

Regular Township Meeting

Garfield Township

March 13, 2025

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

ROLL CALL Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye.

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Supervisor Jones to **approve the agenda with changes. ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

BOR member stated it was a little noisy and next time try not to schedule others at the hall at the same time. Resident mentioned would it be worth looking into the cost of Clean Up as a group with other townships.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT: Presented by Dave Persons invited Board Members to come to the 5 PM Monday Strategic Planning Meeting, 6 PM Tues Meeting at the KCRC with County Commissioners and the KCRC discussing new millage for building, 5 PM Wed County Commissioner Meeting.

Motion by Supervisor Jones, 2nd by Trustee L Nason to **appoint Elizabeth Caulkins to the Planning and Zoning Board as Secretary. ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Trustee L Nason to **renew membership with MTA with Video Training for \$1000/yr ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Trustee L Nason to **Renew Annual Contract with Allpro** for updates, virus protection, and computer monitoring billed at \$158/mo. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Supervisor Jones, 2nd by Treasurer Sibole to **adjust the amount down to \$200, plus \$25 Admin Fee for the snowmobile fire run** after receiving a written request to do so from responsible party. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Trustee L Nason, 2nd by Trustee Rohn to accept the **Treasurer's Report for the General Fund** as presented. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Supervisor Jones, 2nd by Clerk K Nason to accept the **Treasurer's Report for the Fire Fund** as presented. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Supervisor Jones to pay the **General Fund Bills** with the correction of Voiding ck# 3134 to Give'em A Brake and issuing ck # 3144 to Jerry Cannon for same amount to come out of GL Acc# 101.577 and issuing check #3143 to Municipal Underwriters for \$1595.00 for Fire Department Insurance. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Trustee Rohn to pay the **Fire Fund Bills** with the correction of Voiding ck # 743 written to Municipal Underwriters and paying it out of GF. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

ZONING REPORT by Dave Martin

PLANNING REPORT presented by Daniel Conklin. Planning Board still needs 1 more person. First Meeting of the year in April.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT presented by Charlie Kitchen. Charlie pointed out that the amount put in the Budget under Fire Education should have been put in Fire Runs. Correction noted.

POLICE/PARK/HOSPITAL Report was presented by Chief Jerry Cannon. Hospital had their first 501(c)3 Board Meeting. They are hopeful that the Millage falls off before the next tax season. Lengthy discussion regarding the next steps in the hospital's future.

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Trustee L Nason after looking at 3 bids to accept the Estimate of Avery Excavating for \$57K to do the park renovations, which will be covered by the Grant. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Trustee Rohn to **move \$700.00 from 265.935 Hall Maintenance to 101.191 Elections to Balance that Department's Budget.** **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

Budget was discussed. Clerk K Nason asked to change his budget from \$27,300 to \$29,300 to accommodate his Clerk's Office Assistant Wages. **Motion** by Supervisor Jones, 2nd by Treasurer Sibole to approve Budget with changes. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Supervisor Jones to accept the proposal from TRUGREEN for the Cemetery and Park. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

GFL Bid for Spring Clean Up went up by \$200.00 from last year. **Motion** by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Supervisor Jones to accept GFL's Bid for the 2025 Cleanup. **ROLL CALL** Trustee Rohn-Aye, Trustee L Nason-Aye, Treasurer Sibole-Aye, Supervisor Jones-Aye, Clerk K Nason-Aye. Motion Carried.

It was discussed of possibly putting on the August Election a millage for the Headley Amendment Roll Back.

Annual Meeting will be 3/27 @ 6 PM

IT was noted that our new BOR did an excellent job. The Board thanked Donna, Karen and Donna for a job well done.

Jim Sweet did not make it to training therefore we do not have an alternative for the BOR.

Motion by Treasurer Sibole, 2nd by Trustee Rohn to close the meeting at 8:43 PM. All Ayes.

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