

TOWN OF OTIS BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING  
November 30, 2016

**Present:** **Mayor: Damon Gale**  
**Trustees: Jesse Stackhouse; Linda Bethel;**  
**Jim Wiebers & Lana Rogers**

**Mayor Pro Tem: Sue Stackhouse arrived at 5:34 pm**

**Others Present:** **Babette Jamison – Town Clerk/Treasurer & Preston Lemke – Maintenance**

Mayor Gale called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**MR. CHAPIN: ATTORNEY** \_\_\_\_\_

Trustee Rogers made a motion to hire Mr. Robert Chapin, as legal counselor for the old hotel, at a rate of \$150 per hour and if needed his legal assistant at a rate of \$75 per hour. Trustee Bethel seconded. Voting resulted:

YES: 4  
NO: 0

Mayor Gale declared motion carried.

**AGENDA** \_\_\_\_\_

Trustee Rogers made a motion to amend Ordinance #165 by adding PUBLIC WORKS and FINANCE under REPORTS and a second GUEST SECTION before MISCELLANEOUS. The second Guest Section will be by recognition and a 3 minute limit on speaking. Trustee J Stackhouse seconded. Voting resulted:

YES: 4  
NO: 0

Mayor Gale declared motion carried.

**TRUSTEES TIDBITS** \_\_\_\_\_

Tabled for future agendas

Due to the fact Mayor Gale had a prior commitment, Trustee J Stackhouse made a motion to recess until either Mayor Gale or Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse returns. Trustee Rogers seconded. Voting resulted:

YES: 4  
NO: 0

Mayor Gale declared motion carried then left at 5:23 pm

Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse called the meeting back to order at 5:34 pm.

**BOARD VACANCY**

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The Board of Trustees then interviewed the three candidates for the open Board seat. Trustee J Stackhouse then made a motion to appoint Lacie Denney to fill the vacancy on the Board. Trustee Wiebers seconded. Voting resulted by roll call:

Trustee J Stackhouse – YES  
Trustee Wiebers – YES  
Trustee Bethel – NO  
Trustee Rogers – NO  
Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse – YES

Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse declared motion carried.

For the record, Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse then addressed the citizens that were present and stated the fact the Town of Otis is not affiliated with the Open Forum on Marijuana that is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Once the informal surveys that have been collected are tallied, if the majority is against, the subject will not be brought up again.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Town Man Lemke chose to have the discussion in an open meeting.

Discussion between the Board and Lemke occurred, after which Trustee Rogers made a motion to dismiss Mr. Lemke from his duties as Town Man. Trustee Bethel seconded. Voting resulted:

YES: 4  
NO: 0

Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse declared motion carried.

Trustee Rogers made a motion to have the Public Works Committee escort Mr. Lemke to the Town Shop so he can collect his personal belongings. Trustee Bethel seconded. Voting resulted:

YES: 4  
NO: 0

Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse declared motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Rogers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Wiebers seconded. The vote of the Board was unanimously in favor. Mayor Pro Tem S Stackhouse declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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Babette Jamison  
Town Clerk

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Damon M Gale

Mayor

