

**Garfield Township
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
June 24th, 2019**

The meeting opened at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Byl leading the Pledge of Allegiance and the Star Spangled Banner, 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 June 24th, 2019 was corrected to move the Tax Sale from Supervisor remarks to New Business. and approved by a motion from Roland, supported by Yarhouse. All Ayes. Motion carried.
2. **Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes of the May 20th, 2019 Board meeting. A motion to approve the minutes from Irwin, supported by Yarhouse. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. **Clerks report.** Funds Equity Report. Motion to approve by Yarhouse, supported by Roland. All ayes. Motion carried.
4. **Treasurers Report:** Motion to approve the report was made by Farwell, supported by Irwin. All Ayes. Motion carried.
5. **Fire Dept. Report:** Fire Chief Kevin Tubbs reported 141 YTD. There were 25 in May.
Med 18; Misc. Fire 2; Mutual Aid 1; Down Power Lines 3; Down Tree 1.
He reported 3 fire fighters achieved their Medical First Responder Certificates- MFR. Tamika and Kyle Campbell and Adam Gott.
6. **Fire Department Aux report: Becky Gott:** Having a Pancake Breakfast on July 6th from 10am till 1pm and an Open House on August 10th.
7. **Dale Majewski, Clare County Commissioner:** Distributed Commissioner Meeting Minutes copies. He reported the 2018 audit went Ok with only a couple minor problems. Permits issued by the County were Building-238, Electrical-292, Mechanical-151, and Plumbing-156. The Clare Commissioners are looking into the feasibility of taking over the control of the Road Commission. Also the County will finance the Gray Lake Improvement costs.
8. **Friends of Garfield Township Parks:** Barb Lijewski reported the Bike Ride accepted 52 forms from bikers and made approx. \$1,000.00 and another \$580.00 from the Bake Sale at Jay's and will be doing a Hot Dog Sale at Witbeck's on July 2nd and 3rd. Marty Rottiers thanked those who worked on the flower beds at the Depot and how beautiful they look.
9. **Supervisors Notes:** a) presented a map of an area on Hillcrest where a property exists without a property ID and he requested permission to arrange a title search. b) The Board of Review Board will meet on July 16th at 8:00am. C) Reminded the company present about the July 17th Special Meeting. d) Provided an update on some blighted properties.

10. Public Comments: Joe Stragea; July 4th is the 75th Anniversary of remembering D-Day June 6th and we need to remember the sacrifices these soldiers made. Too many lost their lives.
Kyle Campbell, Firefighter: attended MFR training for 11 weeks and lost wages in order to attend the sessions. The Township should be backing the firefighters. Losing wages is creating a hardship for them.
Dave Vasic on Scotty Dr, a private road. The residents are responsible for maintaining the roadway. Four wheelers, who don't even live on the road, are tearing it up. Talked to Jason Wentworth and Joel Johnson about putting up signs. They said to talk to the Sheriff and/or Township about putting up a 25 or 15 MPH sign. (A comment was told that perhaps he could petition the County to accept the road but was told by the Commissioner that the County would not.)

11. New Business: a) Account line items adjustments for Budget year 2018-2019.

101-800-801.000	+ \$ 1,255	101-450-801.000	+ \$ 250
101-801-707.000	+ \$ 13,165	101-445-818.000	+ \$ 5,050
101-276-702.000	+ \$ 1,170		

Motion to accept the account line increases made by Irwin, supported by Yarhouse. Roll Call Vote: Irwin-yes; Yarhouse-yes; Byl-yes; Roland-yes; Farwell-yes. Motion carried.

b) First Right-of-Refusal for 4 properties in the township in foreclosure from the County. Motion to refuse the First Right was made by Yarhouse, seconded by Roland. All ayes. Motion carried.

12. Approval of Bills: A motion to approve the bills was made by Yarhouse, seconded by Farwell. All Ayes. Motion carried.

13. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Irwin, Supported by Roland. Motion carried.

David Byl, Supervisor

Joan E. Farwell, Clerk