

# PROCEEDINGS: IDA GROVE CITY COUNCIL FEB. 6 MINUTES

**CITY OF IDA GROVE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, FEB. 6, 2023 • 5:30 p.m.  
TEMPORARY CITY HALL  
311 BARNES STREET**

**1. Call to Order:** Mayor Pro Tem Gregor Ernst called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

**2. Roll Call:** Present: Gregor Ernst, Jason Schable, Ange Johnson and Jeff Miesner. Councilman Jared Bogue joined the meeting electronically.

**3. Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Johnson, second by Bogue to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

**4. Public Hearing - FY24 Maximum Property Tax Dollars for Certain Levies:** Motion by Johnson to open the public hearing at 5:32 p.m., second by Schable. Motion carried 5-0. No comments were received. Motion by Schable to close the public hearing at 5:33 p.m., second by Johnson. Motion carried 5-0.

**5. Resolution 2023-7 FY24 Maximum Property Tax Dollars for Certain Levies:** Motion by Miesner to approve Resolution 2023-7, second by Ernst. Motion carried 5-0.

**6. Heidi Kuhl - Resolution 2023-9 Authorizing and Approving a Certain Loan Agreement, Providing for the Issuance of \$2,355,000 General Obligation City Hall Renovation Bonds, Series 2023A and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same:** Kuhl joined the meeting electronically to discuss the approval of documents needed to finalize the city hall project loan. Loan closing is scheduled for Feb. 21, 2023 with a 4.03% interest rate. Motion by Johnson to approve Resolution 2023-9, second by Schable. Motion carried 5-0.

**7. Jeffery Matthias - Request Hearing Before Council Regarding Municipal Infractions for 402 Second Street:** Not in attendance.

**8. Sheriff's Department Update:** No update was given at this time.

**9. Jim Day - Snow Parking Violations:** Day was present to discuss parking tickets that were issued to his renters at the Twin Pine Apartments. He presented photos, questioning the appearance and language used on the tickets. Day suggested having signs posted informing residents of the city's snow ordinances and possibly giving a warning notice before actually issuing a ticket. Bogue shared that the city's snow ordinance was posted in the Courier and on our website and that all our city code/ordinances are on our website for review and to please contact City Hall with any questions. Ernst advised the city will review the

language of the snow tickets and research snow ordinance signs to post on each entry into town. Bogue electronically left the meeting at this time.

**10. Consent Agenda:** Motion by Miesner to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following: clerk's report, claims in the amount of \$110,521.05, financial reports, 1/16/2023 minutes, liquor licenses for The Shovel's Hillside, temporary transfer to the King Theatre on 2/11/23 and Dollar General, permits and correspondence, second by Schable. Motion carried 4-0. Former Mayor Whiteing was invited to the meeting and presented with a few parting gifts that council and city staff had purchased to thank him for his 6 years of service.

**11. Ordinance 613 - General Industrial District Use Regulations, Second Reading:** Motion by Miesner to approve Ordinance 613, second reading, second by Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

**12. Resolution 2023-8 Transfer Fire Department Carryover from FY22:** Motion by Ernst to approve Resolution 2023-8, second by Miesner. Motion carried 4-0.

**13. Resolution 2023-10 to Fix a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposal to Enter into a General Fund Operating Lease with Lease Payments Thereunder in an Amount not to Exceed \$10,000:** Motion by Miesner to approve Resolution 2023-10, second by Schable. Motion carried 4-0.

**14. Airport Beacon:** The beacon, which is a requirement for airports, is out of commission and council discussed repairing or replacing it. Public Works Superintendent Sholty shared the motor was replaced in 2020 and he recommends full replacement of the beacon. Motion by Ernst for Sholty to purchase a replacement beacon, not to exceed \$5,000, with at least a 1 year parts and service warranty, second by Miesner. Motion carried 4-0.

**15. Mayor Vacancy:** Ernst and Johnson shared they've spoken to a few residents that showed interest in filling the mayor seat, inviting them to attend meetings, but at this time no new leads.

**16. City Council Member News & Notes:** Johnson shared her concerns regarding the turning lane on Moorehead Avenue between HWY 175 and First Street, not being visible under the snow, and advised the city research signage to be installed in that area.

**17. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by Johnson, second by Schable. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Kelly Young, Deputy Clerk  
Gregor Ernst, Mayor Pro Tem