

SPECIAL MEETING

Monday MAY 22, 2017

Garfield Township Hall

1138 W Erickson Road, Linwood, MI 48634

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, James Dubay, at 6:30 p.m.

Public attendance was 31.

Roll was taken, Gerald Rivard, Karen Snyder, James Dubay, Connie Fantozzi, and Leroy Day all present.

The Pledge was said in unison.

Apology was made by Dubay for stating the meeting would be at 6:30 tonight during the May 8, 2017 meeting but putting it in the Pinconning Journal, on the website and on the sign as being at 6:00.

Roads

Kitchen Road	8 Mile to 9 Mile	questionable if salvageable
Kitchen Road	Garfield to 11 Mile	needs resealing this year
Anderson Road	9 Mile to Garfield	questionable if can go another year

Dubay is waiting response from Road Commission on above roads before making determinations for this year.

Grant Writing

Leonard Gorgol agreed to do some groundwork for the grant writer for no wage but wants a title and access to the computer in the Trustee office for his work. Gorgol is working with Glen and Kildee's office towards getting a wooden structure for Erickson Road at an approximate price of \$250,000. Motion made by Day/Snyder. Motion carried.

Cemetery Rules

After much discussion with meeting attendees and reading of the Groundskeeper job description, the following rules were agreed upon.

Garfield Township Cemetery Rules and Regulations

1. Any footings for headstones will be no higher than ground level. Sexton must be contacted before any foundations are constructed. He usually does this work.
2. This work must be constructed of concrete.
3. New grave sites will be grass covered only (for exceptions, see item #4). No permanent plantings of trees, shrubs or bushes will be allowed. However, flowers can be planted on the gravesites but must be weeded by the family. Groundskeeper will mow as close to the flowers as he can. No weed whacking will be done between flowers.
4. If family doesn't remove winter grave decorations by April 15th of each year the groundskeeper will remove them. Ornaments of any type (wire flower baskets, vases, statues, etc.) are allowed placed next to the headstones. The groundskeeper will mow as close as possible leaving grass and weeds in between such items to be removed by family.

Borders are allowed up to 4 inches in height and are to be replaced by family when deteriorated. Mowing and/or weed whacking will not be done inside borders by groundskeeper.

5. The Sexton will be attempting to level grave sites whenever excess material is available.
6. Winter graveside services are at the discretion of the Sexton.

7. Grave sites are sold to Garfield Township residents only. Four grave sites maximum per person.

Sites are sold by the Township Clerk. Connie Fantozzi phone 989-879-2552 or
989-313-0071

The Sexton is Martin Coughlin. Phone 989-313-1857

Motion made by Day/Rivard to accept the new rules. Motion carried.

In addition to the above revised rules, Dubay will obtain bids from lawn services to replace the groundskeeper. Dubay will also start looking for a new sexton and obtain bids on a new professionally done sign for the cemetery outlining the above rules.

Motion to adjourn made by Day/Rivard. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Connie Fantozzi, Clerk

Date