

MINUTES

Village of Iola Regular Meeting - January 9th, 2023 @ 5:30 p.m.
Iola Village Hall, Community Room
180 S. Main St, Iola WI - Phone: (715) 445-2913

The January 9th, 2023, Village of Iola Board meeting was called to order by President Jennifer Schustek at 5:30 p.m. in the Iola Village Hall, Community Room. President Schustek read the opening meeting statements and led the Pledge of Allegiance, with a moment of silence following the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken by village clerk, Betty Aanstad. Board Members Present: President Jennifer Schustek, Trustees: Dave Harper, Jim Rasmussen, Pamela Parks, Missy Fenn, Rick Meyers, Mark McCoy; Others Present: Clerk Betty Aanstad, Holly Neumann, Aaron Messier, Nick Achtermeier, Jason Bartlett, Ali Johnson, Shannon Dane, Gary Marx, Larry Flowers, Greg Ambrosius. Excused Absence: Attorney Bruce Meagher, Legal Counsel.

Trustee Harper made a motion to approve the December 12th, 2022, board minutes. Trustee Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Harper made a motion to approve the December 21st, 2022, Special Board meeting, Zoning Committee minutes as written. Trustee Parks made a motion to second. Motion carried.

Nick Achtermeier from **Harter's Disposal** presented the village with a sealed proposal for the Village of Iola to consider for city wide garbage pickup. Nick went on to explain that Harter's is a family owned business and has been in business for over ten years and handle 120 municipalities and 16 counties. If Harter's were to receive the contract, they would provide new containers for both recycling and garbage pickup. Pickup would be weekly for both garbage and recycling. Currently Harter's picks up 100 households within the village. If they were awarded the contract, they would like at least 8 weeks to set up before starting. They would like a minimum 5-year contract with the village. They would also provide a info packet to all village residents and a calendar for pickup.

Jason Bartlett presented on behalf of **GFL**. Jason also presented the board with a sealed envelope for a bid. Jason said GFL would like a 7-10-year contract with the village. They would also provide weekly service for garbage and recycling pickup. If residents would have oversized items, they would be willing to make arrangements with residents regarding removal. Jason stated that GFL covers both the United States and Canada, their corporate office is in Raleigh North Carolina. He also stated they would like a 4-6-week lead time to prepare for village wide pickup.

President Schustek thanked both Nick and Jason for their presentations.

Trustee Meyers made a motion to move forward with the process for village wide trash and recycling pickup for residential residents in the Village of Iola. Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It was suggested to open the contracts from Jason and Nick and review.

Sealed Bids:

Harter's: -Billing will be done monthly. – 5- year contract minimum. – Harter's to supply 95-gallon carts 1 trash and 1 for recycling to each resident. – Day of service to be determined. Pricing \$18.00 per house per month. Fuel surcharge to be added. CPI yearly increase based on the US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Consumer Price Index. – Fuel surcharge begins at \$4.00 per gallon of diesel and adds 1% to the monthly statement for every \$0.10 fuel increase.

GFL: Length of agreement - 7 years or 10 years; Pickup – trash and recycling weekly; Total Per resident – 7 year \$17.25, 10 year \$16.75. Each year will have an annual increase of 3% or trash and Sewer CPI, whichever is greater.

It was decided to table a decision on which company to choose until the February 9th, 2023, meeting. This would allow board members time to review both contracts.

Dan & Shannon Dane presented the village of Iola with a request to purchase parcel 26 35 97 located on Sunset Drive for \$2,000. The parcel is located across from their property on Sunset Drive. They would like to acquire the property for lake access from their property. Trustee McCoy suggested the property be appraised. Trustee Rasmussen suggested taking the money and calling it good. Trustee Meyers made a motion to accept the offer from Dan & Shannon Dane for Parcel 26 35 97. Trustee Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding a Mission Statement for Village of Iola, a number of people felt mission statements should be short and the options were too long. President Schustek appointed Trustee Parks to work with village residents to come up with a mission statement for the February 9th, 2023, meeting.

Trustee Rasmussen discussed the changes the Personnel Committee is recommending the board to amend in the Employee Handbook for Bereavement, retroactive August 1, 2022. (Changes and Additions in red)

i **Funeral Leave:** An employee shall be granted three (3) days, with pay, for the death of any family member. For the purposes of this paragraph, a family member shall include Mother, Father, Wife, Husband, Child, Brother, Sister, Mother-In-Law, Father-In-Law, Brother-In-Law, Sister-In-Law, **Grandparents, Grandparent-In-Laws, Aunt, Uncle, Domestic Partner.** If additional days are desired, the employee shall be responsible to make arrangements to utilize either vacation days or days off without pay. Those arrangements should be made with the employee's Immediate Supervisor or the Village Clerk as quickly as possible.

ii **Holiday:** All employees are entitled to receive seven (7) paid holidays to include: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day. In order to be paid for a Holiday, an employee must be at work on the last scheduled workday prior to the Holiday and on the next scheduled workday following the Holiday. Any employee who **are scheduled to work or** called to work on a Holiday shall receive Holiday Pay at the rate of two (2.0) times his/her regular hourly wage plus his/her regular pay for the work performed.

Trustee Rasmussen made a motion to adopt the changes to the Employee Handbook. Trustee Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Rasmussen asked to table the consideration of approving new rates for building permits, carried over from December board meeting. He was waiting for additional information from Building Inspector Bob Viste.

After a short discussion of a proposal from TeamLogicIT it was decided to table this for a future meeting, due to questions regarding the quote until a revised breakdown could be submitted by TeamLogicIT for Internet/Email Security.

Trustee Harper made a motion to authorize President Schustek to install a new sign in front of Village Hall. Trustee Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Rasmussen talked about what he was looking at regarding cameras in the Lower Level of Village Hall (If Cameras Should Be Live Feeds Only or Have Option for Saved Data for Several Days. Considering Placing Cameras in the Hall by Bathrooms Facing Library Entrance and Inside Double Doors, In the Community Room Facing Both Outside Entrance. **(Still waiting on second quote, will be available for Feb 2023 board meeting.)**

No update regarding the consideration of raising the Town of Iola Rent at the Depot Street Office from \$250 to ?, tabled waiting on additional information regarding a new rate. A \$425 monthly rate was later put in a proposal to the Town of Iola.

Trustee Meyers made a motion to appoint Larry Flower's to work with Building Inspector (Bob Viste) as a liaison to the Board. Trustee McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Harper made a motion to appoint Shannon Dane to run elections in absence of Clerk and Deputy Clerk. Trustee Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Harper made a motion to appoint Pamela Parks as Chief Inspector for April 4th, 2023, election. Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Parks made a motion to raise Village of Iola loader rates from \$120.00 per hour or \$2.00 per minute to \$135.00 per hour or \$2.25 per minute. Trustee Fenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Due to absence of village attorney, the board was not able to address recommendations from Roberta Walls.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Protection of Persons and Property Committee:

Police Report: Trustee Fenn made a motion to approve the police report shown below presented by Chief Zierler to the board for December 2022. Trustee Harper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Report below:

Police Report: The Iola Police Department handled 113 total calls. 911 Misdiagnoses – 11, Assist Other Agency (EMS) - 5, Agency Assists – 0, Alarms – 1, Animal Complaints – 3, ATV/UTV Stops – 1, Assault – 0, Bail Jumping – 0, Burglary – 0, Business/Building Checks – 0, Car vs Deer – 0, Child Abuse/Neglect – 0, Child Custody – 0, Citizens/Motorist Assist – 1, Civil Complaints – 0, Cyber Tip (Child Porn) – 0, Controlled Burn – 0, Controlled Substance – 0, Death – 0, Designated Patrol – 40, Disabled Vehicle – 0, Disorderly Conduct – 0, Domestic Disturbance – 0, Drug Complaint – 1, Extra Patrol – 0, Family Complaint – 0, Family Disturbance – 0, Fireworks – 0, Follow up – 2, Fraud – 0, Harassment – 0, Hit and Run – 0, Illegal Dumping – 0, Intoxicated Person – 0, Juvenile Problem – 0, Lewd and Lascivious – 1, Lock Out – 1, Lost Property – 1, Mental Health – 0, Missing Person – 0, Motor Vehicle Crash – 2, Neighbor Complaint – 0, Noise – 1, Open Door – 0, Ordinance Violation – 0, OWI – 2, Paper Service – 0, Parking Problem – 7, Property Damage – 0, Repossession – 0, Sex Offense – 0, Storm Damage – 0, Suspicious Circumstance – 4, Theft – 0, Threatening/Harassment – 2, Tobacco Problem – 0, Traffic Control/Hazard – 2, Traffic Enforcement – 24, Trespassing – 0, TRO Violation of RO – 0, Truancy – 0, Warrant Pick Up – 0, Weapon Offense – 0, Welfare Check – 1.

Personnel – No Updates

Public Property and Streets: President Schustek asked the board to think about how the village should consider selling village owned property and plan to come to the February board meeting with recommendations.

Parks – Trustee Meyers stated nothing new at this time.

Trustee Harper announced the ad-hoc committee is planning for a celebration October 13th, 2023, for Chet Krause Park.

Sewer & Water – Trustee McCoy made a motion to approve the Inflow Meter at the Sewer Plant in the amount of \$5172, which will be installed in the spring of 2023. Trustee Harper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Library – No Update

Finance - Trustee Harper made a motion that pay the bills once the committee finds them in order. The committee will review the bills on Wednesday January 11th, 2023. Trustee Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Presentation (Correspondence & Communications) to or discuss with the Board. Maximum 2-Minute Presentation – No presentations brough forward before the board.

Any Other New Business that may legally come before the Board (Please remember to address the board when making your presentation. Maximum 2-minute presentation) – Nothing brought forward before the board.

A motion was made by Trustee Meyers to adjourn into closed session. Trustee Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried. President Schustek announced the meeting was adjourned into closed session.

CLOSED SESSION:

President Schustek announced the meeting was now in closed session.

President Schustek announced that she wanted the meeting in closed session to announce the findings regarding the non-metallic mining within the Village of lola and to let the board know that both attorney Meagher and attorney Forsythe both had reviewed the information, and both had come to the same conclusion. Non-Metallic mining is not allowed in the Village of lola on property zoned Public Institution. After a discussion with both lawyers, President Schustek and Trustee Harper, it was decided that the information should be released to the public. Both Faulk’s Bros. and lola Car Show should be notified in advance. Attorney Meagher was going to be drafting letters to be sent to both parties and it was decided to wait a few extra days before announcing it to the public.

Trustee Meyers made a motion to adjourn the meeting in closed session. Trustee Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Schustek announced the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Submitted by Betty Aanstad, village clerk
Village of lola