

## TOWN OF GALE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

October 10, 2023

The regular board meeting for the Town of Gale was held on October 10, 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 and Jamie Stetzer, Kevin Lakey, Kevin Evenson, and Sue Henderson. Randy Mickelson arrived at 7:55 p.m.

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

Kevin Duch 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:

Sealed bids for the 2019 Chevy 4500 were opened. The Fountain City Motel for \$35,000 The next bid was from the Town of Franklin for \$71,050. Matt Andersen made a motion to accept the Town of Franklin bid for \$71,050. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Two quotes for a new mid mount mower were presented. Serwe Implement for \$36,000 and St. Joseph Equipment for \$34,750. Mike Oslie made a motion to approve the bid from St. Joseph Equipment for \$34,750 for a new Diamond mid mount mower. Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried. St. Joseph will haul the tractor to North Dakota to have it installed.

There are houses being built on Presley Lane and those homeowners would like it blacktopped. The developer had given the Town a letter back in 2020 showing that there was \$56,020 available for blacktopping. Paul will talk to the developer.

The Lake District Resolution to support grant options from Davy Engineering was next on the agenda. Matt Andersen made a motion to approve the resolution on the condition that the City of Galesville approves the resolution as well. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Under the zoning update; Sue stated that she had gotten the names from Mark Carlson on Monday on who to send the letters out to. They will be sent out and a public hearing will be held on the same night as our December board meeting.

The animal shelter agreement was presented from the Trempealeau County Humane Society for a two-year agreement. Sharon Spahr made a motion to approve the agreement. Mike Oslie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Under citizen appearances there were none.

Under the machinery report it was reported that there were no repairs. The trailer for hauling the bull dozer is having a new deck put on and will also need light work and brakes worked on. The crew will check with Frenchville Trailer on the lights and Charlie's Fix it up will be contacted regarding the brakes.

Under the road report it was discussed that the crew has finished mowing. Shoulders were done on Oak Ridge and Docken road. A blind corner on Kamprude was made wider. Washouts have been filled in. A culvert was put in on Winnebago Road. Tree cutting and clean up was done in the shale pit. The roads that were part of the proposed road work were completed for the year.

Building permit was issued to Brian Hoyer.

An operator license application was presented for Tanya Stargardt who works at Doller General. Matt Andersen made a motion to approve the operator license for Tanya Stargardt. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Oslie made a motion to approve the monthly financial report. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sharon Spahr made a motion to approve #27168 through #27192 Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Andersen made a motion to convene into closed session under 19.85 (c) (1). Mike Oslie seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was convened into closed session at 8:07 p.m.

Sharon Spahr made a motion to convene back into open session at 8:39 p.m. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Andersen made a motion to grant employees with 10 years of employment one more week of vacation. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The 2024 proposed budget numbers were presented and gone over.

Mike Oslie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sharon Spahr seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Sue Henderson Clerk-Treasurer Town of Gale

