

WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 15, 2020

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, Walter Ruhl, Township Attorney Alex Drescher and 5 guests. Bernice Heidelberg was absent

Approve Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda of September 15, 2020 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of August 18, 2020 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Check Registers: Motion to approve the September 15, 2020 General Government check register with disbursements totaling \$113,867.66 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent. Motion to approve the September 15, 2020 Utilities Operations check register with disbursements totaling \$29,296.50 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Treasurer's Financial Report: Motion to approve the September 15, 2020 Treasurer's Financial Report as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Budget Adjustments: Motion to amend the 2019 – 2020 fiscal year budget by adding \$2,900 from Fund Balance to 201-446-995.000 Interest Expense – Debt Retirement made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Rezoning Request by Vernon O. Luse Trust – Pamela K. McNett, ttee: Discussion was held on request by Vernon O. Luse Trust – Pamela K. McNett, ttee, 111 W. Vesey Street, Petersburg, Michigan 49270 regarding parcel #5815-006-001-00 located at 8485 Goetz Road, Riga, Michigan 49276. Appellant is seeking rezoning from AG-Agricultural to R-1 Single Family Rural Residential to separate existing house from farmland. Motion to approve rezoning as presented made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

PA-116 Application for Alan Ahleman: Motion to approve Application of PA-116 for Alan Ahleman, Parcel No. 5815-031-001-20, 35.30 acres for 15 years, made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Whiteford Center Road Tile Replacement and Catch Basin: Motion to approve replacement of tile and add a catch basin on Whiteford Center Road located across from Whiteford Center Fire Station in the amount of \$12,500 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Water Report: Motion to approve Hank's Plumbing and Heating Co., Inc. to clean holding pond drain at the Water Plant in the amount of \$4,000 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Park Report: Motion to approve purchase of two tires for John Deere 1025R tractor in the amount of \$259.99 made by Tim Hill, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter

Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent. Walter Ruhl reported pavilion is progressing, and new concrete will be poured by October.

Road Report: Motion to approve payment of \$3,000 to 4-Point Tree Services for emergency tree removal on Flanders Road made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-0, 1 absent.

Fire Report: Ottawa Lake Fire Department reported 18 calls for the month of August, 2020. Whiteford Center Fire Department reported 43 calls for the month of August, 2020. Walter Ruhl informed the board new air packs will be shipped soon that were purchased through grant monies, and the good used air packs will be donated.

Additional Items To Come Before The Board: None

Public Comment: Mark Draper inquired on progress of legal action for violations by business from a residential home.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. after completion of the agenda.

Angela Christensen

Whiteford Township Clerk