

**Town of Ixonia
Town Board
Minutes
November 27th, 2017**

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

Chairman Goetsch called the meeting of the Town of Ixonia Town Board 7:05 pm.

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

Also Present: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Jaeger, Highway Superintendent Dennis Lillge, Fire Chief Dave Schilling, Utility Plant Manager Jeff Wegner 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. Discussion and Possible Action regarding adoption of the 2018 Town of Ixonia Budget

I. Discussion and Possible Action regarding General Fund 2018 budget

II. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Utility District #1 2018 budget

Supervisor Derge moved, seconded by Supervisor Taylor to approve the 2018 General Fund and Utility District #1 budget as presented. Motion carried.

4. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Resolution 2017-02 Adopting the Town of Ixonia 2018 Town Budget

It was noted the Resolution was approved in the above motion.

5. Discussion and Possible Action Approving Utility District #2 – Mary Lane project bids

Chairman Goetsch explained the bids for the Mary Lane project came in lower than the first bids. The Town of Ixonia portion will be around \$300,000 for the upgrades.

No formal action was taken.

6. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Escrow Agreement for Mary Lane project

This was discussed with the above agenda item. No action was taken.

7. Discussion and Possible Action regarding options for borrowing a minimum of \$100,000 for Mary Lane project

It was explained the fund balance for Utility #2 is approximately \$226,000 which doesn't cover the Mary Lane repairs. Clerk/Treasurer Zastrow presented three options for the board to consider for borrowing to cover the remainder. 1) State Trust Fund Loan; 2) Bank loan – interest rate @ 3.5% or 3) to borrow from Utility #1. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Derge moved, seconded by Supervisor Mark to borrow \$150,000 @ 3.5% interest from Utility District 1 for ten (10) years. Motion carried.

8. Discussion and Possible Action regarding comp and/or leave time for employees

Highway Department employee Ben Degner needs surgery before the end of the year, but he only has 20 hours left of comp and vacation time. He is requesting the board to authorize up fronting comp or vacation until the short-term disability kicks in at five (5) days. Having no income for 3 ½ days will cause a financial hardship for his family. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Mark moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to allow Mr. Degner to use either vacation or comp time in order to make up his pay up to five days (5) in advance for this year and any other similar situations will be on a case by case basis coming before the Town Board for approval. Motion carried.

9. Discussion and Possible Action authorizing upgrade of Bobcat Compact Track Loader (Skid Loader) with trade-in of \$3,500

Highway Superintendent Lillge explained there is a possible price increase in the near future for the Bobcat Skid Steer. There is a 30 – 60-day delivery from the time the order is placed. He is asking the board to authorize ordering the skid steer now with delivery in 2018.

Supervisor Taylor moved, seconded by Supervisor Jaeger to order the Bobcat Ski Steer with delivery after January 1, 2018. Motion carried.

10. Motion to Adjourn

Supervisor Mark moved, seconded by Supervisor Derge to adjourn the November 27th, 2017 Town Board meeting at approximately 7:34 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Zastrow
Clerk/Treasurer