

TOWN OF HOCHATOWN
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 24, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.
Hocha Town Hall - 101 Rock Oak Lane - Hochatown, OK 74728

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order.

Who ordered: Mayor Dian Jordan
Time: 1:00pm

2. Roll Call of Board of Trustees.

Trustee Name	Present	Absent
Howard Haggard	Y	
Dian Jordan	Y	
Todd McDaniel	Y	
Chad Sargent	Y	
Brenda Walters	Y	

A quorum was present.

3. Recognition of Guests.

Mayor Jordan recognized the guests and thanked them for their attendance.

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action (approval, rejection, amendment and/or postponement) to approve an engagement agreement with attorney John Dorman to represent the Town of Hochatown in matters regarding the Fire Department.

Motion: To accept the engagement letter with John Dorman regarding the Fire Department

By: Todd McDaniel

Second: Chad Sargent

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Name	Vote
Howard Haggard	Y
Dian Jordan	Y
Todd McDaniel	Y
Chad Sargent	Y
Brenda Walters	Y

The motion carried.

5. **Discussion, consideration and possible action (approval, rejection, amendment and/or postponement) to approve the signing of a Letter of Support for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) regarding their application for funds to improve a section of U.S. Highway 259 through the Fiscal Year 2025 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program.**

Motion: To sign the Letter of Support for the RAISE Grant application.

By: Brenda Walters

Second: Howard Haggard

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Name	Vote
Howard Haggard	Y
Dian Jordan	Y
Todd McDaniel	Y
Chad Sargent	Y
Brenda Walters	Y

The motion carried.

6. **Discussion, consideration and possible action (approval, rejection, amendment and/or postponement) to provide the Mayor and Town Administrator authorization to sign documents associated with the Kiamichi Economic Development District of Oklahoma (KEDDO) Reap Grant in the amount of \$125,000.00 grant to pave Old Hochatown Road.**

Motion: To authorize the Mayor and Town Administrator to sign documents associated with the Kiamichi Economic Development District of Oklahoma REAP Grant in the amount of \$125,000 to pave Old Hochatown Road.

By: Todd McDaniel

Second: Brenda Walters

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Name	Vote
Howard Haggard	Y
Dian Jordan	Y
Todd McDaniel	Y
Chad Sargent	Y
Brenda Walters	Y

The motion carried.

7. **Discussion, consideration and possible action (approval, rejection, amendment and/or**

postponement) to enter into an Executive Session for the following purpose:

- a. Pursuant to Title 25 of Oklahoma Statute, § 307(B)(1), to discuss the possible hiring of Michael Schafer as Fire Chief for the Town of Hochatown.
- b. Pursuant to Title 25 of Oklahoma Statute, § 307(B)(3), to discuss the appraisal of real property.

Motion: To enter into Executive Session.

By: Chad Sargent

Second: Howard Haggard

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Name	Vote
Howard Haggard	Y
Dian Jordan	Y
Todd McDaniel	Y
Chad Sargent	Y
Brenda Walters	Y

The motion carried, the Board left the room and entered into Executive Session.

Time: 1:04 p.m.

8. Reconvene Open Session.

Motion: To reconvene in Open Session.

By: Chad Sargent

Second: Brenda Walters

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Name	Vote
Howard Haggard	Y
Dian Jordan	Y
Todd McDaniel	Y
Chad Sargent	Y
Brenda Walters	Y

The motion carried and the Board reconvened in Open Session.

Time: 2:17 p.m.

9. Statement of Executive Session Minutes from Board of Trustees.

Mayor Dian Jordan delivered the Statement of Executive Session Minutes:

Regarding Agenda Item 7a. – The Board made an offer to Michael Schafer for \$80,000 a year salary to be the Hochatown Fire Chief, \$8,000 moving stipend, and three months severance if for some reason the Town of Hochatown does not start the fire department. The offer was accepted with the start date on or about March 17, 2025.

Regarding Agenda Item 7b. – The Board, after review of the appraisal properties, will be making an offer on two properties and authorizing the Town Administrator to negotiate a purchase contract on the 14.45 acre and a 1.8 acre property within the Town of Hochatown.

10. Discussion, consideration and possible action (approval, rejection, amendment and/or postponement) on any discussion from the Executive Session.

Motion: To accept all items from the Executive Session.

By: Brenda Walters

Second: Chad Sargent

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Name	Vote
Howard Haggard	Y
Dian Jordan	Y
Todd McDaniel	Y
Chad Sargent	Y
Brenda Walters	Y

The motion carried.

11. Discussion, consideration and possible action to adjourn.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

By: Todd McDaniel

Second: Chad Sargent

Roll Call Vote:

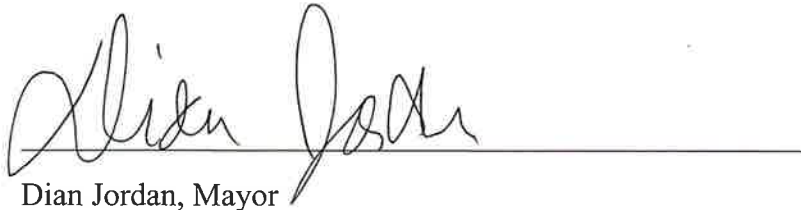
Trustee Name	Vote
Howard Haggard	Y
Dian Jordan	Y
Todd McDaniel	Y
Chad Sargent	Y
Brenda Walters	Y

The motion carried.


Time: 2:21 p.m.



Howard Haggard, Trustee



Dian Jordan, Mayor



Todd McDaniel, Trustee

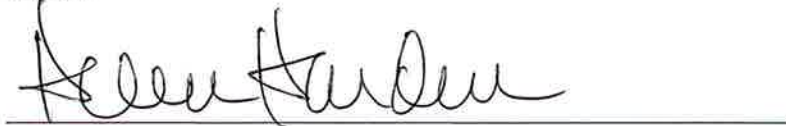


Chad Sargent, Trustee



Brenda Walters, Trustee

Attest:



Helen Harden, Town Clerk

