

VILLAGE OF OSCEOLA
PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL BOARD MEETING PROCEEDINGS
December 1, 2022

PUBLIC HEARING PROCEEDINGS

The Village of Osceola Board met for a Public Hearing on the proposed 2023 Village Budget on December 1st, 2022, at Village Hall. Village President Jeromy Buberl called the Public Hearing to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present: Jeromy Buberl, Deb Rose, Bruce Gilliland, Brad Lutz, and Van Burch

Absent: Bill Chantelois IV and Holly Walsh

Staff present: Frank Pascarella, Devin Swanberg, Frances Duncanson, Carie Krentz, Ron Pedrys, and Paul Elfstrom

Others present: Lynette Edwards

Motion by Gilliland and seconded by Burch to approve the agenda

Ayes-5 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Public Comment opened at 6:03 p.m. There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

President Buberl adjourned the Public Hearing portion of the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Osceola Village Board met for a Special meeting on December 1st, 2022, at Village Hall Village President Jeromy Buberl called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. immediately following the Public Hearing.

Present: Jeromy Buberl, Deb Rose, Bruce Gilliland, Brad Lutz, Van Burch, and Holly Walsh (arrived at 6:08 pm)

Absent: Bill Chantelois IV

Staff present: Frank Pascarella, Devin Swanberg, Frances Duncanson, Carie Krentz, Ron Pedrys, and Paul Elfstrom

Others present: Lynette Edwards

Resolution #22-08 “TIF #2 Early Percentage Settlement”

Buberl read Resolution #22-08 “TIF #2 Early Percentage Settlement”. Lutz any reasons these numbers will change or are they close. Duncanson and Pascarella stated numbers are very close, and do not expect much change. Duncanson also suggested an early settlement not be made until August after Village receives full tax settlement. 90% of early settlement was recommended by auditors and Baird. Board discussed the benefit of keeping the TIF open for the extra year.

Motion by Burch and seconded by Rose approve Resolution #22-08 “Early Percentage Settlement”

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Amendments to proposed 2023 Budget

ARPA Funds, Fund Balance and TIF #2 Percentage Settlement

Motion by Gilliland and seconded by Rose to amend the proposed 2023 budget to remove \$114,725 of the ARPA moneys from the proposed budget.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by Gilliland and seconded by Rose removing \$50,000 of fund balance revenue from the proposed 2023 budget.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by Gilliland and seconded by Rose to amend the proposed 2023 budget by adding \$165,725 to revenue from early TIF #2 percentage settlement.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Resolution #22-09 “To Appropriate Funds for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2023, and to Authorize the Levy of a Sufficient Tax Upon the Taxable Property within the Village of Osceola”

Buberl read Resolution #22-09 “To appropriate funds for the fiscal year beginning January 1,2023 and to authorize the levy of a sufficient tax upon the taxable property within the Village of Osceola.”

Motion by Gilliland and seconded by Lutz adopt Resolution #22-09 “To appropriate funds for the fiscal year beginning January 1,2023 and to authorize the levy of a sufficient tax upon the taxable property within the Village of Osceola.”

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Consideration of a referendum for Public Safety and Public Works to be held at the April 4, 2023, Spring Election

Duncanson touched on timeline and stated the referendum needed to be finalized and notice publish by January 24, 2023.

Board discussed the process of implementing a referendum for the Village for the 2023 Spring Election to exceed the state-imposed property tax levy limit. Duncanson provided a handout from The League of Wisconsin Municipalities called Taxation FAQ 8 that stated: the referendum would not be a dollar amount but a percentage and would be an on-going referendum, not a one-year one. There is specific wording needing to be used and the Village attorney should be involved. Issues that need to be addressed were (1) should form a new committee or be discussed by entire board, (2) how much funds needed (3) consensus to move forward and (4) who’s going to be contact. Other items discussed were informing the public, Facebook page to get information to public. Duncanson stated that CESEA (Village is in District 11 in Turtle Lake, WI) would be a good source to help with getting referendum done – marketing, etc. Lutz has concerns having a referendum with the school having one as well. Discussion continued regarding how Village could generate revenue to get the staff that is needed, it’s been an issue for years.

Rose asked staff present for suggestions to move forward and Pascarella discussed forming a committee of three board members because it would be easier to meet and have the information brought to the board. The Board is under a compressed time frame to get referendum ready by January 24, 2023.

Motion by Burch and seconded by Gilliland for Admin & Finance committee be the formation committee of the potential April 04, 2023, referendum.

Ayes-6 Nays-1 (Lutz) Motion carried

Village President Buberl adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Carie A. Krentz