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Oswego, New York Cellular Tower Crushes Chief's Vehicle

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It stretched for more than half the length of a football field, causing considerable damage but no injuries.

Within a matter of seconds Thursday morning, the cellular tower behind the Oswego Fire Department's eastside station went from being 165 feet tall to being 165 feet long.

Winds, in excess of 55 mph toppled the tower in an easterly direction; the fire chief's vehicle and a section of a fence were crushed.

There were no injuries, Chief Ed Geers reported.

Firefighters quickly cut off the power to the tower, Deputy Chief Mark McManus added. "Nobody got hurt, but it got the adrenaline pumping," he said.

The tower fell in the best possible spot, the chief said.