TOWN OF GALE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 8, 2026

The regular board meeting for the Town of Gale was held on September 8, 2026 at 7:30 p.m. Town board members that were present were Paul Halderson, Jim Larson, Mike Oslie, Matt Andersen and Sue Henderson the Clerk-Treasurer was also present along with Jesse McPherson, Jenna Hubbard, Quentin Moller, Jim and Jamie Stetzer and Randy Mickelson

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

Jim Larson made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. Mike Oslie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Under specific matters for discussion which was agenda item four:

Jesse McPherson was present to request a reduced set back for a shed. Jesse would like to be able to build 30 feet from the edge of the road. He has a narrow lot. Jesse took the board's suggestions from last month. The closest it would be on one of the corners would be 41 feet from the edge of the road. The two corners would be 51 feet from the center of the road and 57 feet from the center of the road. Sixty-three feet from the center is the requirement on a town road. Discussion was held on what the board wanted to do. Jim Larson made a motion that the board does not oppose the placement of the proposed shed. Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried with one opposing vote by Mike Oslie.

The application for the picnic license and temporary operator licenses was presented for the Galesville Lions for Apple Affair. Mike Oslie made a motion to grant the picnic license and temporary operator licenses for the Galesville Lions for Apple Affair for October 3, 2026. Matt Andersen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Citizen appearances were none.

Under the machinery report it was reported that the trucks have been DOT'd. Kevin Duch has been working on the mower tractor.

For the road report it was reported that Irvine and Hill Lane were done. The report showing the road work done for the year was reviewed. There is approximately $30,000 left in the budget.

Bids to paint the concrete walls of the new salt shed were discussed. To paint the inside would be $5695. To paint the outside would be $2795. Discussion was held. Matt Andersen made a motion to not paint any of the salt shed this year. The motion died do to the lack of a second. Mike Oslie made a motion to paint the exterior for $2795. Jim Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The correspondence was a letter from the DNR regarding properties in the MFL

The Fire Board update was given by Matt Andersen. The department is doing well fiscally. The department is paying for a truck out of their own accounts. The 2027 proposed budget is up $4225 of which $2112.50 is our share. Turn out gear is more expensive as well as the cost of insurance.

No update for the Lake District.

Mike Oslie made a motion to approve the financial report. Jim Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Andersen made a motion to approve checks #2845 through #28596 Jim Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim Larson made a motion to adjourn. Mike Oslie seconded it. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.