



July 12, 2016 **Regular Meeting - Town of Garfield**

Town of Garfield Regular Meeting
Tuesday, July 12, 2016 – 6:30 pm
Garfield Town Hall

Chairman Dickinsen called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Garfield to order on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the town hall on Hillcrest Road. Present were Chairman Steve Dickinsen, First Supervisor Lamoine Hanson, Second Supervisor Glenn Fremstad, Treasurer Clark Walker, and Clerk Ardy Robertson. Meeting notice verified. Also in attendance were road patrolman Don Brasda, Alice Glavin, Jackie Rindahl, Joel Kline, and one other resident from West Hillcrest Road.

Ardy Robertson read the minutes of the June 14, 2016 regular board meeting. Motion made by Hanson seconded by Fremstad, to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report of income and expenses for June 2016 was presented by Treasurer Clark Walker. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson. Motion carried.

Reconciliation Report presented by Clerk and Treasurer. Motion to approve reconciliation report made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad. Motion carried.

Year to date financial report presented by clerk for payment. Fremstad made a motion, seconded by Hanson, to approve. Motion carried.

Clerk presented monthly bills for payment. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad and carried to pay the bills.

Letter from Doug and Melissa Rowe asking us not to spray for weeds near their farm on Kay Road. Felty Borntrager also has organic crops in the area. Motion by Hanson not to spray near their land, seconded by Fremstad, and carried.

Letter from insurance company asking us to send a bill for the claim on the recycling shed as soon as possible. Dickinsen will contact them.

Letter from Ho Chunk Nation saying paperwork for coop funding for road work in Garfield has been received but are not signed yet. Funds have been approved. Time of construction will depend on when we receive their funds.

Quality Propane sent us a pre-buy contract price of 99 cents per gallon. We still have a credit of \$716 with them. Walker checked the 1,000 gallon LP tank, and it is 85% full. Motion by Dickinsen, seconded by Hanson, not to pre-buy any LP at this time. Motion carried.

Northland Diesel suggested that we change the transmission in the orange dumptruck from standard to automatic. The automatic transmission in the yellow truck will fit in there. He gave us a price of \$5,500 to do all the work which includes sandblasting the frame and some other work. Motion to accept this bid provided he can complete the work in time for when we need it next fall, made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried.

Roads: Maintenance bill from PEAK Contracting came in for fixing Bluff View Road where the cooperative's sprayer went off the road and caused damage. Motion to submit the bill of \$9,856 plus \$600 for replacement chip seal, to their insurance made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried.

Work Hours – motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to leave total work hours for the next month at 72, split between Brasda and Mulhern. Motion carried.

Building information application received from Peter J. Kurth, along with payment of the \$25 fee, for building a garage on Old Highway 10. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to approve. Motion carried.

Dickinsen explained we are still under the levy limit freeze, so we are unable to raise taxes, fees, etc. This is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain roads and keep our town running. There is a resolution to "Just Fix It". Motion by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, to pass this resolution to let our elected people know something has to be addressed here.

Next Meeting – will be moved to Wednesday, August 10, at 6:30 p.m. due to the primary election which will be held on Tuesday, August 9th. Motion to adjourn made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried. Meeting adjourned.

Ardy Robertson, Clerk