.36
\$ 9,823.30



CITY/TOWN OF OMRO
– RUSHFORD –
FIRE DISTRICT REPORT

Date: February 11, 2015

To: Joint Fire Board

From: Jay Treleven, Fire Chief

The following is the current Omro Rushford Fire Department membership roster:

Angell, Sean FF/FR/Lieutenant -City of Omro
 Bartel, Jon FF-City of Omro
 Bartels, Jim A/R FF-City of Omro
 Beulen, Kevin FF/FR/1st Resp. Chair-City of Omro
 Braasch, Jim FF-City of Omro
 Carpenter, Dan FF/Trustee-Town of Rushford
 Carpenter, Ed FF/2nd Deputy Chief-City of Omro
 Carpenter, Mike FF/Captain-Town of Rushford
 Carpenter, Ron FF/Assistant Chief-City of Omro
 Crotz, Tony FF-Town of Omro
 Davis-Foust, Shannon FF-City of Omro
 Derleth, Rebecca FR-City of Omro
 Devlin, Mark FF/Lieutenant-Town of Omro
 Dietzen, Russ FF/FR/ 1st Resp. Secretary-Town of Omro
 Domke, Jesse FF-Town of Rushford
 Domske, Jerry FF-Town of Omro
 Domske, Jim FF-Town of Omro
 Egan, Greg FF-Town of Rushford
 Gaetzke, Jeff FF-City of Omro
 Henke, Gary FF-City of Omro
 Henry, Brian FF/Captain-City of Omro
 Hintz, Lewis A/R FF-Town of Rushford
 Jackson, Greg FF-Town of Poygan
 Jackson, Tim FF/Trustee-Town of Rushford
 Jackson, Tom FF/Captain -Town of Rushford
 Joss, Eric A/R FF-City of Omro
 Kempf, Jim A/R FF-City of Omro
 Kettlewell, Sarah FF/Sec.Treas-Town of Omro
 Kleinschmidt, Russ FF/FR-Town of Omro
 Kolodzick, Darin FF/FR-City of Omro
 Laatsch, Debbie FR/1st Resp Training Officer-Town of Omro
 Litton, Bryon FF/1st Deputy Chief-City of Omro
 Litton, Kevin FF-Town of Rushford
 Lonning, Paul FF-City of Omro
 Luebke, Steve FR-City of Omro
 Martin, Dave FF-City of Omro
 Parnell, Phil FR-Town of Rushford

Pugh, Adam FF-City of Omro
 Pugh, Chad FF-City of Omro
 Redlin, Stan FF-Town of Omro
 Remer, Wayne FF-Town of Omro
 Rohan, Bob A/R FF-Town of Omro
 Schrauth, Don FF/FR/3rd Deputy Chief-City of Omro
 Slovinski, Keith FF-City of Omro
 Stone, Josh HMFF-Town of Nepeuskum
 Treleven, Brian FF/FR/Captain-City of Omro
 Treleven, Darin FF-City of Omro
 Treleven, Dave A/R FF-City of Omro
 Treleven, Dustin FF/Trustee/Captain-City of Omro
 Treleven, Jay FF/FR/Chief-Town of Omro
 Weise, Dave FF/Captain-City of Omro
 Weston-Gardner, Chad FF/FR - City of Omro
 Wilson, Brian FF/FR-City of Omro
 Wright, Larry A/R FF-City of Omro
 Wright, Larry Jr. FF-City of Omro
 Zimmer, Kyle FR -Town of Omro

Probationary Firefighters/First Responders

Ken Carley FR-City of Omro

Junior Firefighters

Angell, Martina
 Benoit, Julia
 Brown, Aalyha
 Cline, Madison
 Dietzen, Jack
 Egan, Meghan
 Eagn, Rebecca
 Gutierrez, Ernie
 Litton, Braydon
 Quast, Katressa
 Schoenika, Katie
 Treleven, Dakota
 Wiese, Bryce
 Wilke, Caitlyn

Attachment: Chief Report 021115. for minutes (1491 : Fire Chief's Report)

Omro Rushford Fire Department Status and Membership Report February 11, 2015

We have no new worker comp claims since our last report in September. Darin Treleven's claim from April 2014 is still an active claim. *closed/settled unless appealed.*

Assistant Chief Ron Carpenter coordinates the department training exercises and maintains training records; 1st Deputy Chief Bryon Litton oversees our fire inspection program and maintains inspections records. He is also in charge of the health and safety program; 2nd Deputy Chief Ed Carpenter coordinates vehicle and equipment maintenance and records; and 3rd Deputy Chief Don Schrauth is our Fire Prevention and Education officer along with maintaining our firefighters with personal protective equipment and our radio communication system.

Fire Department Captains and Lieutenants assist chief officers with their duties. Captain Tom Jackson assists the Chief, Captain Brian Henry and Lieutenant Sean Angell assist the Assistant Chief, Captain Mike Carpenter assists the 1st Deputy Chief, Captain Dustin Treleven and Lieutenant Mark Devlin assist the 2nd Deputy Chief and Captains Brian Treleven and Dave Weiss assist the 3rd deputy chief. Captain Mike Carpenter is also in charge of the CPR burns for the department.

A special thank you goes out to Greg Egan for his years of service as 3rd Deputy Chief and also to Greg Jackson for his many years of service of captain to the department.

Membership

The department is currently staffed by:

- 43 Active Firefighters
- 7 Active Retired Firefighters
- 0 Probationary Firefighters
- 15 First Responders (of the 15, 4 are not firefighters)
- 1 Probationary First Responder
- 14 Junior Firefighters

Our Department's First Responders (Emergency Medical Service) are directed by Kevin Beulen, the Training Officer is Deb Laatsch and the secretary is Russ Dietzen.

Fire Department Runs August 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015

Town of Rushford

Structure Fires	0
Car Fires	0
Jaws of Life/Auto Accidents	2
Carbon Monoxide Checks	0
Water/Ice Rescue	1
Grass Fires	2
Misc. Runs (gas leak, fire alarm, etc)	0
Total Runs	5
Total Gallons of Water Used	3,050

Town of Omro

Structure Fires	3
Car Fires	0
Jaws of Life/Auto Accidents	8
Carbon Monoxide Checks	4
Water/Ice Rescue	0
Grass Fires	2
Misc. Runs (gas leak, fire alarm, etc)	0
Total Runs	17
Total Gallons of Water Used	20,100

City of Omro

Structure Fires	5
Car Fires	1
Jaws of Life/Auto Accidents	4
Carbon Monoxide Checks	5
Water/Ice Rescue	0
Grass Fires	0
Misc. Runs (gas leak, fire alarm, etc)	7
Total Runs	22
Total Gallons of Water Used	200,300

Town of Winneconne (Rivermoor)

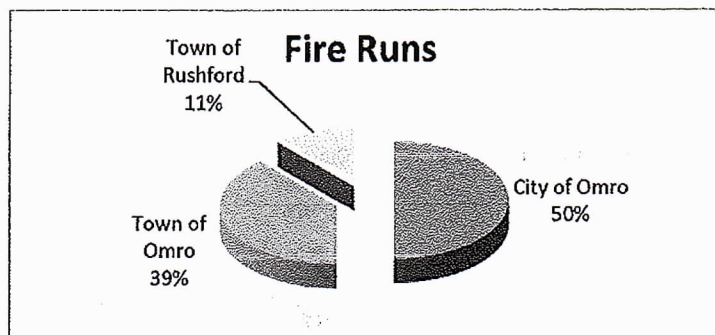
Structure Fires	0
Car Fires	0
Jaws of Life/Auto Accidents	0
Carbon Monoxide Checks	0
Water/Ice Rescue	0
Grass Fires	0
Misc. Runs (gas leak, fire alarm, etc)	0
Total Runs	0
Total Gallons of Water Used	0

Mutual Aid (Given)

Winneconne/Poygan	6
Algoma	5
Total Runs	11
Total Gallons of Water Used	2,000

Mutual Aid (Received)

Winneconne	1
Algoma	6
Utica	1
Total Runs	8



Grand Totals

Runs	55
Gallons of Water Used	225,450

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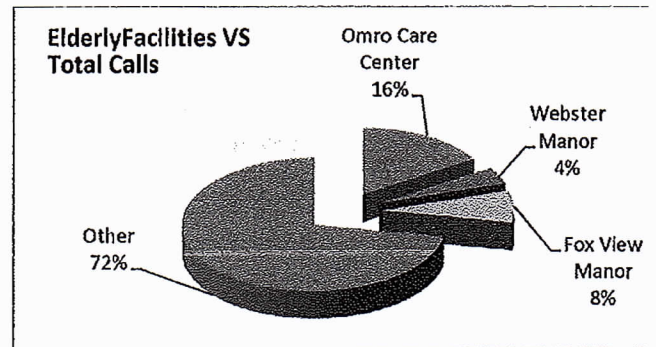
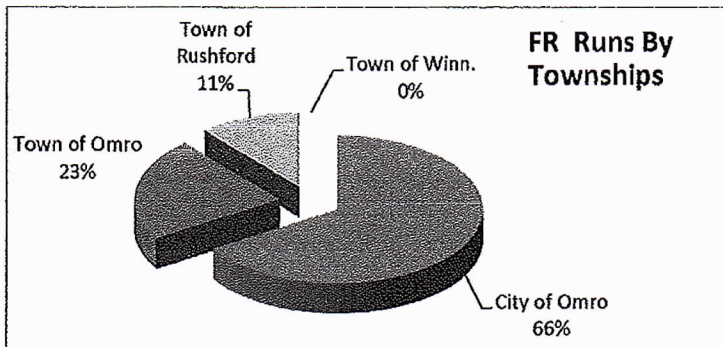
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**Omro Rushford Volunteer Fire Department
First Responder Run Report
August 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015**

	P&B	Accidents	Other	Total Runs	Prior Year Responder Runs
City of Omro	2	2	107	111	115
Town of Omro	0	10	28	38	37
Town of Rushford	0	3	16	19	30
Town of Winneconne	0	0	0	0	3
Mutual Aid	0			0	0
Total Runs	2	15	151	168	185

**City of Omro
First Responder Breakdown
August 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015**

	Total Runs
Omro Care Center	27
Webster Manor	7
Fox View Manor	13
Total Runs	47



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Vehicle Status

Projected Replacement

- 1980 Ford Engine 224 (fire truck)-Projected Replacement-2015
- 1986 Chevrolet Rescue 24-Projected Replacement-2022
- 1995 Ford Pickup Grass 24 (pickup truck)-Projected Replacement-2025
- 1998 Pierce Engine 124 (fire truck)-Projected Replacement-2033
- 2005 Central States Tanker 24 (water tanker)-Projected Replacement-2040
- 2008 Pierce Engine 24 (fire truck)-Projected Replacement-2043

Vehicle Insurance

- 1980 Ford Engine 224 (fire truck) - \$300,000
- 1986 Chevrolet Rescue 24 - \$200,000
- 1995 Ford Pickup Grass 24 (pickup truck) - \$40,000
- 1998 Pierce Engine 124 (fire truck) - \$475,000
- 2005 Central States Tanker 24 (water tanker) - \$250,000
- 2008 Pierce Engine 24 (fire truck) - \$475,000
- 2015 Ford F250 4 Door Pick-Up - \$43,000

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DNR Assistance to Firefighting Grant 2014 - Approved

Grant approved Oct. 2014 for purchase in 2015

Personal Protective Equipment

6 Wildland jackets and pants	1,482.00
6 Hardhats	285.60
10 Fire Resistant hoods	400.00
20 Wildland leather gloves	600.00
Total PPE	\$2,767.60

Forest Fire Suppression Tools and Equipment

10 pails Class A foam	\$495.00
Chain Saw-Wildland fire use	\$350.00
Chain Saw brackets for storage	\$100.00
3 DOT Safety gasoline cans	\$117.75
2 Repair kits for drip torch	\$159.98
Hose Reels - 1" hose	\$500.00
Hoses, nozzles and appliances	\$120.00
Drip Torch truck mount bracket	\$38.16
Total FFST&E	\$1,880.89

Grant Total FFP Project Cost **\$4,648.49**

50% share of Grant cost \$2,324.25

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**TOWN OF OMRO PLANNING COMMISSION
REPORT TO ANNUAL MEETING
APRIL 2015**

The period between April of 2014 and March of 2015 was full of variety. Some meetings were full with actions to be taken and yet one-fourth of the scheduled meetings were canceled because of lack of submissions.

Nine Certified Survey Maps (CSMs) were submitted. After approval fourteen parcels were turned into fourteen. This produced a very small increase in Parkland Funds. Two recent submissions were tabled until issues could be rectified.

Two of the land divisions caused a need for zoning changes. Roughly as much went into ag zoning as came out and went into residential zoning. One property went from business zoning to residential without doing a land division.

One conditional use permit was reviewed and approved.

There were two variance requests made. Both were for set-back revisions and both were granted.

What started as a simple bi-annual review of the Comprehensive Plan has become a more major update. Winnebago County is doing their required update which provided the Town with an opportunity to do some related changes in the Future Land Use Plan map and its interpretation and enforcement. The Commission would really appreciate public input prior to a projected fall adoption. Planning Commission chair, Tom Tuschl, participates on the County Steering Committee for its Comprehensive Plan review.

The Algoma Sanitary District #1 has created a park on Reighmoor Road just north of highway 21. They called it "Our Park" and it is open to use.

The Town has purchased fifteen acres of land to the East of Sandhill Farms to become a park. No announcement has been made yet as to its name or when it will be dedicated. It will be accessed from Fenceline Lane which comes off Marquardt Road. Schnyder/Wendt Park behind the garbage and recycle drop-off site continues to be open on weekends and has been the site of Eagle Scout work.

The Plan Commissioners participate on a quarterly basis in Winnebago County Plan Commissioners' Network meetings where issues common to several Towns can be discussed.

Town personnel have been involved in meetings and information sharing as the Algoma Sanitary District #1 and the City of Omro attempt to negotiate a new contract for sewer services to Town residents.

The Town Chairman will be making appointments to fill two seats on the Commission as those terms expire.

The Plan Commission meets on the Thursday which follows the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.