

# MINUTES

Village of Iola Regular Meeting  
Monday February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 5:00 p.m.  
Community Center, Senior Room, 180 S. Main St, Iola WI

The meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Dave Harper at 5:00 p.m. at the Village of Iola, Community Center Senior Room. Open meeting statements were made by President Pro Tem Harper "This meeting and all other meetings of the Iola Village Board are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes so the citizenry may be aware of the time, place, and agenda of this meeting."

President Pro Tem Harper led the Pledge of Allegiance and was followed by a moment of silence. Roll call was taken by Clerk Aanstad. Members present: Trustees Missy Fenn, Dave Harper, Rick Meyers, Pamela Parks, and Jim Rasmussen. Others present: Clerk Betty Aanstad, Village Attorney Bruce Meagher, Tammy Jo Berg, Steve Stieber, Sherry Miller, John Bertelson, Holly Newman, Deputy Clerk Laura Krogwold, Greg Loescher. Absent: President Jennifer Schustek, Terry Murphy.

Trustee Meyers made a motion to approve both the January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Board Meeting and Caucus Meeting minutes. Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Parks made a motion to approve the January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Finance Committee minutes. Trustee Rasmussen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Rasmussen made a motion to approve the January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Personnel Committee minutes. Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Fenn made a motion to approve the January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, ARPA Committee minutes. Trustee Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Rasmussen made a motion to approve the January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Zoning Committee minutes. Trustee Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Parks made a motion to approve both the January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022, and February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Finance Committee minutes. Trustee Rasmussen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney Meagher explained that Summit Street running between West State Street (error in agenda: stated West Iola Street, should have read West State Street.) and Depot Street will need to be surveyed, before the village can figure out a resolution to the problem, which is a portion of the road is currently owned by individual property owners, and not the village. Attorney Meagher is going to reach out to a couple of surveys to find out a cost.

Trustee Meyers made a motion to approve the transfer of the Class B Liquor License from JD's Corner Bar (Jeff Domask) to 10la Corner Bar (Laura Marker). Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Meyers made a motion to approve the lowest appraisal for the Old Shop and Depot Street Shop. Which was Karen A. Mikalofsky, Peak Appraisal Services, LLC. Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Protection of Persons and Property Committee

Police Report: Chief Zierler submitted a report for January 2022. The Iola Police Department handled 117 total calls. 911 Misdiagnoses – 8, Assist Other Agency (EMS) - 10, Agency Assists – 0, Alarms – 2, Animal Problem – 6, Assault – 0, Bail Jumping – 0, Burglary – 0, Business/Building Checks – 2, Car vs Deer – 0, Child Abuse/Neglect – 0, Child Custody – 0, Citizens/Motorist Assist – 10, Cyber Tip (Child Porn) – 0, Controlled Substance – 0, Death – 0, Disabled Vehicle – 2, Disorderly Conduct – 1, Domestic Disturbance – 1, Extra Patrol – 13, Family Disturbance – 1, Follow up – 4, Fraud – 0, Harassment – 0, Hit and Run – 0, Intoxicated Person – 0, Juvenile Problem – 0, Lock Out – 0, Mental Health – 0, Motor Vehicle Crash – 3, Noise – 1, Open Door – 0, Ordinance Violation – 0, Paper Service – 0, Property Damage – 0, Repossession – 0, Sex Offense – 0, Storm Damage – 0, Suspicious Circumstance – 2, Theft – 6, Threatening – 2, Tobacco Problem – 0, Traffic Control – 1, Traffic Hazard – 1, Traffic Enforcement – 38, Trespassing – 0, TRO Violation – 0, Truancy – 1, Warrant Pick Up – 0, Welfare Check – 4. Trustee Fenn made a motion to approve the February 2022 police report, with a correction of the date from December 2022 to January 2022. Motion seconded by Trustee Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Trustee Rasmussen explained that the Personnel Committee met and updated the Police Policy regarding Holiday Pay and overtime. When an officer is scheduled to work during a Holiday, they will receive triple time in Holiday Pay for the time they work, according to their shift. Trustee Meyers made a motion to approve the policy. Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Personnel** - None

**Public Property and Streets:**

Attorney Meagher stated he received a call from the Knuettel Family, and they would like to come in and talk with Attorney Meagher regarding the condemnation of the property located at 430 S. Main Street.

Attorney Meagher has not heard back from the property owner of 230 S. Grove Street.

Update on consideration of bids for village wide garbage pickup. (As of February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022; we only have 147 interested). Would like to get at least 200 containers before we contact the companies)

Attorney Meagher stated the latest letter received regarding the Nursing Home Bankruptcy Proposal, the Nursing Home and Butternut Ridge were sold to the Keaton Schultz, Schultz Properties.

**Parks** - Trustee Meyers stated the dog park committee would be having their first meeting on March 23rd, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

**Sewer and Water** - None

**Library** – Trustee Rasmussen stated that the library is currently accepting applications for Librarian Lisa Bauer's position and to fill a vacant part time position. Director Robyn Grove will start interviewing once the deadline for applications is closed.

**ARPA Committee** – It was stated that the ARPA Committee voted to use the \$126,230.28 the Village of Iola is receiving from the Federal/State Government's to reline the sewer lines and add an additional \$48,769.72 from the sewer reserve fund the Village has built up using the sewer charge rate increase the village put in place back in 2020.

**Finance** - Trustees Harper, Rasmussen and Parks reviewed the bills and found the bills to be in order. Trustee Rasmussen made a motion to pay the bills. Motion seconded by Trustee Meyers. Motion carried.

Currently there are no new updates regarding the refinancing of the Village Debt. The finance committee is still meeting with the banks.

**Correspondence and Communications** – None

**Public presentation to or discuss with the Board** – Tammy Jo Berg asked to speak regarding the sale of the Norseman Hotel owned and operated by Terry Murphy. Tammy Jo asked if the board had any objection to the new owners that were acquiring the hotel to be used as boarding for employees. It was stated that the prospective owners lawyer sent a letter to the village board stating what his intentions are to use the hotel, in reading the letter none of the board members felt there would need to be any changes in the current zoning.

**Closed Session** – No closed session required.

Trustee Rasmussen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Meyers. Motion carried.

President Pro Tem Harper adjourned the meeting at 5:31 P.M.

Betty Aanstad, Clerk,

Village of Iola