

Township Board meeting Minutes

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Garfield Township
Regular Board Meeting
April 25, 2011
7:30 p.m.

The meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. with Supervisor Scott leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Scott, Roland, McLane, Yarhouse and Rottiers. Also attending the meeting were Fire Chief Tubbs, Assistant Fire Chief Mark Fouchey, County Commissioner Burger and 8 citizens.

The minutes of the March 28, 2011 meeting were approved with a motion by Roland, seconded by Yarhouse. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was accepted with a motion by Rottiers, seconded by McLane. All ayes. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Tubbs reported 25 runs, 12 of which were medical, one structure fire, five downed tree/power lines, five mutual aid, one miscellaneous fire and one personal injury.

County Commissioner Burger gave a report.

No Road Commission Report.

Nichole Wolfgang presented information to the Board requesting that the Board support the naming of the Clare VA Outpatient Clinic after her father, Major Fredrik L. Swanson. Following her presentation, McLane, seconded by Roland, moved to support the resolution to name the Clare VA Outpatient Clinic after her father, Major Fredrik L. Swanson.

Roll call vote all ayes. Resolution adopted.

There was no correspondence.

Supervisor Scott indicated that the Assessor program will be available online to property owners and real estate companies. He provided information regarding the cost of accessing property information. Motion to support accessing the program online when the website is set up by McLane, supported by Roland. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Scott reported that elected officials chose to not increase their salaries. He also suggested that employee rates be increased across the board by 1.7%. Motion by Scott, seconded by McLane, to increase employee rates by 1.7%. All ayes. Motion passed.

Supervisor Scott reported that the truck had been ordered and indicated that an additional \$516 had been added to the cost for hand controls for the snow plow, running boards and the bedliner bringing the cost of the new truck to \$29,489.

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Supervisor Scott read the suggested Mission Statement for the township. Resolution made by Scott, supported by Roland, to adopt the Mission Statement.

Roll call vote all ayes. Resolution adopted

Supervisor Scott indicated that the budget needed to be adjusted by \$30,000 to pay for the truck. Motion by McLane, supported by Yarhouse, to increase the budget by \$30,000. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Scott reported a request that the Board approve the fireworks permit for Tom Case. Motion by Roland, supported by McLane, to approve the fireworks permit for Crooked Lake July 9, 2011 with a rain-out date of July 10, 2011. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Scott indicated that Randy Schaub would like a new tool box for the truck that had been purchased with a cost of \$250. He also had indicated that a new gate at the Transfer Station was needed and one could be built at a cost of \$400. Motion by McLane, supported by

Roland, to approve the purchase of a new tool box for \$250 and new gate for the Transfer Station at a cost of \$400. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McLane, supported by Rottiers, to approve Bills and Wages of \$25,258.47. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by McLane. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

Supervisor Clerk