

TOWN OF GALE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

June 13, 2023

The regular board meeting for the Town of Gale was held on June 13, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. Board members present were Paul Halderson, Mike Oslie, Sharon Spahr, Kevin Duch and Matt Andersen. Also, present were Jim Stetzer, Jamie Stetzer, Jack Dittmar, Ashley Halama, Kevin Hauge, Kevin Evenson, Donavon Kramer, Kramer

Paul Halderson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The open meeting law requirements had been met by posting and publication.

Sharon Spahr made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Under specific matters for discussion which was agenda item four:

The 150-foot extension of Willis Lane was tabled until the July meeting.

Donavon Kramer's request for rezone from R20 to rural residential was discussed. Paul Halderson stated that the board has received three responses from neighbors that were not in favor of the zoning change. The feeling of the neighbors was that they wished this to continue to be a residential neighborhood. Matt Andersen made a motion to not support a rezone from R20 to rural residential. Sharon Spahr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The replacement of the two-way radios will be put on the July agenda.

Sue presented the liquor, cigarette and operator licenses applications for Arctic Springs, Champions and Dollar General. All of the paperwork is in order. Mike Oslie made a motion to approve the licenses as presented. Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was discussion on the ad in the paper in regards to keeping unneeded commercial trucks off of Silver Creek during construction on Hwy 53/54/93. Signs have been put up and are helping. There was discussion on seeing if the signs do the job without having to put an ad in the paper.

Under citizen appearances there were none.

Under the machinery report it was reported that there was a tire repair on the grader and the mower as well as blades for the mower have been purchased. Paul discussed a replacement mower which is a mid-mount mower. There is a used mower that is two years old with 100 hours on it and it also has one year more left on the warranty. This is a 60-inch mower for \$21,000 and an additional \$3000 if they install it. This will be put on the July agenda for approval. The Ford F450 is ready for a cost of \$64,563.50. It will be taken to Michels to have the plow and sander installed. The present ton truck we have will be sold outright. The asking price on the ton truck is \$75,000.

Under the road report it was discussed that the crew has been blade patching, tree trimming and mowing road ditches. The sink holes on the shoulder of Winnebago Road were discussed as well at the cattle pass on Cory Road that needs a new culvert since the old one is collapsing. Mathy ground off the blacktop on the parking lot of the GET High School and put it in a pile by the Town of Gale shop.

The correspondence was presented as listed. Sue will follow up with Mark Carlson and report back at the next meeting regarding the glamping structure.

Building permits were issued to Eric Thompson, Nick Stoner, Kevin Borreson, Jeremy Deflorian and Verizon.

The WTA unit meeting to be held at the Town of Gale in July was discussed briefly

The DOT meeting that was held on May 22nd was discussed. Presently they are repairing culverts. There will be flashing lights installed at the K and T intersection that warns the traffic on the US Hwy 54/93 that someone is approaching from County Road K or County Road T. They will have a pace car when they are paving and they will pave one-mile sections at a time.

Matt Andersen made a motion to approve the monthly financial report. Mike Oslie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sharon Spahr made a motion to approve #27007 through #27044 Mike Oslie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Oslie mentioned the letter from the WTA regarding Senate Bill 301 and encouraged other board members to call the legislators on it.

Kevin Duch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Matt Andersen seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Sue Henderson Clerk-Treasurer Town of Gale

