

Regular Town Board Meeting Town of Gnesen

February 25, 2019

The bi-monthly meeting of the Town of Gnesen was held on Monday, February 25, 2019, at the Gnesen Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 8:23 p.m. by Chair Jon Nelson due to an interview that took place earlier. Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Chair Nelson, second by Supervisor Franckowiak and Board approved.

Minutes of the February 11, 2019 Town Board Meeting were unanimously approved with a motion by Chair Nelson, second by Supervisor Franckowiak.

OLD BUSINESS:

Zoning Officer-We received an application from Robert Olson after the deadline and the Board decided if it didn't meet the timelines, they are not going to take action on it. Their plans are to move forward and offer Nathan Horyza the position with a couple of conditions, Sarah Blix will take over as the Planning Commission Secretary and she will be the person that Nate reports to. Supervisor Franckowiak made a motion to offer the position to Nate, second by Chair Nelson, all voted in favor.

Planning Commission-The Planning Commission recommends appointing Nick Lepak to the position on the Planning Commission for a three-year term. Motion by Chair Nelson, second by Supervisor Franckowiak, board approved to appoint Nick Lepak.

Desk and monitor-Mary will be going to an insurance company that is selling their desks because they are moving, and she will look at them and measure them to see if they will work for our office.

Viele reclamation plan-Supervisor Opack will review when he is home from vacation.

CBDG-No other update. Chair Nelson will be following up with Stacy Harter.

NEW BUSINESS:

St. Louis County CUP-The Planning Commission would like to recommend a letter from the Town Board be sent to the County, as they have not sent in their CUP Review paperwork since September and are planning to crush gravel at their pit, which was not allowed in their original permit. Clerk Haller will go to the County and talk with them and if we don't get any response, a letter will be sent from the Town Board.

Planning commission update-Carter Williams has been nominated to be the Chair of the Commission. Peter Bergman and Carter are up for re-appointment at the Annual Meeting in March for another three-year term. Dave Evanson and Travis Doyle attended the Planning Commission Meeting and presented a rough draft of a concept plan for a sub-division proposal for property on Arnold Road north of the County gravel pit. They are proposing to sub-divide 80 acres into 11 lots ranging in size from 4.5 acres to 7 acres. Planning Commission instructed Clerk Haller to send a letter to Dave, Travis and St. Louis County listing the concerns that they would like the County to address when they are looking at this sub-division proposal. Supervisor Franckowiak asked if we need to look at our Ordinance to see if we are stringent enough on sub-division. Chair Nelson said to mention it to the Planning Commission that, at least from the Board perspective, our feedback from the community is, that is not something they want. We will ask the Planning Commission on how do we advance this discussion on sub-divisions.

Local Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting-May 2, 2019 10:00 a.m. here at the Town Hall.

2019 Spring Short Courses-April 5th at the DECC.

SLCAT meeting minutes, calendar and a resolution-Chair Nelson made a motion, second by Supervisor Franckowiak, board approved to support the broadband resolution.

Letter from the League of Minnesota Cities-Asking if we wanted to nominate an officer for outstanding service award and a resident doing outstanding work that promotes quality of life in our community. There were no nominations.

CORRESPONDENCE:

One piece of correspondence was gone over.

Upcoming meetings:

Town Board Meeting-March 11, 2019-8:00 p.m.

Annual Election-March 12, 2019 Polls open 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Annual Meeting-March 12, 2019-8:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting-March 20, 2019-7:30 p.m.

DAT Meeting-March 21, 2019-Rice Lake City Hall-6:30 p.m.

Town Board Meeting-March 25, 2019

Read over checks #14456 and #14457 (that came in after the last meeting and are due before the March 11th meeting) and make a motion to approve or deny them and sign them. Chair Nelson made a motion, second by Supervisor Franckowiak, board approved to pay the two bills.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m. with a motion by Chair Nelson, second by Supervisor Franckowiak. No objections, meeting adjourned. (This meeting is taped for transcribing purposes only.)

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