THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO
Regular Board Meeting
September 22, 2026
5:30 PM

The Oshtemo Township Board Meeting was held in person at the Township Hall. Residents were able to give public comment during the meeting. Supervisor Bell called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 PM.

PRESENT:
Supervisor Cheri Bell
Clerk Dusty Farmer
Treasurer Clare Buszka
Trustee Neil Sikora
Trustee Michael Chapman
Trustee Zak Ford
Trustee Kristin Cole

Also present were Public Works Director Anna Horner, Accountant Ben Wakley.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Sikora, second by Ford to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

Work Session: 2027 Budget

Accountant Ben Wakley presented to the Board, reminding them of the previously discussed fund balances and possible millage and SAD rates. The Board looked at projects in the General Fund and Parks Fund.

Supervisor Bell asked if anyone present wished to remove an item from the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda

a. September 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes
b. September 15, 2026 Meeting Minutes
c. SoDA Pathway Payback Agreement
d. Retirement Plan Amendment
e. Employee Recognition Certificates Summary

Motion by Cole, second by Chapman to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comment

Supervisor Bell opened public comment.

Presentation: Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office

Kalamazoo County Sheriff Richard Fuller presented about automated license plate readers/Flock cameras in Kalamazoo County.

Consideration: New Streetlight Projects

Motion by Ford, second by Sikora to adopt a resolution for new streetlight projects. Roll call. Resolutions adopted 7-0.

Consideration: Budget Amendments

Accounting: Transfers to Debt Service Fund

Motion by Farmer, second by to approve the amendments for debt service fund as described in the memo. Motion carried 7-0.

Maintenance: Vehicle Garage Generator

Board consensus was to send this item through the Cemetery. Buildings, and Grounds Committee for recommendation.

Public Works- Annual Budget Reductions

Motion by Ford, second by Sikora to approve the budget amendments for Public Works annual reductions. Motion carried 7-0.

Media and Comms: Signage Family Design

Motion by Farmer, second by Sikora to approve the budget amendment reallocating $12,500 from public education to the Media and Comms consultant line. Motion carried 6-1.

Discussion: Energy Ordinance and Moratorium Updates

Trustee Chapman provided an update regarding the draft energy ordinance that is currently being reviewed by the Planning Commission.

Motion by Chapman, second by Cole to accept for first reading ordinance 697 and set second reading for October 13, 2026. Motion carried 7-0

Public Comment

Supervisor Bell opened public comment.

Supervisor Bell adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:45 PM.

Prepared by	Dusty Farmer Township Clerk	Attested	Cheri Bell Township Supervisor