



February 28, 2024

Osceola Water Board of Trustees
C/O Brandon Patterson
208 W Jefferson St
Osceola, IA 50213

RE: Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center (pool)

Dear Brandon,

On February 20, 2024, the Osceola City Council voted to keep the Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center closed for the 2024 season. On February 22nd, Mayor Kedley vetoed the action triggering a special meeting which took place on February 27th. At the special meeting, the City Council voted to override the mayoral veto, keeping the aquatic center closed. However, after the veto override, the Council voted to revisit their position subject to several conditions:

- 1) The city receive authorization from the appropriate local and state regulatory authorities to move water from Grade Lake and Q Pond to “make up for” water used to service the aquatic center (and golf course).
- 2) Based on the position that all water in West Lake (regardless of how it got there) falls under the jurisdiction of the Osceola Water Board of Trustees, the City Council requests Water Board approval to use finished water to service the aquatic center (and golf course).
- 3) The City Council would ask the water conservation ordinance be amended or clarified to ensure such use by the City of Osceola is not in conflict with the conservation ordinance.

Please convey this request to the Water Board of Trustees and request that it be taken up for discussion at their next meeting.

Thanks,

Ty Wheeler
City Administrator
City of Osceola, IA