

Town of Garfield, Jackson County, Wisconsin : Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2009 Regular Meeting

Regular Meeting of the Garfield Town Board
Wednesday, October 14, 2009 - 6:30 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 6:40 p.m., on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 at the Garfield Town Hall. Full board present. Meeting notice verified.

Ardy Robertson read the minutes of the September 9, 2009 regular meeting of the town board. Motion by Bob Rindahl, seconded by Lamoine Hanson, to approve minutes as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report of income and expenses for September, 2009 was given by Lori Prudlick. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl, to accept report. Motion carried. Reconciliation report presented - motion to adopt by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl. Motion carried.

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

NEXT MEETING: November's meeting will be the annual projected budget meeting, followed by the regular meeting. Special meeting of township electors to decide on purchase of land for possible hall and/or shop building will be held Wednesday, November 11th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with proposed budget meeting following that, and regular meeting immediately after budget meeting. December's meeting date was set for Wednesday, December 9th, at 6:30 p.m. Date of township Christmas dinner was tabled until November meeting.

EQUIPMENT & BUILDINGS: 1986 Ford truck has been in for repairs, and is now ready for the winter plowing season.

RECYCLING: Discussion on how to reduce amount of garbage being put in dumpster, by possibly reminding residents of everything that can be recycled, and encouraging more recycling and less garbage. Ardy and Ruth will work on some sort of hand out or sign to the effect of save money and prevent rate hikes by recycling more.

BRIDGES & ROADS: Crack filling is done for now. We have more trees to be trimmed. Lamoine Hanson will contact Gary Severson to see if he has time to do more trimming.

FIRE BOARD: Discussion on billing issues. It was felt that we need a better system for determining who to bill for certain fires, such as the ones that occur on the Interstate system. Lamoine Hanson will discuss at the next fire board meeting.

SNOWFLOW CONTRACT: Lamoine Hanson made a motion to keep the snowplowing fees the same as previous years, \$60 for driveways less than 300 feet in length; and \$110 for those driveways longer than 300 feet; and \$25 for salt/sand application without snowplow contract. Motion seconded by Rindahl, and carried. Clerk will send out contracts to those who had them last year, and place blank contract on town website. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl, to put Eric Prudlick on the list of snow plow drivers, as first-call person after Don Brasda. Motion carried.

WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS: Ardy Robertson and Lori Prudlick, in addition to Steve Dickinsen, attended WTA workshop on budgets and finance on Sept. 22 in Eau Claire. Lamoine Hanson attended sign workshop in

Tomah on Sept. 22. Dickinsen, Hanson, Prudlick and Robertson attended WTA seminar Oct 13th in Stevens Point. Dickinsen, Robertson, and Hanson, along with town residents Jackie Rindahl, Marv Hong, Alice Glavin, and Dave Gran attended WTA workshop on Working Lands Initiative in Eau Claire on Oct. 28th.

NEW BUILDING: Raivo Balciunas has contacted us that he has found there are no 50/50 grants for government buildings. There are some for community centers, but not government buildings, from CDBG, however the Rural Development Grant will have stimulus money in it and we are eligible for this. Carl Peterson has indicated willingness to sell a piece of land to the town. Town will hold special meeting of residents before taking any action.

BUILDING INSPECTION: The State of Wisconsin has notified us that as of December 1st, General Engineering will no longer do our Uniform Dwelling Code (UDC) inspections, because the State is taking this over. We will need to make this change on our building permit application form.

ZONING ADMINISTRATION POSITION: Jackson County is requesting the Town of Garfield's position on sub-division platting. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl, that the town take no position. Motion carried. Clerk to return form.

BUILDING PERMIT: Motion to approve building permit application of Gerald and Susan Fox, County T, Fairchild made by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn made by Rindahl, seconded by Hanson. Motion carried – meeting adjourned.

/s/ Ardy Robertson, Clerk