

## Regular Meeting Town of Gnesen

October 23, 2017

The bi-monthly meeting of the Town of Gnesen was held on Monday, October 23, 2017, at the Gnesen Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Chair George Franckowiak. Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Supervisor Jon Nelson, second by Chair Franckowiak and unanimously approved. Minutes of the October 9, 2017 Regular Town Board Meeting were unanimously approved with a motion by Supervisor Nelson, second by Supervisor Opack.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Beaver problem-The property owner contacted Supervisor Opack and gave permission to trap the beavers. Supervisor Opack contacted Dan Croke to trap the beavers and tear apart the beaver dam.

Road work-Supervisor Opack and Grader Operator Tom Haller fixed the dip in the road at the end of Pioneer Road near Howard Gnesen Road. They put down two loads of rock and three loads of Class 5 on the Lawnwood Road by the culverts; one load of pit run on the turnaround on Crescent Drive and three loads of pit run on the Musolf Road.

Generator for the Community Center-Kurt Blegen is still working on this.

Broadband update-Supervisor Nelson reported we should hear by mid-November if the grant CenturyLink applied for has been approved.

Local Road Improvement Program Application-Supervisor Opack will fill out the application and get it back to the clerk to submit.

P&Z matter-The Zoning Officer was instructed to talk to the neighbor and former Zoning Officer Gil Kjorstad, and then make a visit to see if he met the conditions in the agreement and report back to the Town Board.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Minutes from the St. Louis County Association of Townships-Their next Meeting is on October 25, 2017 in Cotton at 6:30 p.m. Speaker will be St. Louis County Information Technology Director, Jeremy Craker, who will talk about the DNR new trail system.

Tree cutting at the Community Center- Rick's Tree Service have cut the trees at the center.

MAT Annual Conference-November 16-18. No one is able to attend.

Depository Pledge Agreement-Supervisor Nelson made a motion, second by Supervisor Opack and unanimously approved to sign the Agreement which states that Wells Fargo collateralizes the uninsured balance in the Town's account by pledging securities from its investment portfolio over what the FDIC insured.

December Town Board second meeting-The second meeting of the month falls on Christmas so the Board has decided to cancel the second meeting of the month.

DAT Meeting-Gnesen Township will be running the Duluth Area Township Meetings for 2018.

Cigarette disposal containers-Chair Franckowiak mentioned that we should purchase some new cigarette disposal containers to be used when we have rentals as the cigarette container that is attached to the building is not large enough. Clerk will check into prices for getting them for the Town Hall & Community Center.

Truck loads of tires that were illegally dumped on private property-The St. Louis County Sheriff's Department is handling this matter and the person responsible will be required to remove them. There was discussion on what we can do about preventing this problem.

Island Lake Campgrounds-Zoning Officer, Robert Aho, stated that he was informed by Minnesota Power that the lease with the current camp manager is terminating on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

CORRESPONDENCE:

One piece of correspondence, other than those mentioned above, was received.

Upcoming Meetings:

Town Board Meeting-November 13, 2017 8:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting-November 15, 2017 7:30 p.m.

MAT Annual Conference-November 16-18, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Town Board Meeting-November 27, 2017 8:00 p.m.

Town Board Meeting-December 11, 2017 8:00 p.m.

Supervisor Nelson made a motion, second by Supervisor Opack and unanimously approved to approve check #14024 and EFT 289.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m. with a motion by Supervisor Nelson, second by Supervisor Opack. No objections, meeting adjourned. (This meeting was taped for transcribing purposes only.)