

REGULAR MEETING

Monday March 11, 2019

Garfield Township Hall

1138 W Erickson Road, Linwood, MI 48634

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, James Dubay, at 6:02 p.m.

Public attendance was 19.

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

The Pledge was said in unison.

Motion made by Day/Rivard to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion made by Day/Rivard to approve the February 11, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report read by Snyder. Motion made by Rivard/Day to approve the treasurers report. Motion carried.

Fantozzi requested money be moved:

\$40.23 from Office Supplies be moved to Tax Change.

\$150.00 Hall Electric

\$15.00 to Parks Maintenance

\$135.00 to Streetlights

\$2.00 Planning Comm Medicare W/H to Social Security W/H

\$0.02 Trustees Social Security Employer to Salaries

Motion made by Dubay/Day. Motion carried.

Fantozzi requested permission to pay additional bills prior to fiscal year end - \$2,360.85 for winter tax bills to Bay County; \$975.00 to LM Satkowiak for hall snow plowing; \$720.00 to LM Satkowiak for Cemetery snow plowing; and \$650.00 to LM Satkowiak for Fire Dept snow plowing. Additionally, would like to pay \$2,315 to Bay County for drain work in 2018 if the bill comes in.

Motion made by Rivard/Day to pay the bills with inclusion of additional bills as listed above. Motion carried.

Later in meeting Fantozzi requested additional money moves:

\$300.00 from hall maintenance to hall snow plowing

\$220.00 from Fees, Dues etc. to cemetery snow plowing

\$200.00 from Fire Dept building maintenance to Fire Dept Snow Plowing

Motion made by Dubay/Rivard to move money as outlined. Motion carried.

Northern Bay no meeting

Planning Commission no meeting

Fire Dept Report from

13 runs for the past month

6 medical

2 fire (both mutual aid to Pinconning)

first aid

well being check

2 Wires down (less than 1 hour)

1 Personal injury

1 Carbon monoxide alarm

1 cancelled

Erin Milkowski passed her medical test and Fire Dept turned in bill for the \$75.00 testing fee (to come from training money). This will be paid in next fiscal year.

Road Commission

Dubay requesting from Road Commission estimate for ditching & gravel (separate estimates) for Rodgers Road and 11 Mile Road (Erickson to Kitchen and Prevo to Anderson).

Carter Road 3rd coat and 8 Mile 3rd coat planned for 2019

Joseph Rivette – Drain Commission estimates Tebo Drain this year will cost the township approximately \$25,000 for the township share. Possible we may be able to pay this over 3 years.

Correspondence none

Mike Hartman/Gross Airport, Pinconning presented new airport runway plans and requirements. Information to be read by board and turned over to Planning Commission to

include in Master Plan. There will be height restrictions which would affect windmills in a small area of the northeast of the township.

Grant Writer for Roads/Bridges – update nothing

Public Comment

Question asked if airport changes will affect windmills.

Sand trucks on Garfield – it was noted increased road patrols by sheriff due to these trucks and their traveling speed.

Erickson Road bridge – it was noted that Representative Glenn has letter from Dubai outlining the effects on residents, farmers, schools and medical response times. It was also noted that the county Road Commission is not intending to help with this bridge at all even though this is a primary road and their (total) responsibility).

Township Board job descriptions were questioned as to why they don't exist. It was pointed out that elected officials have statutory duties assigned by the state. Duties assigned over and above would require a job description and separate pay. It was noted that these statutory duties can be found on the state website.

When is someone going to be appointed to the Planning Commission – see notes later in meeting under Misc Board.

OLD Business

Website Maintenance

Dubay is setting up domain access and then our service provider will work on the transition and training for Dubay to maintain.

FOIA Changes tabled til 4-2019 meeting

NEW Business

Budget & Settlement Meeting Date

Meeting set for Saturday March 23, 2019 at 9 a.m. Dubay will have notice placed in the Pinconning Journal.

Public Comment

Noted that it was a rough day for our assessor at Board of Review and people should be try to be nicer to her.

Misc Board

BCTOA meeting – Fantozzi advised Day his Executive Board Meeting is 3-27-19 at 6:00 p.m. at Portsmouth Twp. General meeting is 4-17-19 at 6:00 p.m. at Portsmouth Township. Dubai, Day, Snyder and Rivard are planning on attending.

Snyder spoke on looking into CD's for extra money in Trash and Fire Funds with Thumb National Bank. More information to come in subsequent meetings.

Dubai advised a generic application for employment is being looked into to be initiated in the future for all township employees/officials.

Dubai recommended Walter Kotz to Board of Review as a full time member with Sherry Protasewicz becoming alternate member effective Tuesday, March 12, 2019. Motion made by Dubai/Rivard. Motion carried.

Dubai recommended Nathan Rosenbrock to Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion made by Dubai/Snyder. Motion carried.

Dubai recommended Keith Badour to Planning Commission. Motion made Dubai/Day. Motion carried.

Adjournment Motion made by Snyder/Day to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Connie Fantozzi, Clerk

Date