

MINUTES:

December 11th, 2018

County of Chisago

Town of Franconia.

The Franconia Town Board meet on December 11th 2018, at the Franconia Town Hall with the following present. Supervisors: Kevin Rochel, Owen Kuhnly, Dennis Gustafson. Shirley Gustafson, Clerk. Karen Anderson, Treasure. Lee Cartier, Maintenance.

Dennis Gustafson motioned to open the meeting at 7:00pm. The pledge of Allegiance was said.

Dennis Gustafson motioned to approve the agenda for the meeting. Owen Kuhnly seconded. Motion passed.

Kevin Rochel motioned to accept the previous minutes, Owen Kuhnly second, motion passed.

Karen Anderson presented the treasures report. Dennis Gustafson motioned to approve the claims submitted # 364-367, and bank pay #383-386; 001118; ph01118; ph01218; 12691; 12692 thru 12704. Payroll checks #12705, #12706, #12707. Dennis Gustafson made the motion to accept the treasures report, Kevin Rochel second, motion passed. Discussion was held on possibly paying down on our certificate of indebtedness from our black top fund. Providing it is allowed. Discussion was also held on moving some money out of Road and bridge and transferring in to savings. Dennis Gustafson motioned to pay an additional payment on the certificate of indebtedness in the amount of \$215,000.00 with the stipulation that it is legal. Also, to transfer \$ 285,00.00 from Road and bridge into savings. Owen Kuhnly seconded, motion passed. Kevin Rochel motioned to move \$45,346.11 in the interest fund to the General fund to cover the shortage. Owen Kuhnly second, motion passed.

Shirley Gustafson presented a letter written by chairman Gustafson acknowledging the letter of credit on Sierra Ave has expired and the township has excepted the road. Shirley reported on the Franconia book to be written on the township. Shirley presented a resolution to state a polling place for 2019 to be at the Town Hall. Dennis Gustafson made the motion to except the resolution designating the polling place for 2019 to be at the town hall. Owen Kunley second, motion passed. Shirley presented the tax statement from the county for the land purchased. Discussions was held on deferring paying on taxes on the land for 2010.

Lee Cartier reported on conditions of roads. Because of early freeze up some roads are a little rough but there is not solution until spring. A drive way was installed off the cal-a-sak on Quarry road. Some bush mowing has been done. Discussion on renting a mower or hiring a contractor to do some mowing. Lee Cartier would see what a new mower would cost. And also, to see if we could hire to have the work done. Discussion on a printer for the maintenance shop. A recommendation to look at the old printer in the storage room to see if that would work out.

Discussion on renting out the land in the paper. Dennis said he would consult with an attorney to see if we need to advertise. Dennis presented a draft letter to prospective farmers for approval to send to farmers in the area.

Discussion on address signs, Dennis reported the project completed with the exception of four signs that were wrong. Dennis reported to the board he reported this to Scott Sellman and he said he would contact the sign people to resolve this issue.

Committee reports; Dennis Gustafson and Kevin Rochel attended the joint powers board. The subject of the township has been requested to

pay a portion of the retirement fund. Dennis Gustafson stated he would bring up the subject at the next town board meeting. Karen Anderson reported that the city of Shafer gets ten percent of the pull tab money to pay to the retirement fund. The board decided to research this further.

Upcoming meetings:

Franconia Town Board meeting for January 8th, 2019

Dennis Gustafson made the motion to adjourn, Keven Rochel second, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Gustafson

Franconia Township Clerk

Dennis Gustafson

Franconia Township Chair

APPROVED