OSCEOLA COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/BUDGET WORK SESSION
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2017

The Committee meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Chairman Emig.

Present: Commissioners Pam Wayne, Jack Nehmer, Jill Halladay, Larry Emig, Roger Elkins and Alan Tiedt.
Absent: Commissioner Mark Gregory.

Also present: Lori Leudeman-County Treasurer, Justin Halladay-Undersheriff, Rosie McKinstry-Equalization
Director, Susan Vander Pol-County Coordinator, Karen Bluhm-County Clerk, and other members of the
public.

Brief public comment: None.

Employee comment: Karen Bluhm, County Clerk, shared a revised worksheet of HRA expenses for the
current 2017 year by funds.

Chairman Emig asked Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, to speak about the 2018 budget and the deficit
the County continues to look at in balancing next year’s budget. Susan spoke about some of the changes that
have been made and provided a current revised 2018 budget report showing our current deficit at $833,562.00.

Explanation of the Delinquent Tax Funds as well as the Public Improvement Fund were given.

Discussion was held on a variety of topics to cut the use of $833,562 of fund balance in balancing the budget:

1. Possible sale of properties owned by the County
2. Housing at the jail
3. Need for special funds to pay their portion of HRA expenses to the General Fund
4. Treatment of prisoners’ line item in the budget continues to increase
5. 40/60 Court Split-cost share
6. Sale of 15 acres of County owned property in Orient and acreage next to Road Commission
7. Fee structure and possible ways to generate new revenues
8. Combining jobs and duties when people leave, or possibly not replacing some of these positions
9. Use of space in the E.M.D. and Building Department building
10. Possibility of staff reductions may be needed
11. Fees at Animal Control
12. Travel expenses for employees
13. Parks Director being paid mileage to go back and forth to work-outside of County policy
14. Janitorial services out-sourcing
15. Cell phones used by employees
16. Use of County vehicles
17. Cutting checks for minimum amounts
18. Reporting of comp-time for employees

Commissioner Halladay excused at 2:50 p.m.

Moved by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Tiedt to adjourn at 3:42 p.m. Motion carried.

Karen J. Bluhm, County Clerk ___________________ Larry Emig, Chairman