



**LUCAMA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024  
LUCAMA TOWN HALL  
BOARD ROOM**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor, Matthew Creech, (hereinafter “Mayor Creech”) called to order the special-called meeting of the Town of Lucama Board of Commissioners (hereinafter “Board”) at 6 pm on April 9, 2024.

**2. Roll Call**

Mayor Creech conducted roll call – by use of sign-in. The following were present:

Commissioner, David Johnson (hereinafter “Comm. D. Johnson”) via phone  
Commissioner, Jeff Johnson (hereinafter “Comm. J. Johnson”)  
Commissioner, Kim Joyner (hereinafter “Comm. Joyner”)  
Commissioner, Jody Teague (hereinafter “Comm. Teague”)  
Interim Town Administrator, Ralph Clark (hereinafter “Admin. Clark”)  
Town Clerk, Dena Owens (hereinafter “Clerk Owens”)

**3. Nomination**

Mayor Creech stated that the reason for the special-called meeting was to fill the vacancy on the Board for Comm. Michael Best’s resignation, whose term expires in 2025.

Mayor Creech opened the floor for nominations.

Attorney DuSablón reminded the Board that it was decided in the previous meeting that the decision would be made by the motion and vote method.

Comm. Joyner said that she would like to nominate Dennis Ford. Mayor Creech asked if it would be permissible to informally interview the candidate. Attorney DuSablón said that since the motion and vote method was what was chosen, it could be helpful for folks to talk about people that they have in mind or people who have approached them. Once the Board hears from some, a motion can be made for a candidate.

Mayor Creech mentioned that there were a couple of candidates that had approached him, Jeff Denton and Victoria Medeiros.

Mayor Creech asked Comm. J. Johnson if there was anyone he was interested in nominating. Comm. J. Johnson's previous candidate, James Parker, is not available currently due to work constraints.

Mayor Creech asked Comm. D. Johnson if he was interested in making a nomination. Comm. D. Johnson reminded the Board that he was interested in nominating Judy Mason, a previous Town commissioner.

*MOTION: Comm. Joyner made a motion to appoint Dennis Ford to fill the vacancy on the Board; seconded by Comm. Teague.*

Discussion on the motion was brought to the floor by Mayor Creech.

Mayor Creech requested the opportunity to ask Mr. Ford the following questions:

Questions by Mayor Creech, answers by Mr. Ford.

- How long have you lived in Town? "Over 45 years."
- What would you like to see done in the Town? "I'd like the Town to continue on the path that it is on, which is upgrades to infrastructure. I think we are doing that well. Other than that, I don't have anything specific in mind. I think that would be the main thing, infrastructure updates."
- Do you feel as if you were voted in, that you would be able to feel comfortable on a committee. "Yes"
- Do you feel you would be able to take the lead on some of those things? "If you needed me to, I sure could."

*MOTION CARRIED AS FOLLOWS: Yea, Comm. J. Johnson, Comm. Joyner, Comm. Teague. Nay, Comm. D. Johnson. Motion passed.*

#### **4. Adjournment**

Mayor Creech adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:10 pm, April 9, 2024, upon motion of Board.

*MOTION: Motion was made to adjourn by Comm. Teague; seconded by Comm. J. Johnson. Motion passed by unanimous vote.*

*Respectfully Submitted: Dena Owens, Town Clerk*