

GARFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, June 10, 2014, 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-Gerald Rivard and Trustee-Paul Niemiec were all present.

The Pledge was said in unison. Public attendance was twelve.

A moment of silence for Ben Luptowski; a Garfield Township Firefighter who recently passed away.

Motion made by Gerald Rivard/Paul Niemiec to approve the meeting agenda.
Motion carried.

Minutes from the May 12, 2014 regular meeting were presented. Motion made by Gerald Rivard/Paul Niemiec to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented. Motion made by Paul Niemiec/Gerald Rivard to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

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

Northern Bay Ambulance: Sue Root from NBA was present; original operation agreement from 1985 has been updated. Motion made by Gerald Rivard/Paul Niemiec to approve the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the new agreement.
Motion carried.

Planning Commission: Next meeting is scheduled for August 5, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting date will be changed due to the Primary Election is on August 5, 2014. New meeting date will be posted.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Paul Smith gave report: 15 runs (8 medical 2 wires, 5 Mutual Aid). Rick Satkowiak, Jerad Satkowiak, and Josh Vennix have all passed firefighter class. The department is looking at getting prices on new turn out gear. Motion made by James Dubay/Kimberly Day to purchase black fire department coats and give \$100.00 to new recruits that just passed firefighter class. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Karl Teuter gave a brief speech on his background and running for State of House.

Terry Passinault questions for James Dubay; wondering when you can come out and take pictures from his side of the fence. You need to see it from his side of the fence. He came to the hall last Saturday and you were not here, and he has called several times and has gotten no response. Now he knows you were out of town.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Motion made by James Dubay/Betty Monsion to approve PA116 Section 24 80 acres, Section 32 72.5 acres and Section 34 60.65 acres for Wayne Wackerle. Motion carried.

Motion made by Betty Monsion/Paul Niemiec to approve and sign contract with Stanford Gas for \$1.94(9) for the 2014-2015 heating season. Motion carried.

Update on Road Commission; Carter Road and Newberg Road they will crush, shape and put 500 tons of gravel per mile. To turn these two roads back to chip & seal we will have to add 2,200 more tons of gravel at \$40,000.00, double seal @ \$47,000.00 per mile and single seal @ \$20,000.00 per mile. So it will cost approximately \$110,000.00 per mile. If the township turns these two roads back to chip & seal within the first year we will have to pay the Road Commission 100% of the crushing and shaping and gravel for these roads, within the second year 50% within the third year 25%. So the township will have to wait at least four years to seal these two miles.

Motion made by Paul Niemiec/Betty Monsion to finish gravel on Bay Mid County Line Road (between Levely Road/Townline 16 Road) approximately \$6,000.00. Gravel on the north end of Rogers Road approximately \$7,200.00. And apply a maintenance seal on Carter Road (South of Erickson Road $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile.) Motion carried.

Motion made by James Dubay/Gerald Rivard to reseal what needs to be sealed and then spend what we have left in gravel for our three year plan with the Bay County Road Commission. Motion carried.

Motion made by Paul Niemiec/Betty Monsion to change Section 2.18 Item #11 in the Township Policy Book from extended public comment to miscellaneous township board items. Motion carried.

The supervisor made the following statement: "After further review of township policies in regards to board correspondence it is the township's policy to receive and file all correspondences. If the filer of the correspondence wishes to have it read out loud at a township meeting it must be done by the filer during public comment. Furthermore at this time I am retracting all statements in the Passinault's letters read at the May 12th 2014 meeting. In no way do I support, condone, or believe the Passinault's statements are true and I formally apologize to Keith and Michele Wedding."

Public Comment: Marcie Passinault; would like her original paper that she filled out at the Board of Review. She would like to file it with the Tax Tribunal. Also, in her recent FOIA request she did not receive the emails from Tom Fouchia and James Dubay that were in Tom's packet. Is the fence violation in the hands of the attorney? This has been in violation for one

year. This is not just a fence violation it is a multi-violation and according to the zoning ordinance you can recoup your funds.

Bryan Merda are you stating you can only take one violation to court at a time; due to the fact that the township has to put the money up front. And if you win the case that you recoup your money. Supervisor stated this is correct.

Connie Fontozzi; are you going to change public comment to the end of the meeting. Supervisor stated that we will not be changing it to the end.

Florence Gotfryd; she greatly appreciates what we are doing with the roads they are all in such terrible condition. In Monroe County the roads are so terrible you can hardly drive on them.

Motion made by Betty Monsion/Gerald Rivard to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Kimberly Day, Clerk