

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

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**Monday, July 9, 2012, 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, and Trustee-James Herber were present.

The Pledge was said in unison. Public attendance was Twenty-Four.

Minutes from the June 11, 2012 regular meeting were presented.

Motion made by Brad Dubay/Betty Monsion to approve the minutes as printed.  
Motion carried.

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

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

**Public Comment:** Terry Passinault asked if we are getting a Zoning Enforcer. We do not need one in our township; it is the township boards responsibly to enforce the ordinances. Someone on the township board should be selected to enforce. He went on to discuss the issue he had with a fence and how he had to go to court.

Connie Fontozzi if the township board is going to hire a Zoning Enforcer are they going to have any authority or do they have to come to the township board with every issue.

James Herber is very upset about a rumor that someone started about him saying something about someone on the fire department. Whoever started it can be a man and come and speak to him about it.

Clarence Pelton Bay County Road Commission hooked a road counter to his mailbox, why would they hook it to his mailbox? Are they checking traffic on Crump Street?

**Guest:** Joan Brausch is running for 98<sup>th</sup> State House District she gave a informational speech, passed out updated district maps and a flyer with information about her.

**Unfinished Business:** Sound System is working but it needs some adjusting.

Web-site address is [www.garfieldtownship-bc.com](http://www.garfieldtownship-bc.com) we are working on getting all the information and pictures to the designer, hoping to have it up and running with in a couple months.

We had more items than what we thought for the auction. Items will be set out in the hall we will be taking sealed bids at the August meeting.

Motion made by James Dubay/Brad Dubay to sign Road Commission agreement 5-2012-02 for 2,700 ton of 23A Aggregate. Motion carried. Discussed road conditions, we will look at what roads are in need of gravel.

**New Business:** Received a price on a 3' x 20' scrapper mat (just like the one in front of the entry door at hall) cost would be \$349.00 if they put an edge on it; it would be an additional \$110.00. Motion made by Betty Monsion/Kimberly Day to purchase the mat without the edge. Motion carried.

There was a lot of discussion about the bandstand project. Leroy Day said the township would have to get a special use permit do to the noise. (James Dubay will call MTA and check on this). Who would pay for the special use permit the township or the non-profit group? Motion made by James Dubay/Brad Dubay to go ahead and check into special use permit; and allow the bandstand to be build. All details will be worked out by both parties involved. Motion carried.

All board members have had a chance to review the Hall Lease Agreement and Hall Lease Waiver. Motion made by James Dubay/James Herber to approve the agreement and waiver. Motion carried.

Stanford Gas has submitted a proposed propane price for the 2012-2013 heating season. \$1.79 per gallon is the proposed price James Dubay will contact Stanford Gas and see if this is the best price they can give use. Motion made by James Dubay/James Herber to accept the proposal from Stanford Gas. Motion carried.

There is a request to transfer the liquor license from Dale Mieske to Kirk Dundas. (See Attached) Motion made by Brad Dubay/James Herber to submit the transfer with one stipulation that they do not apply for a topless entertainment license. Motion carried.

We received a price to put a roof on the shed/garage \$3,200.00. The township board agreed to get a price on a metal roof.

James Herber questioned the insurance break down. Also included in the insurance budget line item is the Life Insurance Policy and Pension. These items do not come from Bamberger Insurance.

Betty Monsion has had several calls on the electric fence that is attached to the townships chain link fence. Lots of discussion on this topic, the township board will look thought previous minutes to see about the land/easement the fence.

**Planning Commission:** August 7 meeting will be rescheduled to August 9 at 6:30 p.m. August 7 is Election Day so the meeting can't be held on that day. Meeting change will be posted in the Pinconning Journal. Several questions from the Planning Commission: Appointment date of all planning commission

members. Expired Permits that need to be renewed, can the planning commission members get copied of all permits issues. Who is responsible for fee schedule?

**Fire Chief:** There were nine runs in June. They will be receiving a grant from Emery Oil Company.

**Miscellaneous:** Karen Snyder spoke with Jill Lillo at the Bay County Road Commission and the township can hire an outside contractor to do road work and we can still get the matching money from the Bay County Road Commission.

Jerry Dubay he needs a receipt book.

Leroy Day people do not realize how much work goes into a special use permit. There was lots of questions and input on permits.

Motion made by Betty Monsion/James Herber to pay the Zoning Administrator \$50.00 for every special use permit issued and \$25.00 on every renewal permit issued. Motion carried.

Marcie Passinault read information she received from the Michigan Freedom of Information web-site.

Paul Protasiewicz asked what is going to be done with Carter Road north of Erickson Road. Supervisor stated that if it is up to the township we are just going to leave it the way it is. If we ever get enough funds maybe it can be re-chip and sealed.

What are the chances of another Road Millage?

Supervisor called Road Commission on a four-way stop at the corner of Newberg Road and Eleven Mile Road. The Road Commission said they will NOT even look into it.

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

Kimberly Day, Clerk

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