

State of Minnesota
County of Chisago
Town of Franconia

The Franconia Town Board met December 21st, 2010 at the Franconia Town Hall with the following present: Supervisors Verner Greene Jr., Sue Thompson, Jim Birkholz, Suzi Johnson, Deputy Clerk, David Johnson, Treasurer, Elise Hiljes, & Jon Bruno.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm and the pledge of allegiance was waved. The minutes were read and Verner moved to approved and Jim seconded, the motion was carried.

The donation from the pull tabs totaled \$10, 000. The Township put the money into the Shafer Fire Department account to be used for new equipment,etc. Sue moved to accept the donation, Jim seconded, motion carried.

Dave checked with the Sec of State and Development Finance Corporation updated their license. Perhaps Ryan can help....Dave will check on this.

Tom Wolf has not paid for the road vacating meeting regarding vacating a part of Cornelian Blvd on his property.

The Town Board will bill Day Springs Homeowners Association for plowing 5 times.

Sue will check on billing the bank for plowing the road to the one house of Development Finance Corp property.

Treasurer's report was read, checks were prepared for the bills and signed. Claim numbers 10202-10220...totaling \$34,623.74

John Frederickson and Garris Anderson maintenance employees qualify for PERA. David has submitted the paperwork and an invoice will follow.

New Business:

-Stan was summoned by the local authorities to sand and salt Olympic Trail following the Nelson house fire

-the old truck is at Shafer Auto for repair...needs a new belt

-New township truck...AP will give prices on a ½ or ¾ ton 4 wheel drive.

Verner will price both.

-Sue contacted Chisago and will contact Osceola students about election

judge trainee for our election...Nation Honors Society was another suggestion.

-Sue will pursue getting flyers for the Atlas program at the Chisago Library.

-Sue sent email to Tara...Rush City is the next location for cell tower. Tara seems miss-informed about our request for free space for the 800mg addition to the new mono-pole on Jerry Vitalis' property. Jan 6th is the Planning Commission meeting on this issue.

-Warren White issue...he wants \$12,782.81 to satisfy the 260th and Th 95 Street project....Verner asked for suggestions, discussion followed, Verner moved to pay Warren \$10,000 per the proposal at the Oct board meeting, Sue seconded, motion carried.

-followed up with Daryl Moller, County Assessor regarding the easement on Oldfield. He doesn't care if the road gets vacated or not as a better description has been researched and the parcel now appears on the County Plat

-Park Commission...they are updating park plan...will report in January.

-Suzi called the MN Township paper and corrected the filing dates for election.

-Sue wants to start working on budgets.

-Dave reported that there is no insurance compensation for wind damage for the shingles on the town hall roof.

-Ryan affirmed Stan should go to a road blacktop maintenance and repair class but should be required to take notes and explain to the supervisors best practices learned....Verner suggested the board look into it

-Info from Jim Birkholz... Soil and Water State-wide Conservation project gets money (\$380,000) for working with the county...possibility for work in Franconia Township. If the town board knows of projects, contact Jim Birkholz.

Discovery Farms programs to support Ag groups...maybe a site in Franconia...suggestion to bring it up at the annual meeting

-Discussion on Deputy Town Clerk compensation:

- wait to see what happens with John's recovery

- review on a monthly basis

- get John's phone forwarded

- get PO Box for Township mail

- pay Deputy Town Clerk monthly

Verner moved to adjourn the meeting, Sue seconded, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Suzi Johnson, Deputy Town Clerk