

**Town of Ixonia
Town Board
Minutes
May 21, 2018**

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Goetsch called the meeting of the Town of Ixonia Town Board 7:00 p.m.

Roll call was taken with the following in attendance: Chairman Perry Goetsch, Supervisor Brian Derge, Supervisor Carl Jaeger and Supervisor Jeff Taylor.

Excused Absent: Supervisor Peter Mark

Also Present: Utility District Manager Jeff Wegner, Highway Superintendent Dennis Lillge, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Jaeger, Town Engineer Brandon Foss and Clerk/Treasurer Nancy J. Zastrow

2. Proof of Posting and Notice

The agenda was posted at the Town Hall, Post Office and Ixonia Bank and published in the Watertown Daily Times and also posted on the website.

3. Update on progress of former Firemen's Hall – Chivaree On Park – Kristy Kimball

Kristy Kimball was unable to attend. No report was given.

4. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Trash & Recycling contracts for Town Hall, Ixonia Firemen's Park and Fire/Highway Department

Staff has gotten three quotes for trash/recycling for the Highway Department and the Town Hall. Choice Disposal is the cheapest of the three quotes.

Supervisor Jaeger moved to approve a contract with Choice Disposal for the Town Hall trash and recycling – monthly pick-up and Choice Disposal for trash and recycling for the Highway/Fire Department – 2-yard recycling – monthly pick-up and a 2 or 4-yard dumpster to be determined by staff with weekly pick-up during the summer. Supervisor Derge seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Discussion and Possible Action regarding agreement with Town of Watertown and Overland Drive

Highway Superintendent Lillge stated the Town has received notice from the Town of Watertown that they will agree to pay for ½ of the Overland Drive road bid and they will not pay for the Engineer costs and they do not want the Town of Ixonia to shouldering their side of Overland Drive.

No formal action is required by the board.

6. Discussion and update on Treatment Plant expansion and/or replacement with Utility Plant Engineer and Department of Natural Resource Representative

Utility Plant Manager Wegner introduced the panel present for discussion. Brandon Foss – R.A. Smith, Town Engineer; Ed Nevers – Donahue; Jeremy Cramer – Donahue, Plant Engineer and Amy Garbe – DNR Agent for Utility Plant #1.

Wegner requested this meeting to discuss the status of Utility Plant for District #1. He noted the average discharge limit for the plant was set at 220,000 gallons when the plant was up graded several years ago. The calculations performed now show the plant is at capacity with 180,000 gallons and as a result it has been determined the plant is overloaded. He explained the plant cannot meet the requirements of the DNR for ammonia levels. He reinstated the current sewer plant is over loaded. He also noted discussion should be held regarding combining District #1 and District #2 into the same plant instead of District #2 utilizing the City of Oconomowoc system.

Ed Nevers asked the board if they are looking to put more money into the existing plant or are they wanting to look at a new plant. He noted the current plant is 35 years old and the mechanics within the plant were projected for 20-year life.

Chairman Goetsch stated the board understands the plant is old and at capacity. What the board needs to know are the options for a new plant and the cost.

Mr. Nevers stated the town has done some inexpensive repairs to help the plant but these are short term fixes.

Supervisor Taylor asked what type of plant the town would be looking at. Mr. Nevers explained the recommendation would be for an oxidation ditch this would be the gold standard of technology. The oxidation ditch would be with activated sludge and would also meet the phosphorus standards with bio solids and it would have a UV disinfection. He stated a sand filter or lagoon system are unable to meet the standards that will be in place by 2023.

Roger Degner – River Valley Road

Mr. Degner asked if this expansion would make way for all lands for future growth in the town. Mr. Nevers responded they would size the plant for current needs and also for future expansion.

Amy Garbe – DNR Agent stated there are several grant programs available for town to help with the project. Discussion followed.

Cindy Wegner – Jolly Court

Ms. Wegner asked if the plant is currently at capacity is this restricting future growth in the community. Staff responded there currently are 60 empty lots and 20 lots under construction.

Jerry Hoefler – Hoefler Excavating

Mr. Hoefler noted the ammonia and phosphorus standards have been way stricter.

Town Engineer Foss recommended to the board that they have documentation stating they do not intend to expand the existing plant.

It was noted this would be a three-year project – one year for planning, one year for design and one year for construction. It was agreed the town will stick to the three-year schedule. There will be several workshops with the town board and residents as the project continues.

A contract from Donahue for planning will be presented to the Town Board at the June meeting.

7. Motion to Adjourn

Supervisor Derge moved, seconded by Supervisor Jaeger to adjourn the May 21, 2018 Town Board meeting at approximately 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Zastrow
Clerk/Treasurer