

**TOWN OF OSCEOLA  
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2010 AT 5:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Osceola met to continue a special board meeting on Wednesday, January 14, 2020, beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Osceola Town Hall, Dresser, Wisconsin.

**VERIFICATION OF MEETING POSTING:** The Chair verified the meeting was posted on January 13, 2020, and amended and reposted on January 14, 2020 at the Town Hall, the Dresser Post Office, First National Community Bank and the Town website.

**CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER:** Chair Doug Schmidt called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., and announced the Board will move into a closed meeting pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(G) to confer with legal counsel for the Town who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation in which it is likely to become involved relating to a defamation claim.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Doug Schmidt, Mike Wallis and Brandon Whittaker.

**ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Attorneys Cathy Rodli and Remz Bitar attended by conference call.

**CLOSED SESSION**

MOTION BY WALLIS/WHITTAKER TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION. ROLL CALL VOTE: WALLIS: YES, WHITTAKER: YES, SCHMIDT: YES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Board entered a closed session at 5:08 p.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

MOTION BY WALLIS/WHITTAKER TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION. ROLL CALL VOTE: WALLIS: YES, WHITTAKER: YES, SCHMIDT: YES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. No action was taken by the Board in the closed session.

The Board briefly met in open session at 5:57 p.m. for an announcement by Chair Schmidt that it would be meeting in closed session under a different Wisconsin Statute.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Doug Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and announced the Board will move into a closed meeting pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(C) to continue interviews of the candidates for the positions of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer.

**CLOSED SESSION**

MOTION BY WHITTAKER/WALLACE TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION. ROLL CALL VOTE: WALLIS: YES, WHITTAKER: YES, SCHMIDT: YES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY WHITTAKER/WALLIS TO INVITE INTERIM CLERK/TREASURER JO EVERSON TO ATTEND THE INTERVIEW/CLOSED MEETING SESSION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Board entered a closed session at 5:57 p.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

MOTION BY WALLIS/WHITTAKER TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION. ROLL CALL VOTE: WALLIS: YES, WHITTAKER: YES, SCHMIDT: YES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Board entered open session at 9:00 p.m.

The Board discussed the merits of each candidate as well as the starting pay for the Clerk and for the Treasurer.

MOTION BY WALLACE/WHITTAKER TO OFFER THE POSITION OF TOWN CLERK TO CANDIDATE D<sup>1</sup>, AT A RATE OF \$20.00 PER HOUR FOR 24 HOURS A WEEK, SUBJECT TO A SUCCESSFUL BACKGROUND CHECK. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY WALLACE/WHITTAKER TO OFFER THE POSITION OF TOWN TREASURER TO CANDIDATE E<sup>2</sup>, AT A RATE OF \$16.00 PER HOUR FOR 12 HOURS A WEEK, SUBJECT TO A SUCCESSFUL BACKGROUND CHECK. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY WALLIS/WHITTAKER TO OFFER THE POSITIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES IN THE EVENT THE FIRST CANDIDATES DECLINE THE POSITION:

CLERK: TO CANDIDATE C FIRST, OR CANDIDATE B FINALLY.

TREASURER: TO CANDIDATE F FIRST, OR CANDIDATE A FINALLY.

The Board agreed that Interim Clerk/Treasurer Jo Everson would make the offer of employment to the Candidates the next morning.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY WHITTAKER/WALLIS TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD BY THE TOWN BOARD THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY, 2020. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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Jo Everson, Interim Clerk/Treasurer

**APPROVED: FEBRUARY 4, 2020**

<sup>1</sup> Candidate A Linda Chabot accepted the position of Town Clerk on January 16, 2020.

<sup>2</sup> Candidate E Christine Stevens accepted the position of Town Treasurer on January 16, 2020.