

THE TOWN OF IXONIA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 10, 2025

1. Call to Order & Roll Call: Chairman Brian Derge called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Supervisors present included Dave Kester, Rick Ziegler, Amy Rinard and Dan Ruppnow.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: All those in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Minutes: October 13, 2025 & October 21, 2025: Rinard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for the October 13th meeting and October 21st meeting. Kester seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
4. Public Comment – Persons wishing to speak will be allowed three (3) minutes to address the board: Mike Tubman W1133 Deer Creek Circle; Mr. Tubman was concerned about parking on Deer Creek Circle, that there is a neighbor parking on the street overnight and there is a sight hazard. He is requesting the town enforce the no parking ordinance.

Peter Mark W1786 Rockvale Road; Reported on the turnout of Fall Fest, thanking the commission for the help, Culver's for the donation of coupons for free ice cream, the vendors who participated in the event. He thanked Chris Griswald and Rick Ziegler for all their work and the Fire Association for their donation to the costume contest prizes.

5. Treasurer's Financial Report: October 2025: Kester made a motion to approve the reports as presented. Rinard seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
6. Jefferson County Sheriff's Department and/or Jefferson County Supervisor Report: A sheriff Deputy was present for any comments or questions, upon hearing none, the Deputy left the meeting.

County Board Supervisor Bruce Degner informed the group that a hearing was held at the State Capital regarding Assembly Bill 559 regarding utility payments to municipalities. Jefferson County Administrator Michael Luckey, Town Chairman Brian Derge and Bruce attended the hearing to provide support of the bill and testimony regarding how important it is to the municipalities. Degner stated that the formula for calculating the payout needs to be revised, it was configured 40 years ago.

Degner also handed out a study that was completed by UW Madison regarding EMS services.

7. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Consider and possible action regarding appointments to the Plan Commission:
 1. Dean Loppnow – Ruppnow made a motion to approve appointing Dean Loppnow to the Plan Commission for a 3-year term. Rinard seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
 2. Jason Moss – Derge made a motion to appoint Jason Moss to the Plan Commission for a 3-year term. Kester seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
8. New Business:
 - a. Consider and possibly act on pay request #3 from Kartechner Brothers LLC in the amount of \$442,384.82 for the 2025 road project: Rinard made a motion to approve payment request #3 from Kartechner Brothers LLC in the amount of \$442,384.82. Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
 - b. Consider and possible action regarding the Plan Commission recommendation on the proposed zoning ordinance amendment for accessory dwelling units throughout Jefferson County: Rinard made a motion to approve the Plan Commission recommendation for the proposed zoning ordinance amendment on accessory dwelling units by Jefferson County. Kester seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0
 - c. Consider and possible action regarding special event application from Eppstein Uhen Tennessen Foundation to use Fireman's Park for a bike race to be held on August 19, 2026: Rinard made a motion to approve the special event and use of Fireman's Park for August 19, 2026, bike event. Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.

- d. Consider and possible action regarding the 2026 fee schedule: This item was for review only; no decision was made at this time. This item will be placed on the December meeting agenda.
 - e. Consider and possible action on renewing the Delta Dental of Wisconsin insurance for employees effective 1/1/26: Rinard made a motion to approve renewing the Delta Dental and Vision for 2026. Ruppnow seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
 - f. Consider and possible action regarding granting permission to the Highway Superintendent Ben Degner to work with a public claims adjuster for hail damaged roofs: Highway Superintendent explained that the insurance company has denied the metal roof hail damage claims. Degner also explained that the damage could result in breakdown of their life span and cause them to be replaced sooner. It was recommended to him to have an independent appraiser review the roofs. This is a free service. Rinard made a motion to allow Highway Superintendent Degner to consult with an independent consultant regarding the metal roofs. Ruppnow seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
 - g. Consider and possible action regarding the purchase of a pipe and cable locator in the amount of \$2,081.28: Highway Superintendent Degner explained that the funds would come from the ditching and culvert budgeted item. Ruppnow made a motion to approve the purchase of the cable locator in the amount of \$2,081.28. Kester seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
 - h. Consider and possible action to place sale proceeds from tandem axel trailer from transfer site to be placed in the new equipment fund: Rinard made a motion to approve the placement of sale proceeds for the trailer to be allocated to the transfer site's equipment replacement fund. Ruppnow seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
 - i. Update on WE Energies LNG plant: Carl Jaeger gave an update to state that WE Energies has replaced all the dead trees at the LNG Plant and has mowed all the weeds. The trees were all replaced by October 31st.
9. Chairman: Chairman Derge reported his attending a hearing at the State Capital regarding the utility payments that municipalities are to receive from the state.
10. Supervisor Reports
- a. Dave Kester: Nothing
 - b. Amy Rinard: Nothing
 - c. Daniel Rupnow: Nothing
 - d. Rick Ziegler: Nothing
11. Staff Updates
- a. Clerk/Treasurer Lesser: Lesser gave an update on the conversion to the .gov domain and how slow the process is due to the equipment that the town has been operating with. So far, the three office computers have been converted.
 - b. Highway Superintendent Degner: Degner reported that the town hall and fire dept/hwy shop roofs have been replaced, and the gutters will be finished soon. Marietta Avenue is drivable but it is not complete, waiting on the line painting to be completed. Parks are winterized.
 - c. Fire & EMS Interim Chief Sauer Monthly report – October 2025: Ethan Brockway reported that the call volume was about the same as last month and that they are at 300 calls YTD, the annual call volume is still anticipated to reach 359 for 2025.
12. Upcoming Meetings:
- Special Elector Meeting/Public Hearing, Special Town Board Meeting – November 17, 2025 @ 6 pm
 - Plan Commission – November 25, 2025 @ 7 pm (if needed)
 - Ixonia Fire Dept. Officer's Meeting – December 3, 2025 @ 6:30 pm
 - Park and Recreation Meeting – December 1, 2025 @ 5 pm
 - Town Board Meeting – December 8, 2025 @ 7 pm
- The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed.
13. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm by a motion made by Kester and seconded by Rinard. Motion carried, 5-0.