Town of Garfield Public Hearing Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – 6:30 p.m. - Garfield Town Hall

Chairman Steve Dickinsen called the Public Hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Garfield to order on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at 6:45 p.m. in the town hall on Hillcrest Road. Present were Chairman Dickinsen, First Supervisor Lamoine Hanson, Second Supervisor Glenn Fremstad, Treasurer Clark Walker, and Clerk Ardy Robertson. Hearing notice verified. Motion to approve agenda made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried. Also in attendance were Alice Glavin and Dianne Richardson.

The Proposed 2020 Town Budget was presented by Dickinsen. Discussion of budgets in general for towns as opposed to other municipalities as well as our budget items.

Motion to adjourn public hearing made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried.

Ardy Robertson, Clerk

Town of Garfield Special Meeting of the Electorate Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – immediately following Budget Hearing Garfield Town Hall

Chairman Steve Dickinsen called the Special Meeting of the Electorate of the Town of Garfield to order on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at 6:50 p.m. in the town hall on Hillcrest Road. Present were Chairman Dickinsen, First Supervisor Lamoine Hanson, Second Supervisor Glenn Fremstad, Treasurer Clark Walker, and Clerk Ardy Robertson. Public notice verified. Motion to approve agenda made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried. Also in attendance were Alice Glavin and Dianne Richardson.

Dickinsen called for nominations for chair of the special meeting. Robertson nominated Steve Dickinsen for chair. Nomination seconded by Richardson. No further nominations were made, and a unanimous ballot for Dickinsen was cast. 7 aye, 0 nay. Dickinsen to chair the special meeting.

Discussion of Levy Resolution 2019-11 which calls for the town levy to be \$168,800. This amount includes \$25,723 for Garfield's portion of the Osseo Rural Fire Dept-EMS Fire Station loan which will be paid up in 2042, as well as \$23,641 for the payment for the Garfield Town Shop loan which will be paid up in 2033. Dickinsen called for a motion on 2019 Town of Garfield Levy Tax to be collected in 2020. Richardson made a motion to accept the levy at \$168,800. Hanson seconded and the motion carried unanimously, 7 aye, 0 nay.

Motion to adjourn special meeting made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried. Meeting adjourned.

Ardy Robertson, Clerk

Town of Garfield Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – immediately following Special Meeting of the Electorate - Garfield Town Hall

Chairman Steve Dickinsen called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Garfield to order on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at 7:05 p.m. in the town hall on Hillcrest Road. Present were Chairman Dickinsen, First Supervisor Lamoine Hanson, Second Supervisor Glenn Fremstad, Treasurer Clark Walker, and Clerk Ardy Robertson. Meeting notice verified. Motion to approve agenda made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried. Also in attendance were Alice Glavin and Dianne Richardson. Clerk read the minutes of the regular meeting of October 8, 2019. Motion made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried to approve minutes as amended.

Treasurer's report of income and expenses for October, 2019 was presented by Walker. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Hanson, seconded by Fremstad. Motion carried.

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

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

We received a note from Top It or Drop It Tree Service who sent us an estimate of \$10,500 to trim trees on some town roads. Discussion followed on having local residents who want to cut firewood do the work.

2020 Budget - Fremstad made a motion to approve the Proposed 2020 Town Budget. Motion seconded by Hanson, and carried.

Discussion on Snowplowing Guidelines for the upcoming winter season, along with the progress on the driveway inspections. Those individuals having their driveways inspected and to receive contracts have been priced according to their driveway. Clerk to send contracts as soon as possible with notations and pricing.

BCPL loan funds have been received. Searcy Road reimbursements are ready to be turned in.

Dickinsen has completed for the MLS 90-10 grant for Sperber Road, which serves seven sawmills. Motion to approve the application made by Fremstad, and seconded by Hanson. Motion carried. Clerk to mail application.

We received a computer grant for \$1,200 and have received the money. KerberRose will fulfill the computer, and IT support. Clerk to also receive security training to be paid by this grant.

Operator's License applications received by Paul Beilke, Lori Prudlick, Vern Vandeberg, Lynn Mayer, and Shannon Goss for T&E Levis Lodge; Krista Kierstyn, Shelby Emerson, and Kristine Olson for Whispering Pines; Karen Stensen, Vicky Zergoski, Natalie Wood, Tammy Koecheler and Amy Allard for Trails' End. Clerk granted eight of these people provisional 60-day licenses on October 12th because they needed them prior to the board meeting. Motion by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, to approve all operator licenses. Motion carried.

WISLR Road Report is done and Delmore will be sending in. A washout on Rindahl Valley Road will need attention in the spring. We put gravel in it for now.

Wayne Rindahl will be cutting firewood along Rindahl Valley Road, with a town permit.

Dickinsen presented a list of "to-do's" in preparation for winter, regarding trucks and equipment.

Motion to adjourn made by Fremstad, seconded by Hanson, and carried. Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be held Tuesday, December 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the town hall.