

## Township Board meeting Minutes

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Garfield Township  
Regular Board Meeting  
June 27, 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 Kevin Tubbs, County Commissioner Jerry Burger and four citizens. The minutes of the May 23, 2011 meeting were approved with a motion by Yarhouse, seconded by Roland. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

The regular meeting was recessed at 7:32 p.m. and Public Hearing on Budget convened. No public comments.

The Public Hearing on Budget adjourned at 7:33 p.m. .

The Public Hearing on Solid Waste Special Assessment convened at 7:33 p.m. No public comments.

The Public Hearing on Solid Waste Special Assessment adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

The Public Hearing on Fire Department Special Assessment convened at 7:30 p.m. Increasing millage from 1.65 to 1.9 is proposed due to increased costs.

The Fire Department was lauded for their exceptional work in the community.

The Public Hearing on Fire Department Special Assessment adjourned at 7:38 and regular meeting reconvened.

Fire report was given by Fire Chief Tubbs who reported 26 runs, 20 of which were medical, 3 mutual aid, 2 miscellaneous fire and one personal injury. He also reported Michelle Campbell had stepped down from the department. He is looking at grants from the USDA to upgrade some equipment. The 800 megahertz radios improperly installed will need to be corrected at a cost of \$1,383.99. In addition two VHF antennas improperly installed will be an additional \$145 to correct.

Scott moved to fix the radios and VHF antennas, seconded by McLane. All Ayes. Motion carried. Fire Chief Tubbs also reported that, at some point in August, the siren at the fire hall will activate for weather alerts only.

County Commissioner Jerry Burger gave a brief report.

Supervisor Scott reported the website had a total of 1100+ hits to date. The only thing that is not on the website at this time is the cemetery. The Board agreed that the cemetery information could be part of the website.

No old business.

Resolution to adopt the budget by cost center for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 by McLane, supported by Rottiers.

Roll call vote all ayes. Resolution approved.

Resolution approving the Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 by Rottiers, supported by McLane.

Roll call vote all ayes. Resolution approved.

Resolution to Continue Township Banking at Any Clare County Bank with FDIC Protection by Roland, supported by McLane.

Roll call vote all ayes. Resolution approved.

Resolution to Continue Authorizing the Clerk to Transfer Funds Between Expense Items in a Cost Center to Avoid a Deficit by Yarhouse, supported by Roland.

Roll call vote all ayes. Resolution approved.

Scott indicated two bids had been submitted for trees to be taken down. Tigner Tree Service submitted a bid for \$300.00 to cut down one dead ash tree at Cold Springs Park, cut into fire wood, and one maple tree in the cemetery, cut into fire wood and hauled away. Anthony Burgett submitted a bid for \$525.00 to cut down one ash tree in Cold Springs Park and clean up and one maple tree in the cemetery and clean up, including grinding the stumps for \$75.00 which was included in the bid. McLane, supported by Rottiers, made a motion to award the bid to Tigner Tree Service. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion by McLane, supported by Yarhouse to approve Bills and Wages of \$69,581.71. All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion by McLane to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:03.