

**TOWN OF OSCEOLA  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING  
MAY 10, 2021**

**MINUTES**

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Osceola met for a Special Town Board Meeting Monday, May 10, 2021, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Osceola Town Hall, Dresser, Wisconsin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

MOTION BY WALLIS/GUSTAFSON TO APPOINT LINDH AS ACTING CHAIRPERSON FOR THIS MEETING. MOTION CARRIED.

**VERIFICATION:** Gustafson verified that notice of the Special Meeting was posted Friday, May 7, 2021 at the Town Hall, the Dresser Post Office, First National Community Bank, and the Town website.

**PLEDGE:** Lindh led the group in The Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mike Wallis, Neil Gustafson, Jo Everson and Dale Lindh.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:** MOTION BY WALLIS/EVERSON TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS POSTED. MOTION CARRIED.

**CLOSED MEETING**

PURSUANT TO WISCONSIN STATUTE §19.85 (1)(C) TO EVALUATE THE PERFORMANCE AND DUTIES OF THE TOWN TREASURER.

MOTION BY WALLIS/EVERSON TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION. ROLL CALL VOTE: WALLIS = YES, GUSTAFSON = YES, EVERSON = YES, LINDH = YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Evaluation of the performance and duties of the Town Treasurer proceeded.

MOTION BY WALLIS/GUSTAFSON TO MOVE TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:34 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

**OPEN MEETING**

MOTION BY EVERSON/LINDH FOR A 5 MINUTE RECESS BEGINNING AT 7:35 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

Lindh called the meeting back to order at 7:43 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mike Wallis, Neil Gustafson, Jo Everson and Dale Lindh.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Reagan Hoverman, Bev Kobs, Kirk Carlson, May Breitbach, Ryan Lee, Dan Burch, Jamie Nelson, Brooke Kulzer, Kim Kaiser, Sandy Ball, Mary Weinberg, Kym & Bob Wright, Liz Rochford, Stacy Wright, Warren Johnson, Mark Skjerven, Mike Burch, Diana Anderson, Merle & Dianne Aarthun, Barb Delaney, Melissa Ward, Denise Skjerven, Jon Cronick, Jamie Tinney, Tom Stangl (Osceola Sun), Mike Rochford, Jeanette Rochford, Tom Magnafici, Steve Heichel, Bernie Desmarais, Therese Durkin, Rebekah Gustafson, Ed Everson, Cindy Thorman and Jim Brundage.

**TOWN CLERK POSITION:** MOTION BY GUSTAFSON/WALLIS TO APPOINT JAN CARLSON AS THE CLERK/TREASURER UNTIL JUNE 30, 2021 WITH CARLSON NOT ACCEPTING ANY PAY FOR THE CLERK PORTION OF THE POSITION DURING THAT TIME. MOTION CARRIED.

**SWEARING IN OF THE CLERK:** Jan Carlson was sworn in as Town Clerk by Acting Chairman Dale Lindh.

**TOWN TREASURER POSITION:** MOTION BY GUSTAFSON/LINDH TO HIRE JAN CARLSON AS THE PERMANENT TOWN TREASURER AT A RATE OF \$20 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE MAY 16, 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

**TOWN CHAIR POSITION:** MOTION BY WALLIS/LINDH TO APPOINT BOB WRIGHT AS TOWN CHAIRMAN. MOTION FAILED 3/2.

MOTION BY WALLIS/CARLSON TO APPOINT DALE LINDH AS TOWN CHAIRMAN. MOTION CARRIED.

Gustafson inquired whether or not Lindh would be fulfilling former Chairman Whittaker's 2-year term as Lindh was now serving a 1-year term. Gustafson stated that it would seem right that Lindh would now serve the 2-year term and the incoming Supervisor would fulfill Lindh's 1-year term. Lindh stated that he would verify this with the Town attorney.

**SWEARING IN OF TOWN CHAIRMAN:** Dale Lindh was sworn in as Town Chairman by Interim Clerk Jan Carlson.

**VACANT TOWN SUPERVISOR POSITION:** MOTION BY WALLIS/GUSTAFSON TO SOLICIT RESUMES FROM INTERESTED PARTIES UNTIL MAY 24, 2021 FOR THE VACANT TOWN SUPERVISOR POSITION. MOTION CARRIED.

Resumes can be submitted to the Town Clerk in person, by email or they can also be submitted to one of the Supervisors or Chairman. This will need to be posted on the Town's website and Facebook page and it will also need to be an agenda topic for the June 7, 2021 Regular Town Board Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** MOTION BY WALLIS/GUSTAFSON TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

Being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Neil Gustafson, Town Supervisor

**APPROVED: 06/07/2021**

**\*NOTE: THE RESPONSE FROM PAUL MAHLER, TOWN ATTORNEY, INDICATED THAT THERE WAS NO PROHIBITION STATUTORIALLY THAT THE TREASURER COULD NOT SERVE AS INTERIM CLERK AS WELL OTHER THAN THE TOWN COULD NOT PAY ONE PERSON FOR MORE THAN ONE OFFICE (SINCE IT CURRENTLY HAS A SEPARATE CLERK AND TREASURER POSITION).**

**\*NOTE: THE ATTORNEY ALSO RESPONDED THAT DALE LINDH WILL SERVE THE ENTIRE TWO YEAR TERM AS CHAIRMAN, AND THE NEW SUPERVISOR WILL SERVE A ONE YEAR TERM, SINCE THAT POSITION WAS PREVIOUSLY HELD BY LINDH FOR A ONE YEAR TERM, EXPIRING IN 2022.**