

GARFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

Monday, September 8, 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 seventeen.

Motion made by Gerald Rivard/Betty Monsion to approve the meeting agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes from the August 11, 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 Gerald Rivard/Paul Niemiec to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Motion made by James Dubay/Gerald Rivard to make the following budget line item adjustments: add \$10,484.66 to Refunds (Income) and add \$10,484.66 to Hall Maintenance (Expenditures). Motion carried.

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

Northern Bay Ambulance: October 2 at 6:00 p.m. is the next scheduled meeting. They just received the signed contract with Gibson Township for 2014 for \$20.00 per household. Gibson Township would like to have the same contract for 2015. Waiting for attorney's opinion on several questions regarding Gibson Township. Should have more information next month.

Planning Commission: Paul Niemiec reported minutes from the August 12 meeting are on the table and the next Planning Commission meeting is December 2, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Paul Smith gave report: There were five medical runs, purchased a gas monitor with a grant they received. One firefighter is attending first responder class.

Public Comment: Gerald Sylvester representing the Crump Conservation Club

discussed having "No Parking" signs on either side of the road in front of the Crump Conservation Club. Sheriff John Miller also submitted a letter recommending the "No Parking" signs be posted. Motion made by Kimberly Day/Gerald Rivard to allow the "No Parking" signs on both sides of the road in front of the Crump Conservation Club. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: Motion made by Kimberly Day/Paul Niemiec to approve the following three year road plan with the Bay County Road Commission. Reseal in 2015 Anderson Road Nine Mile to Eight Mile, Eight Mile Road Linwood Road to Anderson Road, Reseal in 2016 Kitchen Road Garfield Road to Eleven Mile, Anderson Road Garfield Road to Nine Mile, the money that is left put into gravel for Roads.

We are still looking for a Sexton Don Galloner did say he will continue until November. He is working with the board on finding a new Sexton.

New Business: After reviewing the increase in the Trash, the Township Board would like to have Gary Hicks attend the next Township meeting.

Motion made by Paul Niemiec/Betty Monsion to accept Kimberly Day's written resignation from the Fire Department Liaison committee. Motion carried.

Motion made by Betty Monsion/Paul Niemiec to have the clerk fill out the Credit Application for Tire Center. This is for the Fire Department. Motion carried.

Kimberly Day presented the Township Board with documents she received from the Fire Chief to order pagers for the Fire Department. Supervisor asked the Fire Chief if he could get one to try; he stated he could but he would like five. The Township Board will review the documents and table until next month.

Kimberly Day stated that she has heard that twice the Fire Chief made the statement that she is not doing her job. She stated she reviewed the Clerk's guide from Michigan Township Association and the Township Policy book. She would like to know what part of her job she is not doing. She stated she takes that statement very personal as to the fact she feels she goes above and beyond her duties as the clerk. Fire Chief Paul Smith stated he has asked her for things and he has not received them. Kimberly Day asked the Fire Chief are they the documents on the pages that she has no authority to fill out; without board approval.

Betty Monsion stated she feels the clerk does a wonderful job, and the clerk does her job very well.

James Dubay stated if Kimberly Day ever leaves we hope she trains the next clerk. He state he doesn't know what he would do without Kimberly Day.

Reminder on salt brine if you have a doctor's note take it to the Road Commission.

Dumpster looks good, does not look like it has been over full. We will continue to watch.

Supervisor stated be looked at picnic tables at Tractor Supply they were very expensive. He will do more checking.

Motion made by Betty Monsion/Gerald Rivard to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. Motion carried.

Kimberly Day, Clerk