

REGULAR MEETING

Monday August 12, 2019

Garfield Township Hall

1138 W Erickson Road, Linwood, MI 48634

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, James Dubay, at 6:00 p.m.

Public attendance was 6.

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 Rivard/Snyder approve the July 8, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

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

Motion made by Day/Rivard to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Northern Bay

Dubay advised that Northern Bay would like their payments to come quarterly starting with the 2020 winter tax collection (currently they receive 2 payments – 1 at end of winter tax collection and another when delinquent payments are received). Each participating township will have a different quarterly schedule for sending their payments in so NBA receives money monthly from a specified source. Motion made by Fantozzi/Day. Motion carried.

Other news – paramedic pay scale has increased from 15.50 to 16.00 and EMT's from 11.50 to 12.50.

Planning Commission

Discussion held on Gushow digging sand pit on Anderson Road and progress of bringing sand pit into compliance with permit. Planning Commission has already determined not to renew this permit (expires 8-16-19) until progress has been made. Board is in agreement with this action.

Fire Dept

11 runs for the past month

6 medical

1 fire

first aid

well being check

Wires down (less than 1 hour)

1 Personal injury (car accident)

Carbon monoxide alarm

Cancelled

1 Brush fire

2 Mutual aids cancelled in route

June runs will be supplied by secretary Becky Hoffman soon.

Chief Brad Hoffman is on administrative leave at Fire Dept due to shoulder/back injury

Fire Dept has received a grant from Bay Arenac Behavioral Health to supply Narcan doses. Fire Dept just has to pick them up. They have used 8 doses so far this year.

Dubay advised Fire Dept marks its 40th anniversary this year and would like the Fire Dept to have a township Open House to mark the occasion (this would be in lieu of having a fire appreciation dinner as done in the past).

Brush truck is being taken into Larry's Auto Electric in Bay City for work on the lights which are currently not working.

Crump Days fireworks and parade all went well.

2 applications were received from Jason Bruzewski and Christine Haas. Fire Dept sought approval for both applicants. Motion made by Day/Snyder. Motion carried.

Asst Chief Neumeyer provided information on new handheld lights that can be used in a fire and in outside applications as well. They are requesting approval to order 5 lights at \$205 each from the Fire Store. Motion made by Snyder/Rivard. Motion carried.

Road Commission

Dubay will check with Todd at Road Commission on when gravel will be placed on Kitchen and Flajole Roads as approved last month.

Mike/Mt Forest will be asking to split gravel on Townline 16 from Garfield to 9 Mile Road. Approval most likely to be sought next month.

Correspondence none

Grant Writer for Roads/Bridges – update nothing

Public Comment none

OLD Business none

NEW Business none

Public Comment none

Misc Board

Flag dedication ceremony at the cemetery will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. All are invited.

Per Mike Duranczyk, the county will be sending letters to all townships asking all townships to sign onto a county-wide resolution for a county-wide brownfield ordinance.

Fantozzi advised price for propane this year at 1.16 from Hamilton's (current supplier). Forward's (they bought Hirschman's propane division) was at 1.149. Fantozzi recommended staying with Hamilton's. Motion made by Dubay/Day. Motion carried.

Discussion held on Crump Days and the out of control 'burning rubber' that is occurring. Dubay has had multiple complaints including Bader's which has several new tractors with stone chips courtesy of this action.

Special Use Permit – Ground Breakers (Wackerle land on Garfield). 2 resolutions presented for approval.

Resolution 2019-8 RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FEE AND ESCROW DEPOSIT FOR MINING OPERATION IN GARFIELD TOWNSHIP. Discussion held and determination made to set the escrow account at an initial limit of \$2,000 with replenishment of the deposit back to the original \$2,000 when the balance falls below \$800.00 Motion made by Fantozzi/Rivard. Roll call vote: Snyder-yes; Rivard-yes; Day-yes; Fantozzi-yes and Dubay-yes. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-9 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR MINING OPERATION IN GARFIELD TOWNSHIP. Discussion held and determination to set the performance guarantee at \$25,000 adding a statement that this is to be increased if the engineer recommends a higher amount). Motion made by Snyder/Fantozzi. Roll call vote: Rivard-yes; Day-yes; Fantozzi-yes; Snyder-yes; and Dubay-yes. Motion carried.

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

Connie Fantozzi, Clerk

Date