

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, November 3, 2025 in the Municipal Office – 102 W Main Street. Darren Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Roll Call: Darren Peterson, Nikki Froehlich, Mark Kuhl, Dalton Spry, Luke Loescher, and Lee Williamson. Joe Peterson was absent. Attorney Paul Mahler – Bakke Norman was absent. Also, present were Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Jesse Vlasnik-Public Works, Ryan Haass–Police, and Jean Measner. No other persons from the public were present. The Osceola Sun Newspaper and the Inter County Leader Newspaper were absent. Salute to the Flag was given.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion Spry/Loescher to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Spry/Froehlich to approve minutes of the Village Board Meeting – October 6, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Froehlich/Kuhl to approve the minutes of the Closed Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting – October 8, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Loescher/Spry to approve the minutes of the Open Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting – October 8, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Spry/Kuhl to approve the minutes of the Closed Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting – October 22, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Loescher/Spry to approve the minutes of the Open Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting – October 22, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Froehlich/Kuhl to approve the minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting – October 27, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Loescher/Froehlich to approve the minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting – October 30, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Darren Peterson called for Citizen Comments. No citizen comments were made. Darren Peterson Closed Citizen Comments.

PREREGISTERED: Dresser Lion’s Club – Discussion was held regarding request from the Dresser Lion’s Club for a donation in the amount of \$300.00 for the annual Santa Day to be held at the Dresser Community Hall on Saturday, December 13, 2025. Jean Measner was present and stated we are requesting \$300.00 for Santa Day. There will be pictures with Santa, pancakes, and sausage. Event is from 8:00 am to 11:00 am this year. Spry stated we had a good time last year. The turn out keeps getting bigger and bigger. Motion Darren Peterson/Froehlich to approve a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to the Dresser Lion’s Club for the Santa Day Event to be held on December 13, 2025. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Update – Emergency Repair was done to the 2019 Mack Plow Truck in the amount of \$685.25. Darren Peterson stated that Jesse called me and the hydraulic bank was leaking. Jesse Vlasnik was able to fix the truck. Do we know how the part broke? Basically, two bolts snapped. The two bolts were what held the valve in place snapped and dumped all the hydraulic fluid. It was important to get this fixed right away. It is great that Jesse could work on it and put it back together.

Discussion was held regarding the Zero Turn Lawn Mower and whether we should be trading it in every two years. Froehlich asked how much does it take to maintain the equipment? Darren Peterson stated in the past there has been zero maintenance. Jesse Vlasnik stated we are at 200 hours on it right now. So, we have been putting on 100 hours a year on it roughly. Darren Peterson stated it makes sense to trade it in before we get to 1,000 hours. Gilbert explained the history and how we got to this point. Jesse Vlasnik stated I have no problems with the mower. It should last 7 to 10 years. Darren Peterson stated the price of a new zero turn has doubled. The trade in resale was high in the past. The nice thing about trading it in is that you are always under warranty. It was easy resale for Boyd. On the quote we got the trade in value went down with a 20% discount. Last time we got more for the trade in. Darren Peterson

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stated last time we traded we paid \$2,200.00 and now we would be paying \$6,200.00. This could be tabled if the board has questions that we need to get answers for. We could pull money from the machinery replacement monies if needed. Kuhl asked on a newer machine will the bagger still work? Yes, it would convert over OK per Vlasnik. Do we do the maintenance? Vlasnik stated yes. Darren Peterson stated I would personally run it at this point. It is not a good trade in any more. How long is the warranty good for? Vlasnik stated part of the reason for the trade in was for the warranty so maybe 3 years. Kuhl stated we don't have that many hours on it. Froehlich stated I think we need to keep the one we have. Loescher stated I agree we should keep the current mower. The board asked Vlasnik to verify whether we have another year warranty on the current machine.

Public Works Monthly Report: October 2025. Vlasnik read the report that was presented to the Board. Vlasnik stated I haven't gotten the results from my water test yet. Any other questions? Darren Peterson asked if things were going well. Vlasnik stated yes. Where do we take our compost? Vlasnik stated the leaves/compost goes to deer lake gardens. Vlasnik stated I will feel better after the first time plowing. Darren Peterson stated it will be good.

Update was given on the hiring process for the Public Works Position. No new applications. We will continue to advertise in the newspapers. Darren Peterson stated I have had some call me on the wage.

FINANCE: Update – the 2026 Proposed Budget has been completed and the Public Hearing to approve the 2026 budget will be held on November 20, 2025 at 6:30 PM.

Motion Darren Peterson/Kuhl to accept the recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to move the following monies to the Local Government Investment Pool: \$10,000.00 from 10-53240-360 Machinery Replacement Account and \$1,300.00 from 10-53270-360 Lawn Equipment Replacement Account. Gilbert stated we usually move certain monies every year. Certain line items the money is put into the budget and then it gets moved to the savings. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Loescher/Spry to approve the monthly Voucher/Payroll #44497-#44570 Payroll \$25,333.88 plus Vouchers \$85,112.12 for a Total of \$110,446.00. No discussion took place. Darren Peterson called for a Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

Annual Holiday Open House to be held December 11, 2025 – Motion Spry/Froehlich to approve a budget amendment moving \$300.00 from account 10-56720-330 Advertising & Prom. to account 10-56720-320 Holiday Open House to cover the cost of the meat/supplies for the annual Holiday Open House. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

LIBRARY: The Library Board Minutes from the October 13, 2025 meeting were presented to the Board. Froehlich stated there is not a lot going on. There have been a lot of people coming to the library. We are changing book vendor since Baker & Taylor is going out of business. Ingram will be the new book supplier.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The Building Inspector Report for October 2025 was presented to the board.

Update was given from the Joint Municipal Court Meeting that was held on October 28, 2025. Haass stated we thought we were going to have to hire a clerk of courts. They reduced the number of court days to once a month so we can keep the same person in the position and don't have to hire. Haass stated with the 500-600 cases having the Municipal Court is a huge money saver. We are not running to Balsam Lake for court. There is a faster turnaround on citations and things don't get delayed. Another

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issue is that with a citation the base amount is the same but the court costs are higher at the county. A lot more people fight the higher tickets. It is also a friendlier atmosphere. Darren Peterson asked how many on an average? Haass stated right now citations are down. Between the 2 municipalities we use to do 4 times that. Some of that is due to the type of cases we are dealing with. We use to do a lot of bad checks. Nobody is using checks anymore. The Village of Osceola has struggled to fill positions. They are now back to full time. There are also more criminal cases – it takes a lot of time to do these types of cases and they go through circuit court. Any other questions for Haass. Nothing was stated.

The Police Department October 2025 Report was presented to the Village Board. Haass stated I am having printer issues so you don't have a report to review tonight. I will work to get that resolved. October was a quiet month. Traffic is lower. People are not going to the cabin. School is in session. Halloween overall was quiet. No issues were reported. Kid traffic overall was down. Kuhl agreed that he a lot fewer kids this year. Haass stated I believe a lot of people run to the Village of Osceola or the City of St Croix Falls. By 8:00 pm there was nobody on the street. The Pumpkin Train was good - no issues.

Update was given from the Allied Emergency Services Board Meeting, October 16, 2025. Kuhl stated we went thru the budget. They are doing well financially. The overall budget for Dresser went down just a little bit.

Update was given from the Emergency Osceola Ambulance Meeting, October 27, 2025. The ambulance service is changing their billing company. We were having many issues. We got minimum support/features from our current billing company. We are making the change to ECP – they seem to be a nicer company to work with. They are a little more expensive but they are doing a lot more for the ambulance service.

PUBLIC WELFARE: Nothing on the agenda.

PLAN COMMISSION: Nothing on the agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Spring Election to be held on April 7, 2026. Nomination papers for Village Trustee positions can be circulated starting on December 1, 2025. Papers can be obtained from the Village Clerk Office. Nikki Froehlich, Dalton Spry, and Lee Williamson are up for reelection. Notification of Noncandidacy Forms are due December 26, 2025. Dalton Spry and Lee Williamson stated that they don't plan to run for reelection.

Monthly update from Village President, Darren Peterson. Darren Peterson stated I don't have anything at this time. Gilbert stated we are in need of 2 people for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

DECEMBER AGENDA BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION: Nothing was stated.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Library Board Meeting, Monday, November 10, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Special Village Board Meeting, Thursday, November 20, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Village Board Meeting, Monday, December 1, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Osceola Ambulance Board Meeting, Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Allied Emergency Services Board Meeting, Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 6:00 PM-Dresser Sta#1

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Froehlich/Spry to adjourn at 7:23 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert – Village Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.