

GARFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

Monday, February 8, 2016, 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-Brenda Satkowiak, Trustee-Paul Niemiec and Trustee-Gerald Rivard were all present.

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

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

Minutes from the January 11, 2016 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 Gerald Rivard/Paul Niemiec to make the following budget line item adjustments: add \$10,000.00 to Tax Collection income and create Blight Clean Up line item with the amount of \$10,000.00 Motion carried.

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

Northern Bay Ambulance: Will hire their own paramedics; we will no longer be in a partnership with McLaren. In April NBA will longer be making runs to Gibson Township.

Planning Commission: Paul Niemiec gave report: Next Regular Meeting will be held on February 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Fire Department: There were ten runs for the month.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Ray Scherzer 2240 Bay Mid Line he contacted Mills Township they are willing to split the cost on Bay Mid Line Road.

Russ Bennett 2718 Bay Mid Line the river floods and the culvert washes out; this has happened two years in a row. He contacted Road Commission; they come out two days later patched it with gravel and drove away. Someone is going to get hurt. He would like to see a steel culvert before spring, there is going to be a lawsuit. This has been detreating for 18-19 years.

Len Gorgol 1832 West Anderson Road there seems to be a road block on the ordinances they are being delayed due to having to pass a resolution, he hopes the votes will not change. He would like to see a second public comment at the end of the meeting. People should have the right to speak at the end of the meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

Old Business: Resolution 2016-2 An Ordinance Amending the Garfield Township Zoning Ordinance Regarding the Minimum Lot Size for AR, Agricultural/Rural Residential and R1, Medium Density Residential Zoning Districts and The Distance Requirements for Outdoor Furnaces. (see Attached) Motion made by Paul Niemiec/Gerald Rivard, motion carried. Roll call vote: Gerald Dubay "yes", Brenda Satkowiak "yes", James Dubay "yes", Kimberly Day "yes", Paul Niemiec "yes". Resolution declared adopted.

New Business: Motion made by Paul Niemiec/Gerald Rivard to adopt the Federal Poverty Guideline used in the Poverty Exemption 2016. Motion carried.

Motion made by Brenda Satkowiak/Gerald Rivard to change Trash from one to three on Parcel 09-050-200-035-00. Motion carried.

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Motion made by Paul Niemiec/Gerald Rivard to Reappoint Lee Deary to the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

IRS Pension Resolution; board members would like a chance to review. Will discuss next month.

Motion made by James Dubay/Gerald Rivard to turn over Dog/Cat license collection to Bay County Treasurer as of February 29, 2016. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous from the Board: None

Public Comment: Russ Bennett would like to know if his statement will be in the minutes.

Connie Fantozzi 1695 West Erickson Road in reference to Zoning Changes can one that one change be addressed at a public hearing.

Len Gorgol recommendation to the supervisor when there is a motion made look at each board member and ask if there is any discussion. There might be questions from other board members and they might like to discuss them further. Would like open bids on insurance. When will zoning changes be in the newspaper.

Dennis Landosky questioned how much we will be paying Billy's Contracting will it be the contract amount. Also questioned the pension plan.

Motion made by Gerald Rivard/Brenda Satkowiak to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Kimberly Day, Clerk