

**Garfield Township
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 25th 2019**

The meeting opened at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Byl leading the Pledge of Allegiance, Board members present were Byl, Roland, Yarhouse, Farwell and Irwin. Also in attendance was Fire Chief Tubbs and Clare County Commissioner, Dale Majewski.

1. **Agenda:** The meeting agenda for March 25th, 2019 was approved by a motion from Irwin, supported by Farwell. All Ayes. Motion carried.
2. **Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2019 board meeting. A motion to approve the minutes from Yarhouse, supported by Farwell. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. **Clerks report.** Funds Equity Report. Motion to approve by Irwin, Supported by Roland. All ayes. Motion carried.
4. **Treasurers Report:** Motion to approve the report was made by Roland, supported by Irwin. All Ayes. Motion carried.
5. **Fire Report:** Fire Chief Kevin Tubbs reported 77 YTD. There were 21 this month; Med 16; PI 3; Downed Line 1; Chimney Fire 1. a) Matt Disbrow has stepped down and left. b) Medical First Responder class: ~~was passed~~ attending are Adam Gott, Kyle Campbell and Tamika Campbell. c) The Michigan's Fireman's Memorial Service held in Roscommon on September 19th thru the 21st For the first time, our township will be placing names on the wall for the deceased members. d) A washing machine was purchased from Douglas Safety for approx. \$4,130. including freight.
Kevin introduced Douglas Sharp from Avon, who gave background on the company and discussed the cost of ownership, improved safety features of their Air Packs and components. Air Packs must be services annually and can be done by and vendor.
6. **Brad Beach Assessor.** The Board of Review received 24 petitions of which 11 were for veterans. There were 53 building permits issued. The Township property value is approx. \$22,729,000. All county reports are issued and balanced.
7. **Dale Majewski, Clare County Commissioner:** Left the Commissioners minutes. There is an upgraded phone system installed for the county. Terry Action has been appointed to the Airport Board.
8. **Blight Control Officer report:** Letters were sent to folks thanking them for cleaning up their properties. Judge Ferrell ordered that a ticket must be issued for individual blight items. Several properties still have unresolved blight problems. Administrative Search Warrants are obtainable.

- 9. Supervisors Notes:** a) Spectrum representative called to discuss a program for disadvantaged folks for coverage at \$15.00 per month. b) Attended a supervisor meeting. Talk centered on the Road Commission. Assessing Reform Tax Commission, now AMAR has more reporting to the state. c) Possibly getting BS&A as a county wide System. Then Townships would have dropdown menus to use.
- 10. Public Comments:** Joe Stragea. He accused the Supervisor of spending too much money going after blighted property owners and perjury in a Court Hearing, and not caring for the safety of fire fighters.
Tom Pirstill Vaping is very dangerous to our youth. There is a 10/16 presentation on Vaping everyone should see. I can arrange a presentation.
Bill Scheall There is a recurring issue. I will be resigning as of April 24th, 2019.
- 11. New Business:** Job postings will be on web page and at posting locations in the township.
- 12. Approval of Bills:** A motion to approve all bills was made by Irwin, seconded by Roland.
All Ayes. Motion carried.
- 13. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Irwin, Supported by Roland. Motion carried.

David Byl, Supervisor

Joan E. Farwell, Clerk