TOWN OF GALE REGULAR BOARD MEETING May 13, 2025

The regular board meeting for the Town of Gale was held on May 13, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. Town board members that were present were Sharon Spahr, Paul Halderson, Mike Oslie, Kevin Duch, Matt Andersen and Sue Henderson the Clerk-Treasurer was also present. Others present were Randy Mickelson, Jim and Jamie Stetzer, J.R. Tourtellott, Jason Lee, Jack Dittmar and Fred Brown

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:

Review of the chip seal proposals. Fahrner's proposal for chip sealing Paradise, Jacobs, Brady, Toppen, Swenson and Waller was \$100,546.00 Scott's Construction proposal for chip sealing Paradise, Jacobs, Brady, Toppen, Swenson and Waller was \$105,943.00. Trempealeau County had also submitted a proposal for \$81,858 for the same roads. There was discussion on if Trempealeau County had the correct mileage on Paradise Lane. There was discussion on the proposals. Kevin Duch made a motion to hire Scott's Construction. Sharon Spahr seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matt Andersen abstained from voting.

Review of the paving of Sahlstrom, Irvine and Samson was next on the agenda. Mathy's cost for repaving Sahlstrom, Irvine and Samson was \$249,799.45. Trempealeau County gave a proposal of \$235,022.00 to repave Sahlstrom, Irvine and Samson. Matt Andersen made a motion to have Trempealeau County pave these three roads as listed for \$235,022.00. Mike Oslie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Andersen made a motion to have Scott Construction double chip seal Brady Lane for a cost of \$9114.00. Mike Oslie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tim Smieja did not appear regarding Church Lane.

There was discussion on mowing of the grass between the Town of Gale meeting room and Nancy Tourtellot's house. This has been done for a number of years by a member of the Tourtellot family without a spelled-out reimbursement. Mike Oslie made a motion to hire J.R. Tourtellott to be reimbursed \$40 each time he mows. Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried. This will be mowed on an as needed basis.

Under citizens appearances Jason Lee asked about the end of Winnebago Road by Allied Coop. There was a question asked that when Allied builds their new plant on the land they purchased from Sacia Orchards will that connect to the end of Winnebago Road. There is not a clear-cut answer on this question.

Under the machinery report it was reported that a new chain needed to be ordered that there was brake work done on the grader. Three new tires were also purchased for the big trailer.

For the road report it was reported that we have been cleaning ditches, working in the shop, servicing the equipment for the summer. Crack filling was also done along with cleaning up wood in Skunk Coulee where trees have been cut down. A culvert job was done on Mckeeth road. There was a big washout on Brenegan Lane; the culvert was added on to and filled in around it.

There was no correspondence.

There were no building permits or culverts to report on.

Mike Oslie gave a report on Capitalday that he attended. Mike gave the board handouts of information that he received.

No one attended the WTA unit meeting.

Mike Oslie gave an update on the STCSWC meeting. Steve Hogden had given a report on the La Crosse County policy board updates and recycling updates. A handout was included in the folder with the recycling inventory and current pricing.

A board of review date will be set.

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

Sharon Spahr made a motion to approve checks #27953 through #27984 Kevin Duch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Andersen made a motion to adjourn. Mike Oslie seconded it. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.