June 12th 2018

MINUTES:

TOWN OF FRANCONIA

The town board meet on June 12th 2018, with the following present: Supervisors: Dennis Gustafson, Kevin Rochel, Clerk, Shirley Gustafson, Treasure, Karen Anderson, Maintenance, Lee Cartier, Jake Guzik, PE, Engineer, John Chrun, Jason Pearson, Sheriff Brandon Thyen, Katie Hebert, Julie Jensen, Spike Dally, Tom Parenteau, Shellee Parenteau, Joe Johnson, Suzi Johnson, Fitzie Heimdahl, Tony Minnichsoffer.

Meeting was called to order by Dennis Gustafson at 7:00pm. The pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion to accept the agenda with the addition of adding John Chrun to the agenda under old business, was made by Dennis Gustafson, second by Kevin Rochel. Motion Passed.

Motion to accept the previous board minutes, Kevin Rochel made motion to approve, Dennis Gustafson second, Motion passed.

Sheriff Brandon Thyen introduced himself as our new sheriff for Chisago County. He gave a short presentation on his history as a peace officer.

New Business: Tony Minnichsoffer gave a brief presentation on the Franconia Township book. And the desires for the town board to participate with funds allocated for that purpose. Fitzie Heimdahl followed with a presentation on his qualifications as a grant writer and how the grant would work. Dennis Gustafson followed stating that the township would require a contract to make sure the book project would not become a finical burden on tax payer's money. Tony Minnichsoffer and Fitzie Heimdahl said they would come up with a contract for the town board to review.

Julie Jensen representing the village of Franconia made a request to the board to review options to slow the speed limit down with in the village. Possible solutions discussed were, Temporary speed bumps, additional stop sign on Summer Street and Cornelian Blvd. Possible speed study to be done by Min Dot from highway 95 to the bridge and within the village. Possible contracting with the Chisago county sheriff for additional patrol hours with in the village. Dennis Gustafson agreed to research the possibility's.

Jason Pearson gave a presentation on various methods of repair to blacktop roads. He presented a quote to the board to do flex patching of cracks on 280th street. The board took no action on this.

Treasure report presented by Karen Anderson. Kevin Rochel motioned to approve and Dennis Gustafson seconded. Motion passed. Claims were presented and Dennis Gustafson motioned to accept, Kevin Rochel second, motion passed.

Old Business, John Chrun proposed to the board to research the possibility of the township doing an ordinance on solar that would put more restrictive restrictions on solar installations than what the county does now with their zoning ordinance. Dennis Gustafson suggested that a meeting would be helpful between the county representatives and John Chrun and Dennis Gustafson. Dennis agreed to see if a meeting could be arranged.

Address signs were reviewed with a quote from Wes Herberg to install the signs with in the township. His quote was \$20.00 per sign, a quote from safety signs was also reviewed at \$28.50 per sign. Dennis Gustafson made the motion to accept the quote from Wes Herberg for \$20.00 per sign. Kevin Rochel second the motion, motion passed.

Maintenance, Lee Cartier reported that vandals have taken the catalytic converter off the township pickup and siphoned fuel out of the tank. Board discussed possible insurance coverage to repair. Lee Cartier reported that he has been grading roads, and started mowing the road sides. Discussion on graveling roads time schedule and application of chloride on 259th.

Committee reports were discussed, Ccato, and Highway 8 task force. And Joint powers meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Gustafson, second by Kevin Rochel at 10:15pm. Motion passed.

Shirley Gustafson

Dennis Gustafson

Franconia Township Clerk

Franconia township chairman