

December 11, 2013 **Budget Hearing, Transportation Budget, Town Levy and Regular Meeting**

Budget Hearing, Transportation Budget Adoption, Town Levy Adoption, and Regular Meeting of the Garfield Town Board
Wednesday, December 11, 2013 – 6:00 p.m.
Garfield Town Hall

Chairman Steve Dickinsen called the meeting to order on Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. Full board present. Meeting notice verified. Also in attendance were Dave Westrate and associates regarding a frac sand issue, Tom McCue, Gerald Fox, Attorney John Behling, Richard McCue, Dr. Neal Benham, and Don Brasda.

Dickinsen opened discussion on the levy for 2013, payable in 2014. The levy amount is limited to \$111,273, up from \$109,132 last year. Motion to levy \$111,273 made by Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Glenn Fremstad. Motion carried. Budget sheets passed out to board by clerk. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to adopt budget as presented. Motion carried. Levy is adopted at \$111,273.

Resolution to Adopt Town Levy read –

Town of Garfield, Jackson County
Resolution for Electors to Adopt the Town Tax Levy at a
Special Town Meeting of the Electors

WHEREAS, s. 60.10 (1) (a) of Wis. Statutes authorizes the town electors of a town to adopt the town tax levy at a town meeting of the electors;

WHEREAS, a special town meeting of the electors of the Town of Garfield has been called for this 11th day of December, 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, the special town meeting of the Town of Garfield, Jackson County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote of the eligible electors voting on this 11th day of December, 2013 duly assembled and voting resolves and orders as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, the town electors of the Town of Garfield, Jackson County, Wisconsin hereby adopt the town tax levy for 2013 to be collected in 2014 at \$111,273.

The Town Clerk shall properly post this Resolution in 3 places or publish this

Resolution once in a qualified newspaper as required by law under s. 60.80 of Wis. Statutes within 30 days of adoption.

Adopted this 11th day of December, 2013, at a Special Town Meeting.

Signature of
Town Chairman - /s/ Steven V. Dickinsen
Date: December 11, 2013

Signature of
Town Clerk - /s/ Ardy Robertson
Date: December 11, 2013

Motion to adopt the highway portion of the budget made by Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Glenn Fremstad, and passed.

Ardy Robertson read the minutes of the November 13, 2013 regular meeting. Motion made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad and carried to accept minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report of income and expenses for November was read by treasurer Clark Walker. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson. Motion carried.

Reconciliation Report: Motion to approve reconciliation report made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad. Motion carried.

Year to date financial report presented by Clerk. Motion to approve summary report made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried.

Bills were presented for payment. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to approve payment of bills. Motion carried.

Non-metallic mining ordinance: Dickinsen began the discussion by noting that our new township attorney – John Wagman has reviewed the existing ordinance and has found it to be in good order. Dickinsen also told the group the Garfield has a non-metallic mining moratorium in place for the next six months. Attorney John Behling spoke about the frac sand operation which is seeking to start in our township. Larchmont Holdings LLC is the company proposing a mining operation locally. Richard McCue spoke of his business experience locally. Dave Westrate spoke next giving his background. Neal Benham then introduced himself and his business experience. Larchmont is in partnership with Haas and Sons Excavating. Phil Haas was also present at

the meeting and gave some background on himself and the Haas Company. The company is proposing an excavation site and a wash plant along County T. They will not be having a drying operation. The property is 60 acres and is located one 40-acre parcel from Highway 10. The group is submitting a Mining Agreement to the board at this time.

Correspondence: Aegis Insurance did a premium audit and reduced our premium. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to have clerk return the paperwork to receive the reimbursement. Motion carried.

2014 Election employees appointment: Dickinsen made a motion to appoint Ardy Robertson, Alice Glavin, Jackie Rindahl, Norma Walker-Card, and Linda Fremstad as election workers. Motion seconded by Fremstad, and carried. Election workers receive \$8.50 per hour with the exception of the clerk who does not get hourly pay. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to raise the rate to \$9.00 per hour beginning January 1, 2014. Motion carried.

Recycling attendant: Motion to raise recycling wage rate from \$8.50 to \$9.00 per hour made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried.

Highway employees: Motion by Dickinsen to increase patrolman Don Brasda's wages to \$14 per hour, \$13 for assistant Pat Mulhern, and any additional part time workers to \$12 per hour. Town board members who work hourly will receive \$10 per hour not to exceed \$5,000 per year. Work policy for employees was reviewed. Motion to adopt the revised work policy made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to pay Sharon Jermstad \$200 to reimburse for her mowing of the town hall lawn. Motion carried.

Loan for financing construction of new town shop and meeting room:
Resolution to borrow funds and levy Tax read –

Town of Garfield, Jackson County, WI
Resolution to approve and authorize loan application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, State of Wisconsin, for a loan of \$300,000.00 from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin to the Town of Garfield in the County of Jackson, Wisconsin, for the purpose of financing construction of town shop and meeting room

WHEREAS, By the provisions of Sec. 24.66 of the Wisconsin Statutes, all municipalities may borrow money for such purposes in the manner prescribed, and,

WHEREAS, By the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands of Wisconsin is authorized to make loans from the State Trust Funds to municipalities for such purposes. (Municipality as defined by Sec. 24.60(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes means a town, village, city, county, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, town sanitary district created under Sec. 60.71 or 60.72, metropolitan sewerage district created under Sec. 200.05 or 200.23, joint sewerage system created under Sec. 281.43(4), school district or technical college district.)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Garfield, in the County of Jackson, Wisconsin, borrow from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin the sum of Three Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$300,000.00) for the purpose of financing construction of town shop and meeting room and for no other purpose.

The loan is to be payable within 20 years from the 15th day of March preceding the date the loan is made. The loan will be repaid in annual installments with interest at the rate of 4.50 percent per annum from the date of making the loan to the 15th day of March next and thereafter annually as provided by law.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that there shall be raised and there is levied upon all taxable property, within the Town of Garfield, in the County of Jackson, Wisconsin, a direct annual tax for the purpose of paying interest and principal on the loan as they become due.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that no money obtained by the Town of Garfield by such loan from the state be applied or paid out for any purpose except financing construction of town shop and meeting room without the consent of the Board of commissioners of Public Lands.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in case the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands of Wisconsin agrees to make the loan, that the chairman and clerk of the Town of Garfield, in the County of Jackson, Wisconsin, are authorized and empowered, in the name of the Town to execute and deliver to the Commission, certificates of indebtedness, in such form as required by the Commission, for any sum of money that may be loaned to the Town pursuant to this resolution. The chairman and clerk of the Town will perform all necessary actions to fully carry out the provisions of Chapter 24 Wisconsin Statutes, and these resolutions.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that this preamble and these resolutions and the aye and no vote by which they were adopted, be recorded, and that the clerk of this Town forward this certified record, along with the application for the loan, to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands of Wisconsin.

Supervisor Lamoine Hanson moved adoption of the foregoing preamble and resolutions.

The question being upon the adoption of the foregoing preamble and resolutions, a vote was taken by ayes and noes, which resulted as follows:

1. Chairman Steven Dickinsen voted Aye.
2. First Supervisor Lamoine Hanson voted Aye.
3. Second Supervisor Glenn Fremstad voted Aye.

A majority of the Town Board of the Town of Garfield, in the County of Jackson, State of Wisconsin, having voted in favor of the preamble and resolutions, they were declared adopted this 11th day of December, 2013.

Signature of
Town Chairman - /s/ Steven V. Dickinsen
Date: December 11, 2013

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Roads: Dickinsen reported we will not be making an application for TRID road funding at this time.

Salt sand containment structure: Dickinsen brought in photos of hoop buildings and discussion held on types and costs of structures.

Operator license application received from Pamela Sylla. Motion to approve contingent on fee being paid made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried.

Next meeting will be held Wednesday, January 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried. Meeting adjourned.

Ardy Robertson, Clerk

