

The Oldenburg Town Council met February 7, 2023 at 7:00PM at the Town Hall. After being called to order by Pres. Dennis Moeller the minutes of the regular January meeting were read. Greg made a motion to accept minutes as read, Dave & Denny seconded.

Dan Kerker asked the council about having a Summer Bash Under the Village of Spires, June 24, 2023 to raise money for the fire department, since they were not having a festival. Parade, Music in the park, local shops, drive-thru chicken, raffles. Donations from local business and citizens. They would like to close the street between Pearl & Vine. The council didn't see a problem but would like to be updated again before things are finalized.

Jeff Paul updated the council about the possibility of a walking trail in Oldenburg. DNR Grant deadline is March 1st. 80/20 Matching Grant. Jodi would be willing to help submit the application. HWC would help engineer the project. The Freudenfest would be willing to split 50/50 with the council for the match. Holy Family Church & the Archdiocese would lease the land for 25years at no charge. Greg made a motion to sign the lease, Dave & Denny seconded. The council would like more figures before they can commit.

Doug had a contract to renew for Les Day for 01/01/2023 thru 12/31/2024. The utility board approved, but the council needs to approve and sign. Greg made a motion to renew Les Day's contract. Denny & Dave seconded.

Ruth had a Ordinance 2-2023 Whereas, the Town Council, of Oldenburg, Indiana, last enacted an Ordinance raising the rates for water users of Oldenburg Water Utility system on December 1, 2014 and Whereas, The Town has recently received notice that Oldenburg must pass a new water rate ordinance to reflect the repeal of the Utility Receipts Tax.

Whereas, the Utility Board of Oldenburg has recommended that a change in the water rates take place as a result of the repeal to decrease the base charge for water of \$0.86

Now, Therefore, The Town Council does establish that the water rates to be effective for all users on and after March 1, 2023. Ordinance attached.

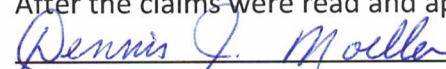
Greg made a motion to pass Ordinance #2-2023.

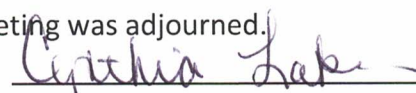
Denny and Seth met with SIRPC to go over the possibility of fixing the upstairs in the town hall. There is a grant with a 90/10 match they could apply for in May. Refurbish . and the qualifications for the elevator. Need to look into further.

Denny informed the council that he signed a letter for Merchant Affordable Housing stating their mission was in line with Oldenburg Comprehensive Plan. They are wanting to put in senior citizens housing.

Bill asked Steve if he knew what happened to the Police parking sign for in front of the building. He will look for it or will order a new one.

After the claims were read and approved, the meeting was adjourned.


Dennis Moeller, President


Cynthia Laker, Clerk Treasurer

A Special town meeting was posted and held on Saturday, February 25, 2023 at 11:30AM at the Town Hall for POTENTIAL WALKING TRACK – GRANT APPLICATION.

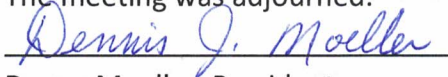
Discussion was around a potential walking track in town. Eight people in attendance, all discussion was favorable. A public meeting was also held in the school cafeteria on February 23rd. There were approximately thirty people in attendance. Virtually all discussion was again positive and favorable.

Motion was made by Denny, seconded by Dave to submit the grant application for the walking trail in the amount of \$466,100.00. 20% match or \$93,220.00 would be paid 100% by the Freudenfest Committee.

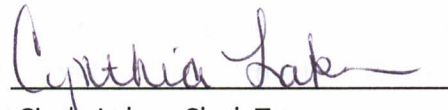
The vote was unanimous (Greg voted via e-mail to Denny on 2/24/23).

Denny signed the necessary paperwork.

The meeting was adjourned.



Denny Moeller, President



Cindy Laker, Clerk Treasurer