

March 10, 2015 Regular Meeting - Town of Garfield

Town of Garfield Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, March 10, 2015 – 6:30 p.m. Garfield Town Hall

Two candidates for the position of Jackson County Circuit Court Judge were present – Dan Diehn and Anna Becker. (Becker is currently serving as Judge.) Both gave short presentations on their experience and qualifications for the office of judge.

Chairman Dickinsen called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Garfield to order on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the town hall on Hillcrest Road. Full board present, including Chairman Steve Dickinsen, First Supervisor Lamoine Hanson and Second Supervisor Glenn Fremstad, Treasurer Clark Walker, and Clerk Ardy Robertson. Meeting notice verified. Also in attendance were several town residents, as well as several Plan Commission members.

Ardy Robertson read the minutes of the February 9, 2015 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 February 2015 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.

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

Chuck Holmes was present at the meeting representing Quick Supply, an explosives supply company which will be adding a site within the town. The explosive they use mostly is a fertilizer called ammonium nitrate. Residents had a chance to question Holmes on topics such as the safety and security

planned for the premises.

Roads – Jackson County road bans will be going up Friday, March 13th. Motion to coincide the town's road bans at the same time made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried.

Town shop – Don and Lamoine have been putting up work benches in the shop from some used parts from Northland Diesel.

Hall floor – Dave Stensen and Kevin Anderson are planning to work on it this week.

There is a proposal to have county-wide assessment rather than local control. Motion made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to adopt Resolution 03-10-15 opposing the Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue's proposal. Motion carried. Resolution 03-10-15 will take effect as of 3-10-15.

Printer – Clerk asked for an additional printer for the hall for making copies during elections. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to purchase an additional one. Motion carried. Clerk will purchase.

Board will attend WTA district meeting Saturday, March 28, in Tomah. Clerk to register Walker, Hanson, and Robertson.

Recycling center is currently dealing with extremely full garbage dumpsters. We will check into getting two dumpsters at the same time.

Fire board – Cedar Corp. was selected to design the new fire hall, however, the City of Osseo must approve the hall via referendum, and towns must also vote at a special meeting of the electors.

Plan Commission recommendations – the commission met Saturday, March 7th and reviewed the Jackson County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan was approved by the commission. Hanson made a motion to approve the plan, seconded by Fremstad, and carried. Included in the Hazard Mitigation Plan is a Resolution to accept the plan. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, to adopt Resolution 03-10-15-2 to approve the county's hazard mitigation plan. Motion carried, resolution adopted.

The Farmland Preservation map was recommended to be approved by the commission. Fremstad made a motion to approve, seconded by Hanson, and carried. The commission reviewed the Frac Sand Health Impact Survey. They ranked the concerns listed in the survey, and also looked at the top five

issues, all were air and water quality related. Motion to approve the survey and have clerk mail the survey back to the Institute for Wisconsin's Health, Inc. in Madison. The plan commission also took up the clarifications asked for by Emery Palmer of High Cliff Consulting. Discussion on each point of the requested clarifications. Gerald Fox has offered his services to draft an Agreement. Motion made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, to adopt the responses to the questions by High Cliff. Motion carried.

Next Meeting – will be the town's annual meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., followed by the regular board meeting. Motion to adjourn made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad, and carried. Meeting adjourned.

Ardy Robertson, Clerk