Town of Ixonia
Town Board
Minutes
May 8th, 2023

Call to Order and Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
Chairman Goetsch called the meeting of the Town of Ixonia Town Board to order at approximately 7:00 pm.

Roll call was taken with the following in attendance: Chairman Perry Goetsch, Supervisor Carl Jaeger, Supervisor Brian Derge, Supervisor Rick Ziegler, and Supervisor Dan Rupnow.

Also, Present: Fire Chief Brett Meints, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Jaeger, Highway Transfer/Recycling Superintendent Dave Schilling, Hwy Superintendent Dennis Lillge, Park & Rec Heather Harris and Clerk/Treasurer Nancy J. Zastrow

The pledge was recited by those present.

Proof of Posting and Notice
The agenda was posted at the Town Hall, Ixonia Bank and Post Office and posted on the website.

Approval of Minutes – April 10th, 2023
Supervisor Derge moved, seconded by Supervisor Jaeger to approve the April 10th , 2023 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report
a) *Approve April 2023 Financial Report*

Supervisor Jaeger moved seconded by Supervisor Derge to approve the March financial report as presented and to put on file for the audit. Motion carried.

Jefferson County Sheriff's Department Report and/or Jefferson County Supervisor Report
County Board Supervisor Bruce Degner stated he had nothing to report, stating he gave the report from the last County Board meeting at the Annual meeting.

Plan Commission
a) *Discussion and Action regarding a request by Christopher Fetzer to rezone all of parcel #012-0816-2143-002 (8.92 acres) FROM Business to A-2 with a conditional use for proposed mini-warehousing/storage units along Oak Drive. The property is owned by Durelle Chopp Trust*

Logan Farrow – Keller Construction gave the presentation of the project. The developer has agreed to leave a 100' buffer of trees on the north side of the property to screen from the residential properties. They have also agreed no tree over 2" in diameter would be cut, they will fence the property, security lighting that matches the ordinance and have security system on site. House of operation will be 6:00 am – 11:00 pm, not 24/7.

Chairman Goetsch stated the Plan Commission unanimously approved with the above conditions.

Supervisor Rupnow stated he has an issue with the driveway location. Discussion followed. Supervisor Ziegler asked if there was any objection from the neighbors. The document presented by Mr. Farrow addressed the concerns of the neighbors and was included in the agenda packet for the board to review.

Durell Chopp – Vista Drive stated she is the current property owner and asked for clarification if the restrictions would only be for this project or if this does not happen will the restrictions be with the property. These restrictions are only for this project.

Supervisor Derge stated this is the best thing to go on that parcel.

Supervisor Derge moved to approve the request to rezone all of parcel #012-0816-2143-002 (8.92 acres) from Business to A-2 with a conditional use for proposed mini-warehousing/storage units along Oak Drive with the following conditions: there will be no outdoor storage, site will follow town lighting ordinance, security fencing and secure user entry, 100 feet of woods on north property line will be preserved with no tree 2" diameter or larger being removed and the boundary of the property will be fenced, with north fence to the south side of the tree line and tress with a minimum of 6' high will be planted along the borders of the property on the west and south sides. Supervisor Jaeger seconded the motion and carried.

b) *Discussion and Action regarding a request to amend the motion to install slated fencing and instead plant trees or other screening for Mortenson at W1265 Linden Road, Ixonia*

Corey Heiman, W1265 Linden Road explained he came to Plan Commission and Town Board in November of 2022 regarding expansion of their yard. Plan Commission asked that they put up privacy slates on the fence. The cost of this would be over $95,000 and they are wondering if the same thing could be accomplished with trees.

Chairman Goetsch stated the Plan Commission unanimously approved the new landscaping plan. Discussion followed.

The trees will be black spruce and arbor vitae and they plan to plant them at 4' and will grow to be 15' arbor vitae and 35' spruce.

Kim Drost – N8346 North Street – stated she is all for planting trees but wondered about the black walnut spruce.

Supervisor Derge moved, seconded by Supervisor Ziegler to approve the change from fence to landscaping plan for Mortenson at W1265 Linden Road. Motion carried.

c) *Discussion and Action regarding a request from Steve Daniels of Global Containment Solutions to expand the outdoor storage at W1361 Elmwood Drive, Parcel 012-0816-2141-012 currently owned by Randy Forseth*

Steve Daniels explained he has a sales agreement in place with Randy Forseth to purchase the property. He would like to use a ½ acre of the property for outdoor storage for his equipment which is primarily, F350, E350 vans and trailers during the off season.

Chairman Goetsch stated the Plan Commission unanimously approved the additional outdoor storage with crushed asphalt surface.

Supervisor Derge asked about the access along the building. Mr. Daniels stated he is purchasing the entire parcel and will run a driveway over to this storage area with the dust free surface.

Supervisor Derge moved to approve the extended outside storage area of approximately ½ acre with crushed asphalt surface on the area. Supervisor Jaeger seconded the motion and carried.

Discussion and Action regarding Official Depository and Official Newspaper for 2023-2024

a) *Designate – Ixonia Bank – Official Depository, Premier Bank and Local Government Investment Pool – Secondary*

Clerk/Treasurer Zastrow explained this must be done annually approving the depository. Staff recommends Ixonia Bank.

Supervisor Ziegler moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to approve Ixonia Bank as primary depository and Premier Bank and Local Investment Pool as secondary. Motion carried.

b) *Designate – Watertown Daily Times – Official Newspaper*

Supervisor Jaeger moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to designate Watertown Daily Times as the Official Newspaper for the Town of Ixonia. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action regarding a Special Event Application for Race Day Events, Brad Rogstad, to conduct a race day on August 16, 2023 – starting location Ixonia Firemen's Park

Kit Daley from EUA – explained their firm is based in Milwaukee/Madison and they have been hosting this bicycle ride for 18 years in various locations. They had been running it from the Concord House but want to change this year. They found Chivaree and will be having a reception after the ride at Chivaree and felt the park would be perfect for staging the bike ride. This year the money raised will go to Boys & Girls Club of America. She stressed, this is not a race, just a bike ride with four different routes and between 300 – 350 riders.

Brad Rogstad – stated they will set up aid stations and rest areas along the route. They will also have vans driving the routes to render help for anyone. He stated they will be riding into other communities and they will reach out to them.

Chairman Goetsch stated we have a lot of road projects for this summer and they may need to re-route. Mr. Rogstad said flexibility is critical and they understand. Supervisor Jaeger stated these are country roads and they need to stay on their side of the road, riding single file. Mr. Rogstad stated they instruct the riders to ride single file. He also said the ride would begin around 7:00 am.

County Board Supervisor Degner asked if the Jefferson County Highway Department was aware of the ride, they are using several county roads for the ride. Mr. Rogstad stated they will be in contact with the county and also the Sheriff's Department.

Kim Drost stated that the event held this past Sunday, participants or spectators used their church parking area. She asked that the town gives a warning so they can put signs up.

Supervisor Jaeger moved to approve, Supervisor Derge seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Highway Department

a) *Discussion and Possible Action giving staff direction to add to the Town No Parking Resolution Hustisford Road, River Road and Overland Drive*

Hwy Superintendent Lillge explained the County Highway Department put No Parking by the bike trail, but people are parking along these roads to gain access to the Interurban Trail. The Sheriff's Department has stated we would need to implement No Parking on the road for them to enforce.

Chairman Goetsch stated he received a call from Kevin Weseman from the Parks Department and Brian Udovich from Highway Department. They said they will pay for the signs and installation wherever the town wants the signs.

Supervisor Rupnow asked if Hustisford Road would be from Hwy P to Hwy 16. Lillge stated there are already four signs located on Hustisford Road by the trail stating No Parking, we would be adding more along Hustisford Road, Overland Drive and River Road.

Supervisor Derge state the town needs to try to do something, noting when people are unloading and loading bikes and little children they dart out into traffic and the vision in the area is not good. Chief Meints stated that as a citizen, how will people have access to the trail, with no parking they won't be able to use the trail. Supervisor Derge stated the county has stated they will not put an effort into enforcement unless we have a Resolution on file.

Supervisor Derge moved to adopt Resolution 2023-03-R No Parking on Hustisford Road, River Road and Overland Drive as noted in resolution. Supervisor Ziegler seconded the motion and carried.

b) Update on crack filli

Highway Superintendent Lillge explained the subdivision in Deer Creek was spot patched with stone over the top and it stays loose. We cannot sweep for another two weeks. Highway crew attempted to clean up, but we need to wait until it settles in. Residents are calling Town Hall and complaining and he wanted to inform the board so they know what is going on in case they are contacted.

c) *Update on purchase of 1 ton truck new vs used*

Highway Superintendent Lillge reported that Ben Degner and Dennis drove to Louisville KY to look at the truck. He said when they arrived the truck had a flat tire, air conditioning was broke and the truck bed was in bad shape. It was not what they expected. In the meantime, while in Kentucky notification was received the new truck in in the system to be built. We will wait for the new truck to arrive.

Fire Department

a) Monthly report for Fire & EMS

Chief Meints gave the monthly run report.

b) Discussion and Action approving Jack Zwisler and Mike Gartzke as members of the department

Chief Meints presented Jack Zwisler and Mike Gartzke as new members of the department. They have gone through the peer review process and are recommended for approval. Chief stated they will be great additions to the department.

Supervisor Jaeger moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to approve Jack Zwisler and Mike Gartzke as members of the department. Motion carried.

c) *Discussion and Action regarding Resolution #2023-02-R for Fire Inspection fees to $50/annually and define per parcel or structure*

Chief Meints explained currently we are charging storage units one inspection fee, but other properties with more than one building get charged multiple. There does not seem to be a defined per building or per property. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Derge would like some time to think about this, storage units have one common area and the incubator building has several units. Supervisor Rupnow would also like time to think over. Supervisor Derge wants to make the charges fair and cover some of the expenses incurred with the inspection.

Staff was directed to continue charging $22/inspection until this is brought back for further discussion.

Park & Recreation Commission

a) *Discussion and Action regarding hiring Nolan Burzlaff for the position of Summer Help for the parks*

Heather Harris explained the committee is recommending Nolan Burzlaff for summer help. This was a unanimous recommendation.

Supervisor Jaeger moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to approve Nolan Burzlaff for the position of Summer Help for the parks. Motion carried.

b) *Update on Movie Night sponsored by Ixonia Bank*

Ms. Harris explained Ixonia Bank is working with the Park & Recreation Committee to host a Movie in the Park on August 3rd with rain date of August 7th. This will be held in the Hardball Park. Ixonia Bank will be promoting the event and the concession stand will be open with all proceeds going towards the new playground equipment at Firemen's Park.

Transfer/Recycling Committee

a) *Discussion and Action regarding hiring Eric Van Lare to work at Transfer Site*

Transfer Superintendent Dave Schilling presented Eric Van Lare as the 4th staff person to work at the Transfer Site.

Supervisor Jaeger moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to approve Eric Van Lare as the 4th employee at the Transfer Site. Motion carried.

Utility District #1

a) *Discussion and Action authorizing Pay Request #1 to Staab Construction Corporation for WWTP in the amount of $391,931.05*

This is the first pay request for the new WWTP has been submitted. The payment will be made when the Clean Water Fund loan is closed. The Town Board must approve the pay request.

Supervisor Derge moved, seconded by Supervisor Jaeger to approve Pay Request #1 to Staab Construction in the amount of $391,931.05. Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings

Town Board Meeting – June 12, 2023
Town Board Audit Presentation – June 19th, 2023 @ 6:00 pm
Plan Commission – May 24th @ 7:00 pm
Recycling Committee Meeting _ July 11th, 2023 @ 1:00 pm
Park & Recreation Committee – June 12th, 2023 @ 5:00 pm
Ixonia Fire Dept. Officer's Meeting – June 7th, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

Board of Review – May 16th from 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Motion to Adjourn
Supervisor Jaeger moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to adjourn the May 8th, 2023 Town Board meeting at approximately 8:11 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Zastrow
Clerk/Treasurer