

WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 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, Bernice Heidelberg, Angela Christensen, Walter Ruhl, Alex Drescher, Township Attorney, and approximately 12 guests. Tim Hill was absent.

Approve Agenda: Supervisor Walter Ruhl made a correction to the agenda by adding Ordinance No. 68A-1 – Amendment To Whiteford Township Zoning Ordinance. Motion to approve the agenda of March 20, 2018 with the correction of the addition of Ordinance No. 68A-1 made by Bernice Heidelberg second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2018 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent. Motion to approve the special meeting minutes of March 15, 2018 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Check Registers: Motion to approve the March 20, 2018 General Government check register with disbursements totaling \$66,511.02 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent. Motion to approve the March 20, 2018 Sewer I & II Operations check register with disbursements totaling \$5,030.52 made by Angela Christensen, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Treasurer's Financial Report: Clerk Angela Christensen read the Treasurer's Financial Report. Motion to approve the March 20, 2018 Treasurer's Financial Report as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Water IA, Tenth Draw: Motion to approve the tenth draw for Water IA, in the amount of \$89,430.02, from the Water Project funds made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Water IB, Tenth Draw: Motion to approve the tenth draw for Water IB, in the amount of \$7,702.47, from the Water Project funds made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Water I, Change Order #3: Motion to approve Change Order #3 for Water I, for a ten (10) day extension because of cold weather made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Water I, Change Order #4: Motion to approve Change Order #4 for Water I, adding \$3,943.56 for additional work on meter pits on Brown Street made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

SAW Grant Invoices: Motion to approve payment of David Arthur Consultants, Inc. Invoice #12878 for work on storm water management in the amount of \$6,866, with SAW Grant funds made by Angela Christensen, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Deputy Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, Deputy Supervisor, Constable Salary: Walter Ruhl presented information to the board for the need to have the Deputy and Constable positions changed from salary and hourly to straight salary. Motion to recommend the Deputy Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, Deputy Supervisor and Constable positions be considered for change from salary and hourly to straight salary beginning after July 1, 2018 for the next budget year made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Ordinance No. 68A-1 – Amendment To Whiteford Township Zoning Ordinance: Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 68A-1 – Amendment To Whiteford Township Zoning Ordinance made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Tim Hill, absent. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Resolution To Release Two (2) Acres From PA-116 For A House To Be Built: Motion to approve Resolution To Release Two (2) Acres From PA-116 For A House To Be Built on parcel #5815-022-021-00, 40 acres, to create a two-acre parcel for a house for the son that is essential in the farm operation made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Tim Hill, absent. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

PA-116 Applications for Joseph A. Goetz and Jonathan and Karlene Goetz Trust: Motion to approve Application of PA-116 for Joseph A. Goetz and Jonathan and Karlene Goetz Trust, Parcel No. 5815-006-005-00, 20 acres for 30 years made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Tim Hill, absent. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent. Motion to approve Application of PA-116 for Joseph A. Goetz and Jonathan and Karlene Goetz Trust, Parcel No. 5815-006-004-00, 40 acres for 30 years made by Angela Christensen, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Tim Hill, absent. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Ordinance No. 71 – Cemetery Ordinance: After review and discussion of revised Cemetery Ordinance, motion to adopt Ordinance No. 71 – Cemetery Ordinance as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Tim Hill, absent. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Resolution To Establish Cemetery Millage: Motion to approve the language for the ¼ mill tax levy for the cemetery millage for the August 2018 ballot through the Resolution To Establish Cemetery Millage as presented made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Tim Hill, absent. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Resolution To Establish Cemetery Fees And Charges: Motion to approve the Resolution To Establish Cemetery Fees And Charges made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Tim Hill, absent. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Road Report: Walter Ruhl and Bob Schnipke reported that most pot holes have been filled on township roads.

Park Report: Walter Ruhl presented information on estimates for trees and benches for the park, which would satisfy the donations that had been made. Motion to approve the purchase of ten Maple trees at \$125 each from Country Side made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent. Motion to approve the purchase of five benches without backs at \$189 each, plus five benches with backs at \$360 each plus mounting brackets at \$100 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent. The trees and benches will be used along the walking trail.

Fire Report: Ottawa Lake Fire Department reported 19 calls for February, 2018. Whiteford Center Fire Department reported 19 calls February, 2018.

Water Report: Walter Ruhl reported there was a problem when ordering the output pumps and manifold, so there will be a delay in shipping them. An overhead door will be added to the south side of the building so the pumps can be installed last.

Additional Items To Come Before The Board: A resident inquired about the small building at the Water plant site, which will be used as a bulk water station.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m. after completion of the agenda.

Angela Christensen
Whiteford Township Clerk