

Garfield Township  
Approved Board Meeting Minutes  
May 24, 2021

Called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Byl leading the Pledge of Allegiance, Board members present were Byl, Clayton, Lard, Roland & Yarhouse.

**Agenda:** The meeting agenda was reviewed, no changes made. Motion to accept agenda was made by Clayton, supported by Lard. All ayes, motion carried.

**Clerks Report:** Motion to pass was made by Yarhouse, supported by Roland.

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion to pass was made by Clayton, supported by Lard.

**Fire Report:** Kevin Tubbs reported the following: ;4/26/21 - 5/24/21.

19 Medical / 1 Road Hazard/ 3 Grass Fires / 3 Misc. Fires/ 2 Mutual aid = 28 for the month / 108 YTD

Summer event has been canceled but monthly car washes will continue through September from 10-2pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month.

**County Commissioner Report** - Dale Majewski reported that an I.T. person was hired through Kelly Services and has been going well. Fahey law firm came in and spoke about the drain/dams. The State of Michigan has made the Counties carry the insurance as a blanket for dam failure and flood damage. This cost will be passed onto the residents. Budd Lake in Harrison is the only lake that is exempted. Byl said that Peach Lake should also be exempt. Gypsy Moth spraying should be done by the end of the month in the county, targeted areas.

**Supervisor Notes:** Byl reported that Marty Rottiers is close to finishing the blight files. 2 blighted properties are going on the tax sale on Bluff Lake. Mudd Lake residents are pushing the blight out by buying up places that are a problem. Cemetery has been rough...notices were placed in the paper for clean-up, we had some nasty phone calls, these will not be returned.

**Public Comment:** Len Pilz from 8 Point lake thanked the Friends Group for the picnic table and the Township for the bench installed at West Beach. Via Zoom, Barb Lijewski shared that the Friends Group's Treasure Sale is scheduled for July 2 & 3<sup>rd</sup> at the pavilion. Via Zoom, Dorothy Archambeau from Gray Lake thanked David Byl for all his hard work for the Township, much appreciated. Tom Pirnstill likes the new lights at Gibson and US 10.

**Old Business:** Roland wants our entrance to the hall handicap approved. Byl said that he & SJ Conroy are working on it.

**New Business:** Clare County Equalization invoice, Robin spoke to Tracy and currently have option #3-full service. Tax bill is a separate cost. This needs to be done by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Millage increase for the Fire Department examples: \$50,000 property will increase approximately \$50.00 / \$100,000 property \$100.00 etc.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Lard, supported by Roland. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

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Supervisor – David Byl

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Clerk – Janet Clayton