

Regular Township Meeting

Garfield Township

March 14, 2024

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM at Garfield Township Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

**ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye.

**AGENDA Motion** made by Treasurer Sibole, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jones to **approve the agenda with changes.** **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** None

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT:** Presented by Jim Sweet

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

**Motion** by Trustee Moore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jones to approve the **minutes from Budget Workshop Meeting on 2/22/24** as presented. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**Motion** by Treasurer Sibole, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jones to approve the **minutes from the 2/8/24 meeting** as presented. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Motion** by Treasurer Sibole, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jones to **send wording to attorney for a 4-year millage for the Fire Dept** so it will be added to the August Ballot. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**Motion** by Supervisor Jones, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Moore that we sign **the renewal of Fire Protection Millage for Orange Township for the next year**, no changes. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**Motion** by Treasurer Sibole, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jones to approve **the General Appropriations Act Resolution.** **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**Assessor will be gone As of May 1<sup>st</sup>.** Need to advertise in newspaper, take applications of interest and meet on 4/11/24 at 6 pm to look over and make decision.

**Election Changes** were discussed and that the cost to the township was around \$8,000, which for this election we submitted for reimbursement since this was a Federal Election. At this time, the township will go forward on their own and not combine with other townships for the 9 day early voting. We had 25 people total show up for early 9 days.

**Propane Bid for Fire Barn** was discussed. **Motion** by Trustee Moore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jones that we go with Webster Garner at a cost locked in at \$1.559 through April 30, 2025, current cost being \$2.44. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

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**Motion** by Supervisor Jones, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Moore to accept the **Treasurer's Report for the General Fund** as presented. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**Motion** by Trustee Moore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jones to accept the **Treasurer's Report for the Fire Fund** as presented. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Supervisor Jones, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clerk Southworth to have Treasurer close out ARPA Fund Account and put funds in Michigan Class. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**Motion** by Treasurer Sibole, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Rohn to pay the **General Fund Bills** with the addition of ck#3015 to Mark Sibole for installing Door at Fire Barn for \$700.00 and CC#2 to MTA for \$1000.00 for training. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**Motion** by Supervisor Jones, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Sibole to pay the **Fire Fund Bills** as presented. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Absent, Trustee Moore-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk Southworth-Aye. Motion Carried.

**ZONING REPORT** presented by Ken Nason.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT** presented by Chief Jones

**POLICE/PARK/HOSPITAL Report** was presented by Chief Jerry Cannon.

**Tru Green Discussed.** Todd will be getting an updated bid for work required this year.

**Clerk Southworth gave notice that he will be turning in his 30 day resignation letter at the May meeting.** The Township will need to appoint a Clerk to finish the term.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT None**

**Motion** by Treasurer Sibole, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Moore to close the meeting at 8:25 PM. All Ayes, Trustee Moore Absent