

MINUTES

State of Minnesota

County of Chisago

Town of Franconia

The Franconia Town Board met on October 16, 2012, at the Franconia Town Hall with the following present: Supervisors: Vern Greene, Sue Thompson, Jim Birkholz, Missy Glenna, Clerk, Barb Kienberger, Treasurer, Guests: Theresa and Kevin Slattengren, and Tim Stelter and Jim Bride from Osceola Ambulance Service.

The meeting was called to order by Vern Greene at 7:10 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was waived.

The agenda was set and a motion to approve the agenda was made by Sue Thompson and seconded by Jim Birkholz; motion carried 3-0.

Sue Thompson motioned to accept the minutes of the October 2, 2012, meeting as presented. Jim Birkholz seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Citizen/Public Comment:

Tim Stelter and Jim Bride from Osceola Ambulance Service who provide ambulance service to our township stated that last year, they responded to 23 emergency calls in our township. They are asking for a partnership with Franconia Township with a \$2,000 per year stipend.

Kevin and Theresa Slattengren have a Conditional Use Permit for an Agriculture Store on their property that they are requesting approval from the board. The Conditional Use Permit application was not received from the county at the time of the meeting and the Board listened to the Slattengren proposal but could not act. Sue Thompson offered to attend the November 1, Planning Commission meeting to advise the Commission that the township has no official position but supports the Slattengren permit request.

Treasurer's Report:

- Current Investments and Cash Control Statement was provided.
- Jim Birkholz motioned to accept the Current Investments and Cash Control Statement. Sue Thompson seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.
- Jim Birkholz motioned to accept the Treasurer's Claims List for approval #13 and #14 and Payroll with checks #10978 and #10979. Sue Thompson seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.
- There was discussion regarding contracts and donations approved at the 2011 Annual Meeting.

Clerk's Report:

- A letter from Day Spring housing development requesting snow plowing was received.

- Jim motioned to charge \$110/hour and a \$5 invoice fee. Sue Thompson seconded the motion; motion tabled.
- November 1, 2012, at 7:00pm will be a zoning ordinance amendment meeting at the Chisago County Court House.
- Jim motioned to accept the 260th Street speed zone recommendation, but not post it. Sue seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0. The clerk was directed to draft a letter of response.
- Vern motioned to change the next board meeting from November 6, 2012, to November 5, 2012, at 7pm. Sue seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.
- Vern motioned to accept the Clerk's Cash Control Statement and Current Investments. Jim seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.
- Jim left the meeting at 8:54p.m.
- Vern motioned to accept the Clerk's Claims list for Approval paying claims #1021, #10980, #10983-#10986. Sue seconded the motion; motion carried 2-0. Claims #10981 and #10982 were withheld because of further research on billing.

Old Business:

- There was discussion about acquiring a credit card through Royal Credit Union. The Clerk will make the application.
- Employee compensation was discussed.
- There was discussion about record retention, the Township Policy Manual, fire contracts, and cleaning the town hall.
- Vern will ask Stan about road mileage certification.
- Sue created a newsletter to hand out at the General Election.

New Business:

- The Annual MAT Conference is November 15-17, 2012.
- Vern motioned to approve anyone who wants to attend the Annual conference. Sue seconded the motion; motion carried 2-0.

Upcoming Meetings:

- November 5, 2012, 7:00p.m. Franconia Township meeting.
- November 15-17, 2012, MAT Annual Conference in St. Cloud, Minnesota.
- November 22, 2012, CCATO meeting at the North Branch Senior Center.

Vern motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:20pm. Sue seconded the motion; motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa (Missy) Glenna

Franconia Township Clerk