

WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

August 11, 2020

Call to Order: Supervisor Walter Ruhl called the special meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 a.m. in the Whiteford Township Offices. Present were Donald Sahloff, Bernice Heidelberg, Tim Hill, Angela Christensen, Walter Ruhl, Township Attorney, Alex Drescher, Township Accountant James Beck, and 12 guests.

Agenda Amendment: Supervisor Walter Ruhl amended the agenda by removing Item #6, Water Ordinance 67 A-2.

Approve Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda of August 11, 2020 special meeting, as amended, made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IA and Water IB USDA Extra Monies: Township Accountant, Jim Beck, presented the board with information on how to appropriate the extra assessment monies that have been collected towards the USDA loans for Water IA and Water IB. His recommendation is to pay \$46,000 towards Water IA and \$151,000 towards Water IB USDA loans. Motion to approve payments of extra assessment monies towards USDA loans for Water IA and Water IB as presented made by Bernice Heidelberg second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Township Insurance: Representatives from both Burnham & Flower Insurance Group and Ted Hartleb Agency were present and answered questions from the board regarding township insurance coverage. After discussion, motion to approve township insurance coverage with Ted Hartleb Agency in the amount of \$48,576 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, no, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-1.

Site Plan Request By Stoneco: Discussion was held on request by Stoneco, 7555 Whiteford Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267 regarding their seven parcels located on southeast corner of Jeffs and Jeffs Doty Road. Appellant is requesting site plan approval for all parcels. Motion to approve site plan request as presented made by Bernice Heidelberg second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Michael & Deborah Iott Request for Waiver of 4:1 Ratio Requirement: Michael and Deborah Iott of 9350 Turk Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267 addressed the board requesting a waiver of the 4:1 ratio for depth to width requirement. Motion to approve waiving the 4:1 ratio for depth to width requirement for Michael & Deborah Iott as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Whiteford Center Fire Department New Fire Truck: Whiteford Center Fire Department Chief Adam Pickard presented information on future price increases for new fire trucks and asked the board to consider ordering a new truck before the increases take effect.

Public Comment: Mark Draper, Whiteford Center Road, asked the board to investigate home occupations being conducted from residential property in his area. Andrew Gill, Sylvania-Petersburg Road, inquired what "extra monies" were, as it was listed on the agenda. Jon Johnson with Burnham & Flower Insurance Group thanked the board for their many years as a client.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

Angela Christensen

Whiteford Township Clerk