

OMRO TOWN CRIER

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TOWN OF OMRO RESIDENTS DID A FANTASTIC JOB

Town Clerk, Dana Woods, reported fantastic participation in the midterm, “off year”, elections. When the polls opened the town's registered voter count was 1719. During the day 93 people registered at the polls bringing the total to 1812. The number of votes cast was 1383 of which 228 were through the absentee process. This calculates to a 76.3% turnout. The clerk goes on to say that, of those original 1719, some would have moved away and registered elsewhere by election day. Clerks use WisVote and, as of the report, Mrs. Woods reports 1803 registered voters with an anticipation that within 30 days that number could drop even further. Using that number would raise the turnout by another 0.3%

Since 7 a.m. on the day of the 2020 (Presidential) General Election, the town has seen a net gain of 139 voters (as of the day she reported) and 128 since the 2020 August Primary alone.

Compared to the 2022 Census estimate stating that approximately 1866 of our residents are of voting age, that means only about 3% of 18 and up crowd in the Town of Omro are NOT registered to vote already.

In the last presidential election 1594 votes were cast.

TOWN OF OMRO VOTING RESULTS

In the interest of saving space write-ins were removed from this report. None of them were for declared candidates and therefore didn't count.

GOVERNOR

Evers = 484
Michels = 893
Ellis = 5

US SENATOR

Barnes = 440
Johnson = 941

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kaul = 468
Toney = 900

DIST. 6 CONGRESS REPRESENTATIVE

Grothman = 1034

SECRETARY OF STATE

LaFollette = 448
Loudenbeck = 881
Harmon = 27
McFarland = 16

ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE

Schraa = 1086

SHERIFF

Matz = 1112

STATE TREASURER

Richardson = 430
Leiber = 902
Zuelke = 35

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

Berry = 1101

STOCKING SHELVES

The *Oshkosh Northwestern* reports area-wide success in the “Stock the Shelves” campaign. But please don't forget your local food pantries, especially the Omro Food Pantry, as we approach special needs near Christmas.

REFUSE AND RECYCLING TIMES CORRECTED

This editor apologizes for reporting incorrect times for use of the refuse and recycling facilities. Starting in 2023 the facility will be open on Saturdays from 8:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. Between April 1 and October 1, the facility will be open on Thursdays from 4:30 P.m. to 6:30 P.M.

BUDGET HEARING AND ELECTORS MEETING

Prior to the opening of the Board meeting there was a hearing on the proposed budget. After a few questions, a meeting of Town Electors was held. Seven residents in addition to the three elected officials participated in the meeting. The electors unanimously passed a motion to recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt a tax levy of \$398,569.00.

NOVEMBER 21, 2022, TOWN BOARD MEETING

There was no public comment.

During the meeting, the board did the following:

- Adopted the budget as recommended by the electors.

- Approved membership in the Wisconsin Towns Association Political Action Council (TAC).

- Came to a consensus that the Industrial Development funds should be used by the Town to continue work on the Highway 21 Corridor Project.

- Approved the discontinuation of the Town's Tax Savings Account with the idea that those monies will be properly housed in other specified accounts.

- Approved the 2023 Town meetings calendar with the February and September meetings scheduled on a night different than the normal third Monday of each month.

- Approved one more operator's license.

Reports:

- The Road Supervisor initiated a discussion of whether or not to commission repairs of a bridge on Bradley Road.

- The Plan Commission Chair and the Town chair met with DOT personnel in the regional office to discuss possible moves forward from the Highway 21 Corridor Study results.

The Board went into closed session.

NOT THE MINUTES

Every so often this editor feels that it is a good idea to remind readers that these are not official minutes/records of any official actions. These are just observances of an old man with nothing better to do than go to Town meetings and bug the officials.

SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

This is issue 11 of volume 3 of the free on-line newsletter devoted to things in the Town of Omro.

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