

## Regular Town Board Meeting Town of Gnesen

The bi-monthly meeting of the Town of Gnesen was held on Monday, September 24, 2018, at the Gnesen Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Chair Jon Nelson. Motion to approve the agenda moved by Chair Nelson, second by Supervisor Opack and Board approved.

Minutes of the September 10, 2018 Town Board Meetings were not transcribed as of tonight's meeting and will be tabled until our October Meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Tires dumped on property-The property owner called the Town Clerk today and said that personnel from WLSSD, St. Louis County Environmental Health Department and the St. Louis County Sheriff's Department have cleaned up the 85 tires that were dumped there.

Planning Committee Meeting-Supervisor Opack gave a brief report from the meeting. More information to come.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Snowplowing quotes-We received a quote from J&C Home & Business Services and Rick's Tree & Stump Removal for snowplowing the lanes over by Eagle Lake; Community Center parking lot; around the building to the skating rink and parking spots for the rink. Supervisor Opack made a motion, second by Supervisor Franckowiak, all in favor to award the job to the lowest bidder, Rick's Tree.

Informational Letter from Minnesota Power-They will be doing overhead extension work on Echo Lane. Clerk sent them an email to ask if it was all overhead work and nothing in our road bed and they called back and stated it would be all overhead.

Informational Letter from St. Louis County Auditor-They have become aware of an error that occurred for the 2015 tax forfeited land apportionment and they will make adjustments to future apportionment amounts.

Informational email from Mark Weber-They have received a request from Minnesota Power for permanent easement across state tax forfeited land to provide access to leased land. There will be a County Board Meeting on September 25<sup>th</sup> where they will be discussing this. Clerk sent Mark an email asking if there is anything we need to do about this and she will let the Board know if there is anything we need to do.

Mowing and brushing to make trails behind the Committee Center-We received a quote from Rick's Tree Service to do the work. They will charge by the hour, not to exceed \$9,000.00. Discussion followed on the DNR Grant we were awarded. Once we sign the paperwork, send it in and get it back from DNR, we can start the work. Motion by Supervisor Opack, second by Supervisor Franckowiak, all in favor to have Chair Nelson and Town Clerk Haller sign the paperwork. Chair Nelson will follow up with the UMD Student who was knowledgeable about Disc Golf layouts.

Streamlining the building permit process to make it more efficient-Supervisor Opack is concerned about the Planning and Zoning budget and would like to streamline this. The Town Board instructed Sarah and Lottie to work up an outline on how the building permits will be processed and the Board will sign off on it. Suggestions were to have all the paperwork done by the Town Hall Office staff so the costs for printing would be borne by the Township, not the Zoning Officer. Once all the paperwork is completed, the Zoning Officer will be given the building permit to go out and inspect. The Zoning Officer will do a second inspection after the project has been started to check for accuracy. Office staff will be responsible for getting the completed permits sent to all the proper places.

Special Events Permits and Conditional Use Permits-This is still being researched.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

Fredenburg Newsletter

## Duluth Township Newsletter

Six building permits and three site evaluation permits were turned in for the month of August 2018.

### Upcoming Meetings:

Legal Seminar-October 6, 2018 Cotton, MN 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Town Board Meeting-October 8, 2018-8:00 p.m.

Planning Commission- October 17, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.

Town Board Meeting-October 22, 2018-8:00 p.m.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m. with a motion by Chair Nelson, second by Supervisor Franckowiak. No objections, meeting adjourned. (This meeting was taped for transcribing purposes only.)

Visitors attending the meeting were: None. Employees present were: None.