

OTIS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Present:** Mayor: Sue Stackhouse  
Trustees: Carol Ash; Bob Thompson; Mark Norman;  
Carol Thinnes: Justin Smith; Jerry Kollman

**Others Present:** Brandee Waldron – Town Clerk / Treasurer; Mike  
Brown – Maintenance; Bob Thompson & Lee Thinnes  
- Code Enforcement

**Guests:** Jesse Stackhouse & David Foy

Mayor Sue Stackhouse called the meeting to order. 7:07 p.m.

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

**GUEST COMMENTS** \_\_\_\_\_

David Foy provoked much discussion and mentioned several different and available alternatives related with the current grant for the Road Grader.

COUNCILMEMBER MARK NORMAN MOVED to postpone the current grant for the Road Grader until the next grant cycle in about April 2009. Voting resulted:

YES: 6  
NO: 0

Mayor Stackhouse declared motion carried.

**PUBIC HEARING** \_\_\_\_\_

**MINUTES** \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCILMEMBER CAROL ASH MOVED to approve the minutes of the council meeting for December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008. Voting resulted:

YES: 6  
NO: 0

Mayor Stackhouse declared motion carried.

**BILLS** \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCILMEMBER JUSTIN SMITH MOVED to approve all bills presented for December 2008. Voting resulted:

YES: Mark, Justin, Carol Ash, & Carol  
Thinnes  
ABSTAIN: Bob & Jerry

Mayor Stackhouse declared motion carried.

**PARKS** \_\_\_\_\_

None

**FIRE DEPARTMENT** \_\_\_\_\_

Mark Norman mentioned the Santa run was a big hit and everything ran smoothly. The possibility of community service projects was discussed too.

**MAINTENANCE** \_\_\_\_\_

Mike Brown recapped on the teleconference call between Sue, Mike, and the State. Council discussed alternatives.

He also informed the council that all of the Christmas lights have been taken down.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT / ANIMAL CONTROL** \_\_\_\_\_

Lee Thinnies approached the council for an unpaid 6-month leave of absence due to his recent medical situation. He did mention that he would like to continue the cleaning.

COUNCILMEMBER JUSTIN SMITH MOVED to approve the 6-month leave and the council will revisit the matter in June 2009. Voting resulted:

YES:	Justin, Mark, Carol Ash, Bob, & Jerry
ABSTAIN:	Carol Thinnies

Mayor Stackhouse declared motion carried.

It was mentioned that Rose informed Carol Thinnies that the pound has had a dog for 10 days.

**NEW BUSINESS** \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCILMEMBER CAROL THINNES MOVED to approve Mike Brown to attend the 2009 Water-testing school during February 16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>. Voting resulted:

YES:	6
NO:	0

Mayor Stackhouse declared motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** \_\_\_\_\_

The council decided on the winners of the Christmas Lighting contest. Winners are as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Ilo Scovill
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Glenda Sutlief
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - David Knudsen

**CLERK** \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCILMEMBER CAROL THINNES MOVED to approve the 2009 contract with Y-W. Voting resulted:

YES:	6
NO:	0

Mayor Stackhouse declared motion carried.

COUNCILMEMBER MARK NORMAN MOVED to approve the exemption from audit request with

Scott Szabo. Voting resulted:

YES: 6  
NO: 0

Mayor Stackhouse declared motion carried.

Brandee mentioned that both she and Mike will be attending a grant writing class that will be hosted in Yuma on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

**MISCELLANEOUS** \_\_\_\_\_

Next regular council meeting is February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.

**ADJOURNMENT** \_\_\_\_\_

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made that the meeting adjourn. The vote of Council was unanimously in favor. Mayor Stackhouse declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

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Brandee Bullard  
Town Clerk / Treasurer

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Sue W. Stackhouse  
Mayor