

Summary of the bi-monthly meeting of the Town of Gnesen was held on Monday, January 23, 2017, at the Gnesen Town Hall. The following officers were present: George Franckowiak, Dave Opack, Jon Nelson and Lottie Haller.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Chair George Franckowiak. Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Supervisor Dave Opack, second by Supervisor Jon Nelson and unanimously approved.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Planning & Zoning Member removal from the P&Z Board-Kevin Haberman, P&Z Chair requested the removal of a member from the Board as she has been unable to attend many meetings of the Board due to a conflict with writing her thesis. Supervisor Opack made a motion, second by Supervisor Nelson to remove the member per Zoning Ordinance 10.054 B. 8, all in favor. Clerk will send the member a letter thanking her for her service and input on the Board.

Emergency Plan-We had a lengthy discussion with the Gnesen Volunteer Fire Department and some community members about how to put a plan together. The Fire Department has a plan and they are in the process of updating that plan. When they have completed their update, they will share it with the Town Board and the Board will look it over and we will incorporate it with any plans we implement. Several people from the community have volunteered to help and once we have the plans, we will put a letter in the newspaper to collect names of people who can help out.

Community Block Grant Meeting-Supervisor Nelson stated we will receive \$3,000.00 less than we asked for. They didn't approve the wheelchair lift at the Community Center but did approve the improvements to the Town Hall bathrooms and entrance. Supervisor Opack suggested that maybe we can tie the lift in with our Disaster Plan Grant.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

State tax forfeit land-We received a letter from St. Louis County Land & Minerals about a proposed sale. Supervisor Nelson mentioned that at the last DAT Meeting there was a speaker that explained how this process works to get a piece of property for sale on the tax forfeit list.

Resolution #17-01-Chair Franckowiak made a motion, second by Supervisor Opack, board approved to appoint Lottie Haller, Kathy Johnson and Katie Neff-Dawson to the absentee ballot board.

Resolution #17-02-Supervisor Nelson made a motion, second by Supervisor Opack, Board approved to accept the donations for 2016 from Gnesen Community Center Supporters, National Night Out and McCabe Forest Products.

Quotes for ditching Crescent Drive and Musolf Road-We received a quote from Cedar Drive to do the ditching on these roads. Supervisor Nelson made a motion, second by Chair Franckowiak, Board approved to proceed with both projects. The work will be done next week. Supervisor Opack stated that the culvert on Musolf Road has had to be steamed twice this winter already. We will have the grader operator cut the trees where the ditching will be done.

Request for transfer of Liquor License to Cheryl Seeley d/b/a Sportsmens Inn from Brian Kirsh-Chair Franckowiak made a motion, second by Supervisor Nelson, Board approved to approve the request. We also needed the Planning & Zoning to sign off on this. Deputy Clerk Blomdahl signed off and added a remark.

St. Louis County Sheriff's Office Crime Activity Report-We received the report for December.

Mailboxes-Chair Franckowiak received a call from Scott from St. Louis County about the mailboxes on the end of Crescent Drive that are in the way of the wing on the snowplow. Supervisor Opack will look into this. The Clerk will give the mailbox installation information to Cindy Erickson to put in the newspaper.

Burning garbage-Chair Franckowiak received a complaint from a resident about a neighbor who was burning garbage in a burn barrel. Clerk will get the Statute about burning for Cindy to publish in the newspaper.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

One piece of correspondence was received.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m. with a motion by Supervisor Opack, second by Supervisor Nelson. No objections, meeting adjourned. (This meeting was taped for transcribing purposes only.)