

OZAUKEE COUNTY LAND INFORMATION OFFICE

2003 ANNUAL REPORT

This report has been prepared to inform interested parties on the status of work efforts advancing the Ozaukee County Land Information System Plan. In February 1990 the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors created a Land Information Office pursuant to Section 59.88 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Policy oversight is the responsibility of the Technology Resource Committee

Topographic/Planimetric Mapping

Together with the CAD formats this data set is available in, the office converted the data to an ESRI and GeoMedia format. These formats are more useful for GIS analysis. The data set is Countywide. This mapping is a critical element for planning activities, storm water management, and flood plain mapping. Users of this mapping include local governmental units, state agencies, developers, real estate professionals, and private citizens.

Digital Parcel Mapping

The parcel map had been fully converted to a digital format and is attributed with the Parcel Identification Number (PIN). This work was accomplished with a grant from the Wisconsin Land Information Board and performed by Ruckert-Mielke located in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

Address Centerline Mapping

The Land Information Office received a grant from the Wisconsin Land Information Board to produce a road and street centerline map attributed with addresses for use by the dispatch services within the Sheriff's Department. This mapping is essential for the wireless Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) State requirement. The Data set is also needed for effective land information searching functions. The project is expected to be completed in 2004.

Data Access

The Land Information Office serviced over 300 data requests that incurred a fee. In addition, there were a substantial number of requests that are not chargeable from local, state, or federal governmental units for land information records and data files. To provide better service and mitigate the impact of providing these services, an intranet/internet site was started. All of this data is available via Email to public or private organizations and individuals.

GPS Technology

The Mapping Grade GPS unit this office makes available to all governmental units in the county has been used in a variety of ways. The City of Port Washington utilized it in their sidewalk maintenance program saving hundreds of hours over the old paper process. The student intern utilized it to map Mee-Kwon Golf course utilities saving the County the \$8500 cost proposed by

an engineering firm. The office mapped the snowmobile trails throughout the county for the identification of owners of the property the trail crosses. The City of Mequon will be utilizing the unit to map their infrastructure in 2004.

Internet

Since February of 1996 this office has developed and maintained Ozaukee County's Internet site. This site provides information in the following broad perspective:

- [Departments](#)
- [Municipalities](#)
- [History](#)
- [Agendas](#)
- [Minutes](#)
- [News](#)
- [Job Board](#)
- [Board of Supervisors](#)
- [Tourism](#)
- [Economic Profile](#)
- [Weather](#)
- [State Links](#)
- [Links to Other Counties](#)
- [Photos](#)
- [LOGIN](#)
- [Press Releases](#)
- [County Services](#)

The Land Information Office provides the services of the designing, developing and maintaining web pages (a sub site) to all county departments and municipalities on the county's Internet Server that is maintained the Information Services.

As of this publication this site maintains 15,546 files, 9,268 pictures including 4,954 external links and 65,439 internal links. The Internet continues to be the most effective method for the County to reach out to the public it serves.

We look to continue to develop and improve this site looking into the future in performing interactive government over the Internet. Payment of taxes and permits is an option to be considered. As always in suggestions and comments are always welcomed. Please visit your web site at: <http://www.co.ozaukee.wi.us>

Intergovernmental/ Departmental Cooperation

The Land Information Office has forged a strong working relationship with governmental units at all levels. We continue to be the main provider of land related data for all towns and municipalities.

Internet Privacy Policy

To best meet the needs of the citizens of the county in protecting privacy rights and meeting the needs of the State open records law, the county has removed the search capability of names over the internet for general public use. Government and subscribers will have this option.

Retained Fee Statistics

Due to an increase in activity of recorded documents, the Land Information Office retained approximately 22% more in fees in 2003 as compared to 2002. This increase can be attributed to a substantial increase in refinancing activity and land development due to low interest rates and an advantageous housing market. Monthly breakdowns for 2002 and 2003 can be found [here](#).

Respectively submitted,

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