

MINUTES

State of Minnesota

County of Chisago

Town of Franconia

The Franconia Town Board met on September 8, 2015, at the Franconia Town Hall with the following present: Supervisors: John Bruno, Kevin Rochel and Dennis Gustafson; Missy Glenna, Clerk, Karen Anderson, Treasurer, Lee Cartier, Maintenance, and Ryan Goodman, Township Engineer. Guests: Rick Greene, Bill Gemuenden, Neil Heinecke, Jacqueline Smallman, Brett Smallman, Robert Randall, David Spohn, Dennis Niemi, Jerry Murray, Loren Shaleen, and Barry Sutherland.

Dennis **motioned** to open the meeting at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was said.

Kevin **motioned** to approve the agenda for the meeting. John seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

John **motioned** to approve the August 11, 2015, minutes as presented. Kevin seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Citizen/Public Comment:

There was discussion regarding Quinlan Avenue. Citizen's noted that Quinlan Avenue is in bad condition. It is either dusty or soupy. There was discussion about blacktop. There was discussion about repairing the foundation on sections of Quinlan. Franconia Chair, Dennis Gustafson, stated that citizens can vote on blacktop at the Annual Meeting on March 8, 2016, at 8:15pm.

Double Chip Seal Coating was brought up. Ryan stated that Double Chip Seal Coating costs 1/3 the price of blacktop. He also noted that the coating requires a low volume of 300 cars or less per day.

Pot holes on 280th Street were discussed. The ditch on the south side of 280th needs repair and is contributing to the pot holes. Ryan explained assessment waivers of lot owners for assessing for blacktop or Double Chip Seal Coating.

County Commissioner, Rick Greene, explained that Hwy 8 will be closed for repair the spring of 2016 to the fall of 2016. There will be a roundabout at Hwy 95/Hwy8/Tern Avenue. He also stated that in 2016 there will be zero county levy increase. Commissioner Greene noted that the right-of-way for County Road 26 is almost finished.

Maintenance Report:

Lee stated that he has been grading and mowing.

Engineer's Report:

Ryan provided the second and final request for payment to Allied Blacktop Company for the Seal Coating project.

John **motioned** to pay Allied Blacktop Company in the amount of \$9,716.70 for Seal Coating. Kevin seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer's Report:

- The Treasurer provided a Cash Control Statement, a Current Investments Statement, a Receipts Register, a Disbursements Register, and a Statement of Orders Issued (Schedule 9).
- John **motioned** to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Kevin seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.
- Dennis **motioned** to approve the payroll with checks #11866, 11868-11869, 11881 and claims 186-189, #11867 was voided. John seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Clerk's Report:

Dennis **motioned** to approve the Clerk's claims with checks #00915, 11870-11880, 11882. Kevin seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

The Clerk distributed copies verifying that the clerk and treasurer balance with each other and the bank to the board members.

New Business:

Dennis **motioned** to approve Variance 04.00226.00 for Aggregate Industries. Kevin seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Committee Reports:

John and Dennis attended the Chisago County Association of Township Officers (CCATO) meeting August 26, 2015. Sheriff Duncan was the speaker and discussed crime statistics.

Dennis and John attended the District Meeting September 2, 2015. They learned 10% of townships are not reporting to the state.

Upcoming Meetings:

- CCATO Meeting September 30, 2015, 7pm North Branch Senior Center
- Franconia Township regular meeting October 13, 2015

John **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 9:50pm. Kevin seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa (Missy) Glenna
Franconia Township Clerk

Dennis Gustafson
Franconia Township Chair