The Organizational Meeting of the Otsego City Commission was held Monday, November 11, 2024.

Mayor Withee called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following Commissioners present: Lauri Krueger, Wayne Rayburn, and Jason Smith. Absent: Chuck Moore Jr. Also present City Manager, Aaron Mitchell.

The audience joined the commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Smith moved to excuse Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Krueger. CARRIED

On a motion by Commissioner Krueger, seconded by Commissioner Smith the minutes of the previous meeting on November 4, 2024, were approved as submitted.

Clerk Cronen gave the uncertified report of the Board of Canvassers for the General Election held November 5, 2024. The total number of votes cast in the City of Otsego was 2,100.

Candidates received the following votes:

Regular Terms
Wayne Rayburn – 1004 Votes
Stacey Withee – 983 Votes

2 Year Terms
Jason Smith – 943 Votes

According to the provisions of the City Charter, Wayne Rayburn and Stacey Withee were elected to the Otsego City Commission for four-year terms ending November 2028, and Jason Smith was elected to the Otsego City Commission for a two-year term, ending November 2026.

Commissioner Comments:
Commissioner Krueger thanked Clerk Cronen for the administration of the election.

Commissioner Rayburn congratulated Mayor Withee and Commissioner Smith. He also thanked Clerk Cronen.

Mayor Withee congratulated Commissioner Rayburn and Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Krueger moved to adjourn sine die, seconded by Commissioner Smith. CARRIED. 7:33 p.m.

Clerk Cronen administered the Oath of Office to Commissioners Withee, Smith and Rayburn.

At 7:36 p.m., Clerk Cronen resumed the organizational meeting of the Otsego City Commission with the following Commissioners present: Stacey Withee, Lauri Krueger, Jason Smith and Wayne Rayburn. Absent: Chuck Moore Jr. Also present City Manager, Aaron Mitchell.

Commissioner Withee moved to excuse Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Rayburn. CARRIED

Clerk Cronen opened nominations for the Office of Mayor.

Commissioner Smith nominated Commissioner Withee as City of Otsego Mayor, seconded by Commissioner Krueger. CARRIED -

Mayor Withee offered the name of Commissioner Krueger for Mayor Pro-Tem.
Commissioner Smith moved to confirm Mayor Withee's appointment of Commissioner Krueger as Mayor Pro-Tem, seconded by Commissioner Rayburn. CARRIED

Public Comments:
None.

Commissioner Comments:
Mayor Withee – she thanked the citizens for re-electing her to a four-year term.
Commissioner Krueger – she commented that Mayor Withee is always out and about within the community and represents the City Commission very well.
Commissioner Smith & Commissioner Rayburn – concurred with Commissioner Krueger's comments and added that she always listens and works with the Commissioners.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mayor Withee, seconded by Commissioner Rayburn. CARRIED 7:41 p.m.

Angela M. Cronen, CMC
City Clerk