

**REGULAR MEETING MINTUES OF
THE TOWN OF IXONIA
April 13, 2026**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call: Chairman Brian Derge called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Supervisor's present included David Kester, Amy Rinard, Dan Rupnow and Rick Ziegler.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: All those present stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Minutes: March 9, 2026, March 17, 2026: Rinard made a motion to approve the March 9th meeting minutes with corrections and March 17th meeting minutes as presented. Kester seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
4. Public Comment – Peter Mark, Chairman of the Park and Recreation Commission talked about the turnout for the Easter egg hunt held on April 4th. It was noted that it was very well attended. Mark expressed his thankfulness to the Fireman's Association for their donation to candy and crafts, Oconomowoc School District for the use of the building and grounds, Easter Bunny Connor, the Victory 4H group for stuffing the eggs and to the Town Board for their support.

Tom Seidl listed concerns regarding the Dollar General and how it's allowed to put in a private septic within the utility district.

5. Treasurer's Financial Report: March 2026: The reports were reviewed.
6. Jefferson County Sheriff's Department and/or Jefferson County Supervisor Report: Bruce Degner thanked everyone for their confidence and support in the April election, he returns to the County Board for two more years. Degner gave an update regarding the LNG plant annual payment. Act 163 was signed by the Governor to increase the utility money that the town and county receive from the state for the LNP plant here in Ixonia. The increase in funds brings the amount up to the original amount starting in fall of 2027. Degner also reported that the interurban trail will be finished this summer ending at the Waukesha/Jefferson County line to eventually end at 2nd street in Oconomowoc, parking will be the next item for the County Highway Commissioner to look into. Degner reported on the EMS group, they have been working on funding to help EMS services within the county and a fair and equitable way to disburse that funding, possibly using mill rates. The example used for Ixonia, based on that mill rate, the town would be receiving approximately \$500 thousand. They are hoping to have the data analysis complete in early May with a presentation to the County Board in May.
7. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Consider and possible action on request from Sean Osborne and Silver Circle Sports Events LLC to hold the Lake Country Triathlon on July 25, 2026: Sean Osborne was asking for the agreement to be considered for a 4 year agreement to match the timeline that he has with the City of Oconomowoc, he further explained that this would be more efficient for his company to have them all on the same approval timeline. Rinard made a motion to approve the Lake Country Triathlon for July 25, 2026, to include the next 3 years, 2027, 2028 and 2029. Kester seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
 - b. Consider and possible action regarding extending the service contract with Donohue through December 31, 2026 in the amount of \$10,000: This service was described to help train the new operator and help facilitate the transition of employees. Kester made a motion to approve extending the service contract with Donohue for an additional \$10,000. Rinard seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
8. New Business:
 - a. Consider and possible action regarding the request from Gremer, LLC C/O David Werning to rezone from A-T to R-1 and create Autumn Ridge II subdivision with approximately 59 lots west of Woody Lane; from parcel 012-0816-2134-034, owned by Richad D & Karen J Adams Trust: Kester explained that the Plan Commission did approve recommending the Town Board approve the zone change request. Rinard made a

motion to approve the rezone request from AT to R1 for Autumn Ridge II. Kester seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.

- b. Consider and possible action on 2026 road project bids: Engineer Robert Wielgos from RA Smith informed the Board that the bid package was estimated at \$618,000, bids came in lower, the lowest bid was by Kartechner Brothers in the amount of \$454,137.82. Ziegler made a motion to approve the bid for the 2026 road projects by Kartechner Brothers in the amount of \$454,137.82, for sections 1, 2, 3, and 4. Rinard seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- c. Consider and possible action on 2026 seal coating projects: Engineer Robert Wielgos stated that Scott Construction was the low bidder for the 2026 chip seal project at \$133,200. Kester made a motion to approve the Scott Construction bid for the 2026 seal coat project in the amount of \$133,200. Rupnow seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- d. Consider and possible action to apply for local small structure improvement program (LSSIP) for T-Bar Lane: The LSSIP is the small culvert program through the state, and the culvert on T-Bar Lane was rated a 3 which is a very poor rating, as reported from Ben Degner, Public Works Superintendent. It was also explained that the program is a 90/10 split, the project is projected to cost \$329,001. Applications to the program are due May 1st, Degner would like to have Board permission to apply for the grant. Kester made a motion to approve the Town Engineer with assistance from Ben Degner, to apply for the LSSIP grant. Rinard seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- e. Consider and possible action on Special Event License for Andrew Beaudette sponsored by Ixonia Bank, A-Beaudette Services LLC & Brewfinity Beer Garden Fundraiser on May 27, 2026; 6 pm to 8 pm: Andrew Beaudette of A-Beaudette Services LLC explained to the Board that this event is a fundraiser for the new Fireman's Park playground equipment. Rinard made a motion to approve the special event application for the beer garden to be held on May 27th from 6 to 8 pm. Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- f. Consider and possible action on application for producer full-service retail sales application for Kellermeister Beverages LLC, Chad Ostram-Agent to sell fermented malt beverage for a one-day event on May 27, 2026 at Fireman's Park: Ziegler made a motion to approve the producer full-service retail sales application for Kellermeister Beverages LLC, Chad-Ostram Agent, for the beer garden at Fireman's Park on May 27th from 6 to 8 pm. Rinard seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- g. Consider and possible action for bidding of decommissioning the old wastewater treatment plant: Robert Wieglos explained that work has just begun on dismantling the old UD1 plant. The work is to remove 14,000 cubic yards of material to the new plant to create a berm. The cost estimation is approximately just under one million for this project. The WIDNR has approved using the remaining CWF loan proceeds to pay the project costs. Rinard made a motion to approve the engineering firm RA Smith to move forward with the bidding process. Rupnow seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- h. Consider and possible action to approve contracting Donohue for assistance in completing the renewal application the WPDES permit in the amount of \$14,000: Rinard made a motion to approve hiring Donohue & Associates to renew the WDPES permit for UD1 plant in the amount of \$14,000. Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- i. Consider and possible action to allow for the posting of the full-time Fire fighter/A-EMT position: Kester made a motion to approve allowing for the posting of the full-time position for Fire Fighter/A-EMT. Rupnow seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.
- j. Consider and possible action on Fermented malt beverage retail license application for Ixonia Knights; DBA Ixonia Knights, N8345 Park Street, Daniel Heinrich, Agent: Rinard made a motion to approve the Retail Class B Beer license application for Ixonia Knights, Daniel Heinrich, Agent. Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.

9. Staff Updates

- a. Clerk/Treasurer Lesser: Reported that the total number of voters for the April Election was 1,467 which resulted in a 44% voter turnout. Lesser also reported that the Badger Books have been delivered but was not in time for the April Election. There are plans to hold an open house before the August Election for the community to familiarize themselves with the equipment before the general primary.

- b. Public Works Superintendent Degner: Reported that there was trouble with ATV/Trucks running off the road along Ski Slide just north of the HWY 16 overpass. Cameras were placed in the area and an individual was caught and reported to the Sheriffs Department. Degner also reported that applications for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator position are due April 30th. Degner stated that Oliver Cnstruction will be here in June or July to go over the plans for the proposed Highway Shop. Degner also reported that the independent review of the metal roofs has been completed, and the report is being submitted to Rural Insurance.
- c. Fire & EMS Chief Sauer: Reported that the number of calls for March was 33, which brings YTD totals to 96. That's projecting 2026 to end with a total of 383. That's a 8.6% increase over 2025.

10. Closed Session:

Chairman Derge read the following notice: You are hereby notified that the Town Board of the Town of Ixonia, following all regular business, will convene into closed session.

To all those present the purpose of the meeting and the fact that the Board intends to convene in closed session for the below-delineated purposes. Upon motion duly made and seconded and acted upon by the majority of the members present as required under §19.85(1)(c), Stats., the closed session will take place which may be attended by the Town Board and staff.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; Clerk/Treasurer, WWTP Operator.

Kester made a motion to convene into closed session at 8:25 pm. Rinard seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated a unanimous voice vote.

The Board adjourned in closed session on a motion by Kester and seconded by Rinard at 8:25 pm. Motion carried, 5-0.

Jo Ann Lesser, CMC, WCMC
Clerk/Treasurer