



January 8, 2014 **Regular Town Board and Plan Commission Meeting**

Town of Garfield Plan Commission Meeting and
Regular Meeting of the Garfield Town Board
Wednesday, January 8, 2014 – 6:00 p.m.
Garfield Town Hall

Chairman Steve Dickinsen called the meeting to order on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. Full board present. Meeting notice verified. Also in attendance were several members of the township, and the Garfield Plan Commission members - Alice Glavin, Chairman; Doug Richter, Jim Christenson, and Jackie Rindahl. Absent were Karl Schearer and Bob Poore. Town Chairman Dickinsen announced the appointment of Susan Fox to the Plan Commission. Fox will fill the vacancy left by the passing of member Marv Hong. Dickinsen also announced the board has appointed Linda Fremstad to fill the vacancy of Dave Gran who has moved from the township. Also present was the town attorney John Wagman, who spoke briefly, and also Attorney John Behling who represents Larchmont Holdings LLC, the frac sand company that intends to apply for an operations permit.

Dickinsen spoke about the township's Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance that the town has in place, as well as the newly passed Moratorium on Non-Metallic Mining which is now in place for six months. This was designed to give the town time to have our attorney review the aforementioned Ordinance. Several questions arose regarding the town's ordinance, and also some "what if" scenarios regarding hours of operation, noise standards, lights, traffic, road upkeep, etc. which Attorney Wagman, Attorney Behling, and Chairman Dickinsen addressed.

Next meeting of the Plan Commission will be held Thursday, January 30, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the town hall.

Motion to adjourn made by Glenn Fremstad, seconded by Jackie Rindahl, and carried. Meeting adjourned.

REGULAR MEETING

Ardy Robertson passed out copies of the minutes of the December 11, 2013 regular meeting and also the December 5 special meeting. Motion made by

Lamoine Hanson, seconded by Glenn Fremstad and carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes due to time constraints, and accept the printed copy in lieu of the reading, and also to accept minutes as presented. Motion carried.

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

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

Correspondence: We received a letter from the Commissioners of Public Lands notifying us that we have received preliminary approval for our state trust fund loan. There are some more requirements to complete, but they are minor.

Board of Review alternate vacancy – Linda Fremstad was appointed by the board to fill the vacancy as an alternate on the Board of Review, following Dave Gran's move from the township.

New Shop Building: Successful bidder was Kevin Anderson, a local general contractor whose company is Handier Andy. His bid was for \$233,584.39. Motion by Fremstad and seconded by Hanson to accept the low bid. Motion carried. Mr. Anderson was present at the meeting and discussion was held on a few aspects of the new building.

Hourly Employee Work Schedule: Other than snow plowing, there is no work at present.

Next meeting will be held Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried. Meeting adjourned.

Ardy Robertson, Clerk

