Town of Ixonia
Town Board
Minutes
February 12th, 2024

Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
Chairman Goetsch called the February 12, 2024 Town Board meeting to order at approximately 7:00 pm.

Roll Call was taken: Chairman Perry Goetsch, Supervisor Brian Derge, Supervisor Carl Jaeger and Supervisor Dan Rupnow.

Absent: Supervisor Rick Ziegler

Also present: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Jaeger, Highway Superintendent Dennis Lillge, Utility Plant Manager Jeff Wegner, Transfer Superintendent Dave Schilling, Park & Recreation Andrew Beaudette, Chief Brett Meints, Attorney Luke Martell and Clerk/Treasurer Nancy J. Zastrow

Award Presentation by Chief Meints for Life Saving Measures performed on November 4th, 2023 – honoring Ixonia Fire & EMS, Jefferson County Dispatch and Watertown Fire & EMS Department
Chief Meints gave a presentation on the Life Saving Measures performed on November 4th, 2023 saving the life of Peter Prochnow. He presented the award to Barb Nyland, Jefferson County Dispatchers Megan Gile, Natalie Veal and Robert Krueger, City of Watertown Paramedics Autumn Steggall, Tanner Hanson, Benjamin Patterson; EMS Captain Ralph Wandersee, Firefighter-Paramedic Cory Schultz, Advance EMT Joel Saeger, Sr. MPO Firefighter Mark Kurtz and Chief Brett Meints.

Mr. Prochnow stated thank you is an understatement, he is very grateful and humbled. Chairman Goetsch acknowledged the men and women whose heroics saved Mr. Prochnow.

Proof of Posting and Notice
Clerk Zastrow confirmed the agenda was posted on the Town Website, Ixonia Bank, Ixonia Post Office and front door of Town Hall.

Approval of Minutes – January 15th, 2024 and January 22, 2024

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to approve minutes from January 14th and January 22nd as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report
a) Approve January 2024 Financial Report
b) 2023 Financial Report
c)

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to approve the Treasurer Report as presented and to be put on file for the Auditors. Motion carried.

Jefferson County Sheriff's Department Report and/or Jefferson County Supervisor Report

County Supervisor Degner gave his report. He noted the last major snow event in January caused some issues. He explained the county covers over 1100 lane miles and they have 26 pieces of equipment. This was a major storm.

There is a Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting scheduled for February 29th. There will be a representative from CP Rail giving a presentation. If anyone is interested in participating or watching the meeting they can reach out to him for more information.

A Deputy from the Sheriff's Department was present. He stated there is an uptick of thefts in the Industrial Park.

Plan Commission

a) *Discussion and Possible Action regarding a preliminary and final CSM for St. Paul's Lutheran Church, this is an amendment to the CSM approved in November*

Rick Jaeger, representing St. Paul's Lutheran explained the school needs additional space. They purchased land from the Finley's and are requesting approval of the CSM, Rezone and Conditional Use Permit.

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to approve the preliminary and final CSM for St. Paul's Lutheran Church as presented. Motion carried.

b) *Discussion and Action regarding a request by Rick Jaeger on behalf of St. Paul's Lutheran Church to rezone part of parcel 012-0816-0824-000 owned by Lawrence T. Finley Trust and Donna Schueler Trust from A-1 to A-2. Request is to also rezone all of parcel 012-0816-0824-003 owned by St. Paul's Lutheran Church from A-3 to A-2 and to combine the rezoned parcels with parcel 012-0816-0824-001 and existing A-2 lot to create one 7.275-acre lot*

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to approve the rezone as presented. Motion carried.

c) *Discussion and Action regarding a request by Rick Jaeger on behalf of St. Paul's Lutheran for a conditional use to allow for playground area for the school on the newly created A-2 zoned parcel. The site is at W1956 Gopher Hill Road*

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to approve the conditional use on the entire parcel including any future projects. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action regarding approval of Cindy Bourassa as an Election Inspector the 2024-2025 election cycle

Clerk/Treasurer Zastrow explained Cindy Bourassa would like to serve as an Election Inspector for Ixonia. She previously served in the Town of Concord.

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to approve Cindy Bourassa to serve as an Election Inspector for the 2024-2025 cycle. Motion carried.

Discussion and Possible Action regarding Ordinance amending Successor Agreement with the Lake Country Municipal Court

Clerk/Treasurer Zastrow explained this is an amendment to the agreement with Lake Country Municipal Court which needs approval from all participating entities to allow another community to join the court.

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to approve ordinance as requested. Motion carried.

Transfer/Recycling Committee

a) *Discussion and Action regarding Budget Amendment in the amount of $15,717.86 revenues to be transferred to Transfer/Recycling New Equipment Fund*

Chairman Goetsch explained at the January meeting the budget amendment for the profits from the transfer funds was not included. He recommends this be approved to be used for future expansion of the site to a possible new location.

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to approve Budget Amendment in the amount of $15,717.86 which is the unused revenue from the transfer budget to be transferred to Transfer/Recycling New Equipment Fund. Motion carried.

b) *Update and approval of repairing the single and three phase electric at Transfer/Recycling Center by B & K Electric – not to exceed $5,000.00 with funds coming from the New Equipment account*

Transfer Superintendent D. Schilling explained they need to repair the single and three phase service pole which is weather beaten and broken away. The meter is hanging by a conduit. He has contacted B & K Electric to do the repairs. Cost will be less than $5,000.00.

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to approve B & K Electric to perform the repairs to the electric panel at the Transfer/Recycling Center in an amount not to exceed $5,000.00 and the funds to come from New Equipment Fund. Motion carried.

Fire Department

a) *Monthly report for Fire & EMS*

Chief Meints gave the monthly repost for the department. He stated it was another busy month for them.

b) *Discussion and Action approving the 2024 Officers as presented*

Chief Meints presented the slate of elected officers for the department for 2024:

Fire Captain	Patrick Schultz
Fire Lt.	Cory Schultz
EMS Captain	Ralph Wandersee
EMS 1st Lt.	Joshua Bull
EMS 2nd Lt	Joel Saeger
Dept. Sec'y	Nicole Snell

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to approve the elected officers for the department for 2024. Motion carried.

Utility District

a) *Discussion and Action approving pay request #10 in the amount of $934,849.40 for Staab Construction for new WWTP*

Donohue Engineers has submitted the tenth payment for Staab Construction at the WWTP. Supervisor Rupnow asked to see the full report that comes with the draw.

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to approve pay request #10 for

Staab Construction in the amount of $934,849.40. Motion carried.

b) *Discussion and Action regarding approval of purchase of Basket for UD #1 in the amount of $17,232.00*

Utility Plant Manager Wegner explained he is asking for approval to purchase a new Fine Screen Basket. This was part of the budget for $15,000, but the price has increased another $2,000. This will need to be replaced soon and will have larger holes then the current basket. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to approve the purchase of a Fine Screen Basket for UD #1 in the amount of $17,232.00. Motion carried.

c) *Discussion and Action regarding approval of new sewer rate for the BP Car Wash as suggested by the financial advisor and rate study*

Deputy Clerk Jaeger explained when the new rates for sewer were approved, the board never set the rate for the car wash. She has been in contact with Brian Roemer from Ehler's and his calculation is to raise the rate to $19/thousand gallons. Staff is looking for approval.

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to approve the $19/thousand charge as recommended. Motion carried.

Highway Department

a) *Discussion, direction and possible action regarding possible road projects for 2024*

Highway Superintendent Dennis Lillge and Robert Wielgos – ra Smith presented the proposed road projects for 2024. They also presented the preliminary costs for these roads. R. Wielgos Explained they looked at the scope for the work and are proposing projects where we can get the most for our money. Discussion followed.

Chairman Goetsch stated that just because we are going out for bids for these projects does not mean we have to accept them all. We will see where the costs come in.

Supervisor Derge moved, second by Supervisor Jaeger to authorize staff to prepare and go out for bid for the 2024 road projects. Motion carried.

b) *Discussion and Action approving the recommended person for hire to fill position of Highway Crew/Mechanic at the Highway Department*

Highway Superintendent Lillge explained we advertised the position currently for Public Works Crewman. The interview panel was Ben Degner, Dennis Lillge, Ryan Lipovsek and Chairman Goetsch. There were nine (9) applications received and interviewed five (5). They would like to offer the position to Jon Jensen from Oconomowoc. He has a good background in mechanics, has his CDL and semi and will be a good fit for the department.

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to approve the hiring of Jon Jensen for the Public Works Crewman position as recommended. Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings:

Town Board Meeting – March 11th, 2024 @ 7:00 pm
Plan Commission – February 28th, 2024 (if needed)
Recycling Committee Meeting – February 13, 2024 @ 1:00 pm
Park & Recreation Committee – March 11th, 2024 @ 5:00 pm
Ixonia Fire Dept. Officer's Meeting – March 7th, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Spring Primary Election, Tuesday, February 20th – 7:00 am – 8:00 pm

Motion to Adjourn

Supervisor Jaeger moved, second by Supervisor Derge to adjourn the February 12th, 2024 Town Board meeting at approximately 7:53 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Zastrow
Clerk/Treasurer