

TOWN OF GALE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

September 10, 2024

The regular board meeting for the Town of Gale was held on September 10, 2024 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, Kevin Evenson and Janita Larson. Sue Henderson was also present. Jamie Stetzer arrived at 7:40 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.

Matt Andersen made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Under specific matters for discussion which was agenda item four:

Janita Larson was present regarding 4th street flooding and culvert concerns. Paul Halderson had met with land conservation. The water comes through the culvert and hits the bank at a 90-degree angle. If the mound of dirt was removed and smooth it out to the south of the pile it would make the waterway better. The culverts need to be cleaned out as well. DNR approval is not needed for this. A couple of small trees would need to be removed on the trailer side of the road. Mike Oslie made a motion to do the work as presented by Paul Halderson. Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Cleaning out the ditch by Richard Allen was next on the agenda. The proposal is to clean out on north end of his property along Crystal Valley Road. The proposed cost is \$750-\$1000 from the Trempealeau County Highway Dept. Richard has consented for to go around the big cottonwood onto his property to make this happen. Matt Andersen made a motion to do the work as presented. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The combination class B liquor license was presented for Backroads Pub and Grill. They are the new owners of Arctic Springs. Matt Andersen made a motion to approve the combination class B liquor license for Backroads Pub and Grill. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A picnic license was presented for the Galesville Lions for October 5th for Apple Affair at the fairgrounds. Mike Oslie made a motion to approve the picnic license and the temporary operator licenses as presented, Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A price from Wells was presented to seal coat and put back the lines on the parking area for the town hall. The cost is \$2800. Matt Andersen made a motion to have Wells to do the seal coating to not exceed \$2800. Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no citizen appearances.

Under the machinery report it was reported that the price went from \$7500 down to \$0 on the work done on Kevin's truck. Thanks were given to Kevin Duch for his work on getting Debauche to put this through warranty.

For the road report it was reported that all the seal coating is done. Mowing is also done. The tree in Silver Creek on Ernie Johnson's old place will be cut. It is a danger to falling on the road.

There correspondence was presented.

Building permits were signed for Tony Hibbard for a utility shed and for Chad Andersen for a house.

Mike Oslie gave an update on the STCSWC meeting. He presented the markets and inventory of the recyclables. The fall cleanup will be a tire roundup only with four free vehicle tires per household.

The fireboard meeting was postponed so there was no report.

The Lake District meeting update included the wetland review and the aquatic plant survey. Grants are being researched.

The furnace and ventilation system at the town hall was discussed. When the lights are turned on the fan calls for fresh air and the programmable thermostat were not working well together. The thermostat was replaced with a non-programmable thermostat. The circuit board was also out and has been replaced.

A dog issue that was brought to Paul's attention resulted in sending a copy of the dog ordinance to an attorney for the concerned resident.

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

Bridge petitions were sent in.

Mike Oslie made a motion to approve #27596 through #27641. Sharon Spahr seconded the motion. Motion carried. Kevin Duch made a motion to adjourn. Sharon Spahr seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m. Sue Henderson Clerk-Treasurer

