Town of Garfield, Jackson County, Wisconsin : Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2008 Town Board - Regular Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Garfield Town Board Wednesday, December 10, 2008 - 6:00 p.m. Garfield Town Hall

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Garfield was called to order by Chairman Steve Dickinsen, at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at the Garfield Town Hall. Full board present.

Ardy Robertson read the minutes of the November 13, 2008 budget meeting, followed by the minutes of the regular meeting of the same date. Motion by Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Bob Rindahl, to approve minutes as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report of income and expenses for November, 2008 was given by Lori Prudlick. Motion by Bob Rindahl, seconded by Lamoine Hanson, to accept report as presented. Motion carried.

Bills were presented for payment. Motion by Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Bob Rindahl, to approve payment of same. Motion carried.

TAX INSERTS: Discussion of tax bill inserts which are to include a notice on the new building permit/UDC building inspection ordinance including phone numbers, as well as a notice on recycling center hours and regulations. Clerk to set up these notices, along with copies of the real estate tax list for the treasurer to include in tax statements.

TRACTOR/LOADER: Randy Miller was present to discuss tractor/mower/loader options. He discussed the pros and cons of different models as to how they might meet the township's needs, as well as prices in general. At Miller's suggestion, board decided to travel to Town of Adams and have a look at the model this township has. This was set for Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

AMBULANCE CONTRACT: Midelfort/Luther Ambulance Service Contract (formerly known as Osseo Ambulance Service) was received, and the cost will remain at \$3.85 per capita for 2009. Garfield's population is now 660, so the amount owed will be \$2,541. Motion to approve the Midelfort/Luther Ambulance Service contract made by Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Bob Rindahl. Motion carried.

UDC ORDINANCE: Second reading of Ordinance 2008-01 to rescind original UDC Building Inspection Ordinance originally adopted in 2004. Effect of this ordinance rescission will place the responsibility for inspection and enforcement of the One and Two Family Dwelling Code back on the State of Wisconsin. First reading was at the November meeting.

BUILDING INFORMATION PERMIT ORDINANCE: Second reading of Ordinance 2008-03 which sets form needed for building permits, as well as value whereby a building permit is needed, as well as cost of such permit. First reading was at November meeting.

TREASURER'S BOND ORDINANCE: Second reading of Ordinance 2008-02 eliminating the municipal treasurer bond. First reading was at November meeting. Clerk brought in costs of short term tax collection treasurer bonds, as well as general bonding of treasurer. Motion not to purchase bonds due to cost made by Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Bob Rindahl. Motion carried. BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT: Discussion of talking with Carl Peterson about the possibility of purchasing an acre or two of land from him for future building purposes. Clerk filed insurance claim for damage done to overhead shop door when Lavern Larson clipped the track with the blade of the snowplow. Town has no deductible for these types of claims, so we are to submit a bill and the insurance company will reimburse us for the repairs.

ROADS AND BRIDGES: Discussion on bill from Jackson County Highway Dept. for routering. Clerk instructed to hold check until routering is finished. Marv Hong was present and requested that the township accept 66 feet of his land as a town road, to benefit his neighbor. Steve Dickinsen offered to look into this, but requested that Mr. Hong bring in the legal description of the property he is referring to. Matter tabled until legal description is brought in.

WEBSITE: After board discussed costs associated with developing a website, Lamoine Hanson made a motion to approve three year contract with Dustin Overbeck of Town Web Design at a cost of \$25/month for hosting, plus \$10/year for domain name for an annual cost of \$310. Motion seconded by Bob Rindahl. Motion carried. Clerk to return contract and get website up.

WTA MEETING: The district meetings of the Wisconsin Towns Association will be held in February and March. Board members are planning to attend the meeting in Eau Claire on Friday, March 6, 2009 beginning at 8 a.m. Clerk to send in registration fee for all board members with the exception of Chairman Dickinsen who does not have to pay for this meeting.

ROADS: Salt-sand has been delivered, at a cost of \$15.40 per ton from Jackson County. They will bill us for same.

OPERATOR LICENSE: Application received from Tatum Anderson for an Operator's License to work at Whispering Pines. Following background check by clerk, motion by Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Bob Rindahl, to approve license, contingent on proof of server education course and payment of \$10 fee. Motion carried. (Education certificate received and fee paid. License granted.)

JANUARY MEETING AND CAUCUS: Caucus for nominations for town board will be held Wednesday, January 7, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the town hall, with regular meeting to follow at 6 p.m. Tentative date set for February, 2009 meeting set for Wednesday, February 4, 2009, at 6 p.m. in the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Bob Rindahl, seconded by Lamoine Hanson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. /s/ Ardy Robertson, Clerk