

WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 20, 2018

Call to Order: Supervisor Walter Ruhl called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 p.m. in the Whiteford Township Offices. Present were Donald Sahloff, Tim Hill, Bernice Heidelberg, Angela Christensen, Walter Ruhl, Alex Drescher, Township Attorney, and approximately 11 guests.

Approve Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda of February 20, 2018 with the correction of the January 16, 2018 minutes date made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of January 16, 2018 made by Angela Christensen, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Treasurer's Financial Report: Motion to approve the February 20, 2018 treasurer's financial report as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Budget Adjustments: Motion to amend the budget: Legislative 101-101, add \$1,000, Supervisor 101-171, add \$5,000, Cemetery 101-276, add \$20,000, Ottawa Lake Fire Department 101-337, add \$2,500, Whiteford Center Fire Department 101-338, add \$12,750, Roads 101-446, add \$9,900, Sewer I 589-538, add \$4,000, Sewer I 589-550, add \$10,000 out of fund balance made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Check Registers: Motion to approve the February 20, 2018 General Government check register with disbursements totaling \$89,923.25 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve the February 20, 2018 Sewer I & II Operations check register with disbursements totaling \$12,598.05 made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IA, Ninth Draw: Motion to approve the ninth draw for Water IA, in the amount of \$785,856.17, from the Water Project funds made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IB, Ninth Draw: Motion to approve the ninth draw for Water IB, in the amount of \$2187.48 plus \$467.93 from last month, from the Water Project funds made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Open Public Hearing on Amending Water District IB: At 7:34 p.m. Supervisor Walter Ruhl declared a public hearing on amending Water District IB to include Joseph Balusik, 7745 Beck Road, to the assessment roll (5815-029-004-00), and asked for comments from the public.

Close Public Hearing on Amending Water District IB: After no public comment, at 7:35 p.m. Supervisor Walter Ruhl declared close of public hearing on amending Water District IB.

Special Assessment Resolution No. 4 (Amended Water District #1B): Motion to approve Special Assessment Resolution No. 4 (Amended Water District #1B) to include Joseph Balusik, 7745 Beck Road to the assessment roll made by Donald Sahloff, 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.

Resolution To Lower The Pay Of Trustee Bernice Heidelberg: Motion to approve Resolution To Lower The Pay Of Trustee Bernice Heidelberg at her request made by Tim Hill, 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.

Board of Review: Motion to appoint Darrell Rush as alternate to the Board of Review made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

SAW Grant Invoices: Motion to approve payment of Advanced Rehabilitation Technology Invoice #2140 for evaluation of existing sewer system in the amount of \$1,400, and hourly payroll to Ernie Sasse for ditch inspection of

south township in the amount of \$32.30 with SAW Grant funds made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Cemetery Ordinance: Angela Christensen and Township Attorney, Alex Drescher presented the board with suggested revisions to the current Cemetery Ordinance. Further revisions and discussion will be held at the next workshop and meeting.

Cemetery Millage: Walter Ruhl and Alex Drescher presented suggested language for proposed cemetery millage request. Motion to approve $\frac{1}{4}$ mill for cemetery maintenance and improvements to be put on the August, 2018 ballot made by Tim Hill, 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.

Sheriff Contract: Walter Ruhl informed the board of renewal of Sheriff contract with Summerfield Township. The board indicated several concerns and will need further information. After lengthy discussion, motion to table made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0.

Road Report: Walter Ruhl and Bob Schnipke reported Monroe County Road Commission will repave and repair Beck Road from Memorial Hwy. to Head-O-Lake Road, and the Township will repave and repair Whiteford Center Road from Temperance Road to St. Anthony Road.

Road Mowing Contract: Motion to approve the mowing contract for local roads in the amount of \$19,800 made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

2018-2019 Road Contracts: Motion to approve 2018 – 2019 contracts for single seal on Township roads made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Water Project Report: Walter Ruhl reported the water building is progressing, but work is behind schedule.

Fire Report: Walter Ruhl informed the board Ottawa Lake Fire Department is requesting funds for new helmets. They have grant monies in the amount of \$2,500, and still need an additional \$4,000 to complete the purchase. Motion to approve \$4,000 toward new helmets for Ottawa Lake Fire Department made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0. Adam Pickard, Chief of Whiteford Center Fire Department, presented information on I Am Responding Emergency Services. Ottawa Lake Fire Department reported 13 calls for January, 2018. Whiteford Center Fire Department reported 42 calls January, 2018.

Park Report: Walter Ruhl reported damage to the park made by snowmobiles and cars, and people doing community service hours will be working, weather permitting.

Additional Items To Come Before The Board: None

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m. after completion of the agenda.

Angela Christensen
Whiteford Township Clerk