

**GARFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

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**Monday, October 10, 2011, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Garfield Township Hall**  
**1138 West Erickson Road, Linwood MI 48634**

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**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by James Dubay the Supervisor at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call: Supervisor-James Dubay, Clerk-Kimberly Day, Treasurer-Betty Monsion, Trustee-Brad Dubay, Trustee-James Herber were present.

The Pledge was said in unison. Public attendance was twenty-nine.

Minutes from the September 12, 2011 regular meeting were presented. Motion made by James Herber/Brad Dubay to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented. Motion made by Brad Dubay/James Herber to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Bills presented. See attached. Motion made by James Dubay/Brad Dubay to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Betty Monsion asked the board about cashing the check from the Garfield Park & Rec for the Rods & Redneck car show next year. Supervisor explained that if they do not provide insurance they will just lose their deposit.

Supervisor explained if any resident would like to have something put on the agenda they must put it in writing and give to a board member a week before the meeting.

**Public Comment:** Len Gorgol commented on the behavior of Planning Commission members and issues with the Zoning Ordinance.

Karen Snyder discussed disappointment with the board about Halloween party. We need to work together on events, and this board is standing in our way.

Connie Fantozzi commented on insurance.

Kathy Sivernale commented on the behavior of the Planning Commission Chairman.

Supervisor said he has spoke with the chairman and this Zoning Ordinance need to be done.

Karen Snyder discussed issues she is having on the Planning Commission Board. Everyone needs to work together.

Sheryl Protasiewicz told the supervisor to listen to the tape recordings and that will tell him exactly what is going on at the Planning Commission meeting.

Renee Kurowski stated she was on the Planning Commission for 10 years. Need to work on this Zoning Ordinance together.

James Herber stated that a lot lead us up to this point with the Planning Commission several meeting listening to the public and hearing their suggestions.

Steve Schumacher from the fire department stated that they are strictly volunteers. They have been hearing negative comments made against fire department.

Kathleen Niemiec she is new to local government and she can not believe how hatefully some people can be in this community.

Tom Krzewinski lives on Almeada Beach and would like to know if the Road Commission can take the nole out of the road. Supervisor stated that as soon as the Bay County Road Commission gets their hydro seeder fixed they will be doing that work on Almeada Beach.

Terry Passinault discussed Planning Commission, Zoning Ordinance and Hall Use Committee.

Tom Krzewinski said the firefighters have been to his home and they are doing a great job.

**Unfinished Business:** Received denial letter from Michigan Liquor Control Commission on topless activity at the Silver Derby Bar.

Gary from Republic Services will be dropping off survey cards.

A letter was received from the Bay County Health Department on township hall septic system. Supervisor read letter out loud.

We do not have a Fire Board or Fire Authority so therefore the fire departments meeting are not open to the public. All the fire department is doing is having staff meeting. All decisions are made at the township board meeting.

Karen Snyder questioned letter from the Bay County Health Department.

Renee Kurowski said that on the Michigan Liquor Control Commission web-site the Silver Derby Bar has applied for an appeal.

**New Business:** Misconduct by Planning Commission member 9-13-11. Supervisor asked Joe Boudreau about this. Joe said listen to the tapes.

Dissolve Planning Commission and give back to the county. There was little discussion by board on this issue.

The clerk has gone through all the Township Ordinances and re-types them. All board members are to go over these Ordinances several of them are passed there time limit and some outdated. Board will go over next month.

**Planning Commission:** The next meeting will be October 11, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. All there meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. now.

**Fire Chief:** Looking into getting air packs. Very proud of the guys on the department. If anyone is interested 911 has special alerts that can be sent to your cell phones to keep you updated on different issues. See attached F.O.R.C.E. report.

**Miscellaneous:** Discussed changing the meeting date for November meeting. Motion made by James Herber/Brad Dubay to change meeting date to November 11, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried

Motion made by Brad Dubay/James Herber to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.

Kimberly Day, Clerk

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