

WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

November 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, Angela Christensen, Bernice Heidelberg, Walter Ruhl, Alex Drescher, Township Attorney, and approximately 15 guests.

Approve Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda of November 20, 2018 with correction of the Planning Commission meeting date from November 27, 2018 to December 4, 2018 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Check Registers: Motion to approve the November 20, 2018 General Government check register with disbursements totaling \$85,610.33 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve the November 20, 2018 Sewer I & II Operations check register with disbursements totaling \$7,016.47 made by Tim Hill, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Budget Adjustments: Motion to approve the following budget adjustments: 101-262-860.001 Elections Equipment, add \$5,575, 101-337-851.000 OLFID Internet, add \$1,450, 101-338-851.000 WCFD Internet, add \$450, 101-446-936.000 Roads Rubbish Pickup, add \$3,000, 101-537-931.000 Community Well O & M, add \$3,700, 101-537-930.000 Community Well Repairs, add \$800, 201-446-810.000 Road Millage, add \$1,800, 206-340-992.000 Fire Millage Capital Equipment, add \$427,394 from fund balance made by Tim Hill, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

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

2017 – 2018 Audit Report: Heidi Galati, CPA, of Cooley Hehl Sabo & Calkins, P.L.L.C. addressed the board with her audit findings and reported Whiteford Township had a good clean audit with unmodified opinion for 2017 – 2018. Motion to accept the audit as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Cooley Hehl Sabo & Calkins , P.L.L.C. Audit Invoice: Motion to approve payment of \$18,700 to Cooley Hehl Sabo & Calkins, P.L.L.C. for their 2017 – 2018 audit services made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IA, Seventeenth Draw Correction: Motion to approve the correction of Water IA, Seventeenth Draw for October 16, 2018 from \$57,795.75 to \$17,517.66 made by Tim Hill, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IA, Change Order #9 Correction: Motion to approve correction of Change Order #9 for Water IA of October 16, 2018 from \$34,503.26 to \$257.52 made by, Bernice Heidelberg, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Amendment of October 16, 2018 Minutes: Motion to amend the minutes of October 16, 2018 to reflect the above changes to Water IA made by Angela Christensen, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the amended minutes of October 16, 2018 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IB, Change Order #3: Motion to approve Change Order #3 for Water IB in the amount of \$34,245.74 made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IB, Change Order #4: Motion to approve Change Order #4 for Water IB in the amount of \$35,649.01 made by Angela Christensen, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IB, Change Order #5: Motion to approve Change Order #5 for Water IB in the amount of \$72,119.62 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IA, Eighteenth Draw: Motion to approve the eighteenth draw for Water IA, in the amount of \$15,723.55, from the Water Project funds made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Water IB, Eighteenth Draw: Motion to approve the eighteenth draw for Water IB, in the amount of \$138,824.49, from the Water Project funds made by Angela Christensen, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Site Plan Review for Buck and Knobby Equipment Company: Discussion was held on request by Buck and Knobby Equipment Company, 6220 Sterns Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267 regarding parcel #5815-027-021-00 located at 6220 Sterns Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan containing 15.6 acres and zoned Industrial. Applicant is submitting a site plan for a new addition for Advantage Transportation. Motion to approve site plan as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Rezoning Request for Paul Piehl: Discussion was held on request by Paul Piehl, 8135 Clark Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267 regarding parcel #5815-030-003-00 located at 8135 Clark Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan containing 2 acres. Applicant is requesting zoning change from AG, Agricultural to R-1, Single Family Rural Residential in order to split off the residence from the large agricultural parcel and to rezone it residentially. Motion to approve zoning request contingent upon split approval by Assessor Chris Renius 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.

TMACOG Dues: Motion to approve annual membership dues to TMACOG in the amount of \$1,133.00 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

Ottawa Lake Park, Tree Removal: Walter Ruhl explained the need for a tree at Ottawa Lake Park to be removed. Motion to approve removal of tree at Ottawa Lake Park at the cost of \$1,150 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

Roads, Tree Removal: Road Advisor Bob Schnipke explained the need for a tree at Summerfield and Samaria Roads to be removed. Motion to approve removal of tree at Summerfield and Samaria Roads at a cost of \$1,800 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance No. 74, Whiteford Township Prohibition of Marihuana Establishments: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 74, Whiteford Township Prohibition of Marihuana Establishments 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.

Water Report: Walter Ruhl informed the board he met with MDEQ, USDA and Senator Dale Zorn at the Water Plant to discuss the Water Plant license and date of operation. Senator Zorn assured the Township he would make the necessary contacts to acquire the license to make the Water Plant operational.

Road Report: None

Park Report: Walter Ruhl presented the board with samples of signs for Stoneco Park, including a sign listing Park Donors and Disc Golf signage. Motion to purchase the "Special Thanks To Park Donors" sign in the amount of \$550 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to purchase 18 individual hole signs for Disc Golf in the amount of \$546 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

Additional Items To Come Before The Board: Residents inquired who was responsible for signing the actual water license document. Trustee Donald Sahloff expressed his gratitude to Precision Irrigation and Lawncare for their improvement in mowing of the township roads.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m. after completion of the agenda.

Angela Christensen
Whiteford Township Clerk