RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Village of Owensville Regular Meeting

Held in the Village Hall August 3, 2026

The Mayor and Council of the Village of Owensville met in Regular Session on August 3, 2026 in the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Rick McEvoy at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
All in attendance said the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL
Council Members Present: Joe Bailey, Mable Sheppard, Mike Perry, Leo Bradley
Jerry Kuntz, Robby Edwards

CITIZENS AND GUESTS PRESENT
Fiscal Officer, Kathy Neuner; Police Chief, Mike Freeman; 12 guests

APPROVE VIRTUAL SIGNING OF SIGNATURE PAGE
Council Member Mr. Bailey moved and Council Member Ms. Sheppard seconded approving the virtual signing of the Governing Board Signature Page.
VOTE: All Ayes; Motion Carries 6-0

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Council Member Dr. Bradley moved and Council Member Mr. Perry seconded that Council adopted the agenda as presented.
VOTE: All Ayes; Motion Carries 6-0

CLERK'S BUSINESS
Council Member Mr. Bailey moved and Council Member Dr. Bradley seconded that Council approve the July 6, 2026 minutes as presented.
VOTE: All Ayes; Motion Carries 6-0

Council Member Mr. Bailey moved and Council Member Dr. Bradley seconded to approve the monthly financial reports.
VOTE: All Ayes; Motion Carries 6-0

Council Member Mr. Bailey moved and Council Member Ms. Sheppard seconded that Council approve the paid bills as presented.
VOTE: All Ayes; Motion Carries 6-0

Council Member Dr. Bradley moved and Council Member Mr. Bailey seconded that Council approve the authorization of Rick McEvoy to work with Choice One and apply for the OPWC grant for road paving. If approved, the grant requires a 10% match.
VOTE: All Ayes; Motion Carries 6-0
Ordinance 08-03-2026-01

MAYOR/COUNCIL BUSINESS

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Mr. Freeman reported that Rack7 is filling cracks at the park and maintenance garage. This is a donation and no cost to the Village.

The Village hired one full time officer and added two auxiliary officers.

Mr. McEvoy would like the strategic planning committee to make sure council's decisions are in line with their plan.

Mr. Wright spoke about the planning commission progress, including their work on the proposed PUD, public hearing feedback and possible recommendations. The village has grown 12 households over 25 years and adding 200 new households could have a significant effect on the village. Would like to know what the overhead implications would be for this growth.

Ms. Sheppard gave the new dates for the movie nights, August 18 and October 17.

Ms. Sheppard read the police report for May as provided by Chief Freeman.
Dr. Bradley asked how traffic was for the fair.

Mr. Edwards thanked Mr. & Mrs. Kuntz for working fair parking all week.

Ms. Sheppard would like to use village laptops in lieu of personal devices. Four are available to use at Village Hall. She will be adding meeting minutes to the website.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two representatives from Arbor Homes were present to answer questions about the proposed development. They invited council to tour a similar development in Springfield, Melody Parks.

Mr. Matthews asked about an incident at the fair. He wants a report on open police shifts.

Pam asked who officers contact for St. Louis if they find something concerning while patrolling.

Mr. Wright asked about temporary sidewalk signage for businesses. Needs clarification on what is permitted and what isn't. Has concerns about consistent enforcement of zoning across all businesses.

Ms. Yeager and Ms. Kuntz have concerns about overgrown grass and the letters that are sent to property owners.

Ms. Bailey asked for an update on the drain work on St. Louis drive.

ADJOURNMENT
With no additional business to attend to, Mr. McEvoy adjourned the meeting at 8:16 pm.

Kathy Neuner, Fiscal Officer Richard McEvoy, Mayor