October 12, 2011 Regular Meeting

Regular Meeting of Garfield Town Board Wednesday, October 12, 2011 – 5:30 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 5:35 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2011. Full board present. Meeting notice verified.

Ardy Robertson read the minutes of the September 22, 2011 regular meeting. Motion by Bob Rindahl, seconded by Lamoine Hanson, to approve minutes as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report of income and expenses for September, 2011 was read by Lori Prudlick. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl. Motion carried.

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

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

Roads: Contract from Scott Contruction for work on Sand Lane will be in the amount of \$1,988. Trip program estimate in the amount of \$300,000 eligible cost, is ready to be submitted for Old 17 Road. Motion to approve the application and submit to Jackson County Highway Commissioner made by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl, and carried. Clerk to mail in to Jackson County. The Trip-D application for Kay Road is also ready, with an estimate cost of up to \$550,000. Motion to submit the grant application to the County Trip Committee made by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl. Motion carried. Clerk to send to Jackson County.

Road signs: Discussion on new road signs, however we will wait until Steve Walker begins his road inventory. We also will need to purchase some reflective vests for our patrolman. Don and Lamoine will check out where to purchase some reflective clothing and signs to put up while working on roads.

Budget: Discussion on next year's tax levy. It was the feeling of the board that they do not want to take advantage of the methods available to raise the levy, such as adding all or a portion of our debt. Their feeling was to

keep the levy at the same amount of last year, plus \$982 for the new construction adjustment allowed by the state. Hanson made a motion to levy \$109,132. Rindahl seconded and the motion carried. We will have our annual Budget Hearing just prior to the November regular board meeting.

Snow plow contracts: Clerk will send the contracts out soon.

Building permit application: An application was received from Christopher Conger to build a garage. Motion to approve made by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl, and carried.

Next meeting – will be held on Thursday, November 10th, with the budget hearing at 5:30 p.m. and the regular meeting to follow.

Motion to adjourn made by Hanson, seconded by Rindahl. Motion carried.

Ardy Robertson, Clerk