# WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## VIRTUAL MEETING

#### February 16, 2021

# Due to COVID-19 and inclement weather , Whiteford Township Board of Trustees held a virtual meeting via Zoom.

**Call to Order:** Supervisor Walter Ruhl called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 p.m. Present via Zoom were Donald Sahloff, Tim Hill, Bernice Heidelberg, Angela Christensen, Walter Ruhl, and Dave Saalfeld to record on Zoom. There were also 7 guests via Zoom.

**Approve Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda of February 16, 2021 made by Tim Hill, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

**Approve Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes of January 21, 2021 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

**Treasurer's Financial Report:** Motion to approve the February 16, 2021 Treasurer's Financial Report as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

**Check Registers:** Motion to approve the February 16, 2021 General Government check register with disbursements totaling \$87,406.18 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve the February 16, 2021 Utilities Operations check register with disbursements totaling \$23,500.11 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

**Revised 2021 Poverty Exemptions Resolution:** Walter Ruhl explained the revisions to the Poverty Exemptions Resolution. Motion to adopt the 2021 Poverty Exemption Resolution within the purview of Whiteford Township as it applies to real property 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.

**Bulk Water Station:** Motion to approve the bid to install a low temperature warning light at the Bulk Water Station in the amount of \$688.00 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Ottawa Lake Fire Department:** Motion to approve the bid to install 68 LED ballast bypass lamps and remove old ballasts at the Ottawa Lake Fire Department in the amount of \$1,877.00 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, no, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 4-1.

**Fire Department Pagers:** Motion to approve purchase of six used pagers for the fire departments in the amount of \$1,350.00 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Whiteford Center Fire Department: Motion to approve the bid to install a 60-amp, 240-volt line for the new air fill equipment, including a safety disconnect at the Whiteford Center Fire Department at a cost of \$2, 455.00 made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Water Plant:** Motion to approve a new 480-phase line to a pump relay at the Water Plant at a cost of \$1,440.00 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0. Walter Ruhl informed the board both Tim Hill and

Melissa Russell have completed their training and labs with test results expected soon. He would like to name Tim Hill as Operator in Charge with Melissa Russell as Operator. Thank you, Dave Kubiske for stepping in and being our temporary Operator in Charge!

**Resolution To Establish Whiteford Township Licensed Water Plant Operator Starting Salary:** Motion to approve Resolution to Establish Whiteford Township Licensed Water Plant Operator Starting Salary made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Park Report:** Walter Ruhl reported on a new software program for scheduling park rentals, with payments made through PayPal at a cost of \$49 per month plus 10% for use. Motion to approve use of this software for park rentals made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Resolution To Establish StoneCo Park Rules:** Motion to approve Resolution To Establish StoneCo Park Rules as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Resolution To Establish Park Rental Rates:** Motion to approve Resolution to Establish Park Rental Rates made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Goon's Gun Works:** Walter Ruhl informed the board on a sign violation for "Goon's Gun Works" located at 10035 Whiteford Center Road which is in violation of our township ordinances. Discussion was held by the board.

**SEMCOG Dues:** Motion to approve payment of annual SEMCOG dues in the amount of \$401.50 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

## Public Comment: None

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m. after completion of the agenda.

Angela Christensen Whiteford Township Clerk