GARFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, January 9, 2012, 6:00 p.m. Garfield Township Hall 1138 West Erickson Road, Linwood MI 48634

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 were present, Trustee-James Herber was absent.

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

Minutes from the December 12, 2011 regular meeting were presented. Motion made by Betty Monsion/Brad Dubay to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented. Motion made by Brad Dubay/Kimberly Day to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

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

Public Comment: Joe Boudreau asked if the Township still has a web-site? Can we hire someone to monitor site? It has been down for over a month. Brad Dubay stated that we need to move web-site to a different server.

Unfinished Business: Agriculture reappraisal is 100% complete. Motion made by James Dubay/Betty Monsion to sign contract to start Residential reappraisal @ \$25.00 a parcel. Motion carried.

Township Board will hold a work session to complete the hall usage/lease agreement.

Bruce Bodrie was acting Chairman of the Planning Commission for five months in 2011. He would like to have the pay of the Chairman position, which is \$40.00 per meeting, it would be an increase of \$10.00 from the amount he was being paid. The clerk does not make that decision. That is a township board decision. We will come back to this when James Herber is present, he advised supervisor on phone before meeting he would like to make this motion.

Special Events that was submitted to Insurance Company for review will be back this week.

New Business: The Township Board received a letter on a Blite concern at 528

Crump Street. We need to revisit the Blite issue on Carter Road, and the next Blite issue the Township Board was going to address was Kitchen Road. The supervisor notified the Crump Street Blite property owner, they will be working on cleaning it up. Motion made by Brad Dubay/Kimberly Day to send a letter to Kitchen Road Blite property owner.

Supervisor wanted residents to know that there has been a break-in in the township.

Planning Commission: James Herber still absent. Clarence Pelton gave report. The Planning Commission is one item away from sending the Zoning Ordinance to the Township Attorney.

Fire Chief: 112 run for 2011. They are going to be working on their Bi-Laws.

Lee Heritier gave the F.O.R.C.E. report. (See Attached).

James Herber present at 7:30 p.m.

Revisited paying Bruce Bodrie for acting Chairman position. Motion made by James Herber/Brad Dubay to pay Bruce Bodrie the extra \$10.00 per month for the Chairman position for the five months he served as acting Chairman on the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous: Kimberly Day asked the Township Board what other meeting was being held at the Township Hall on December 13, 2011 the same day as the Board of Review Meeting. Brad stated it was a Garfield Park and Rec. meeting. Kimberly Day stated if it was a Garfield Township Park and Recreation meeting it was not posted, and that would violate the Open Meetings Act. It was not a Township Committee meeting, Brad Dubay/Karen Snyder confirmed. Supervisor state they are a private organization and they need a hall agreement to use the Township Hall.

Betty Monsion questioned the sign out front, could someone please put the tax hours on the sign. Supervisor will take care of it he has always just done all the maintenance at the township hall.

Betty Monsion questioned the sound system, when will we have something up and running? James Dubay and Brad Dubay will get together and figure something out, if not we need to hire someone.

Public Comment: Joe Boudreau did the township board budget for a Zoning Administrator/Code Enforcer in this budget year 2011-2012?

Motion made by Betty Monsion/Brad Dubay to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Kimberly Day, Clerk