

**VILLAGE OF OSCEOLA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING PROCEEDINGS
October 7, 2026**

The Village of Osceola met for a Special meeting on October 7, 2026, at Village Hall. Village President Lutz called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Brad Lutz, Neil Kline, Jay Nelson, Tony Perry, Arvid Maki, and Nicole Holt

Absent: Mike Sine

Staff present: Devin Swanberg, Carie Krentz, Tanya Batchelor, Todd Waters, Anne Miller, Andrew Bach, Paul Elfstrom, and Joey Cutts

Pledge of Alliance / Roll Call Vote: Holt, Kline, Lutz, Maki, Nelson, and Perry - 6 of 7, quorum to continue

Motion by Holt and second by Nelson to approve the agenda. Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion carried

Other business – discussion and possible action re:

2027 Budget discussion and direction

Swanberg stated that the Administration & Finance Committee requested a special meeting to reach consensus on the direction of the 2027 budget. The presented budget is balanced, maintains current service levels, and does not include rehiring the vacant police officer position, which represents approximately \$100,000 in salary costs. Staff reviewed potential cost reductions, including changes to brush dump and pickup services and reductions in small equipment and repairs. After consulting with department heads, staff determined there were no additional reductions available without impacting services. Staff recommended that the Board move forward with the presented budget. There is a .05% decrease in operating budget and the Village will decrease in mill rate.

Lengthy discussion on current financial position, how to make the borrow work for financial position of the village, where the village was back in 2018, getting it to where it is today, the effect of TIDs. Bach came and shared how the department has been working with one less officer. Elfstrom spoke on working with a tight budget and doing the best with rising costs. Waters spoke on managing over a \$100M infrastructure, 22 miles of roads, 160 acres of land and mow 36 spaces. Direction to move forward with presented budget, set public hearing in November.

Future agenda items and updates

Holt & Maki – thanked staff for all their hard work

President Lutz adjourned the meeting at 7:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Carie Krentz, Village Clerk