

## WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 21, 2023

**Call to Order:** Supervisor Walter Ruhl called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 p.m. Present were Donald Sahloff, Tim Hill, Bernice Heidelberg, Angela Christensen, Walter Ruhl, and Township Attorney, Alex Drescher. There were also 9 guests in attendance.

**Approve Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda of February 21, 2023 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0.

**Approve Minutes:** Motion to approve the meeting minutes of January 21, 2023 made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Motion passed 5-0.

**Check Registers:** Motion to approve the February 21, 2023 General Government check register with disbursements totaling \$713,038.71 made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve the February 21, 2023 Utilities Operations check register with disbursements totaling \$48,320.12 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

**Treasurer's Financial Report:** Motion to approve the February 21, 2023 Treasurer's Financial Report as presented made by Donald Sahloff, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Motion passed 5-0.

**Budget Adjustments:** Motion of increase account number 206-966-995.401 Transfer Out from Fund Balance in the amount of \$426,959.00 made by Angela Christensen, 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. Motion to increase the following account 401-931-699.206 Transfer In Fire Fund and 401-901-981.000 Vehicles in the amount of \$426,959.00 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. Motion to approve the Transfer Out of \$613,997.70 from Fire Fund to the Capital Outlay Fund made by Bernice Heidelberg, 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.

**Deputy Supervisor:** Walter Ruhl informed the board he is appointing Darrell Rush as Deputy Supervisor. Motion to approve Darrell Rush's wage as \$17.50 per hour for up to 120 hours per month made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Motion passed 5-0.

**Resolution To Put The Road Millage Renewal On The August 2023 Ballot:** Motion to approve Resolution To Put The Road Millage Renewal On The August, 2023 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.

**Resolution To Put The Fire Millage Renewal On The August 2023 Ballot:** Motion to approve Resolution To Put The Fire Millage Renewal On The August, 203 Ballot made by Donald Sahloff, 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.

**Forbearance Agreement Between Scott and Corey Mills and Whiteford Township:** Motion to approve Forbearance Agreement Between Scott and Corey Mills and Whiteford Township as presented made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, no, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Angela Christensen, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes. Motion passed 4-1.

**Resolution To Name The Supervisor As Signatory On The Whiteford Union Cemetery Deed:** Motion to approve Resolution To Name The Supervisor As Signatory On The Whiteford Union Cemetery Deed made by Angela Christensen, 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.

**Water II:** Walter Ruhl reported bids for the Water II District will be February 22 at 2:30 p.m.

**Sewer Report:** Walter Ruhl informed the board Highland Treatment has raised their rates as Sewer I and II Operator from \$854 to \$888 per month. Motion to approve rate increase from Highland Treatment made by Tim Hill, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Fire Report:** Ottawa Lake Station #42 had 8 runs for the month of January, 2023. Whiteford Center Station #29 had 29 runs for the month of January, 2023. Motion to approve use of Fire Rescue I Academy for a one-year contract, not to exceed \$1,500 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve purchase of CPR training manikins not to exceed \$2,000 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve purchase of AED not to exceed \$2,500 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Park Report:** From the table, motion to allow Donald Sahloff and Walter Ruhl to purchase a new vehicle for the park at a cost not to exceed \$7,500 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Donald Sahloff. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve proceeding with new parking lot off Serns Road east gate made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve purchase of new bases at the cost of \$570, striping paint at a cost of \$300, grass seed at a cost of \$100 and QuickCrete at a cost of \$16 made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Motion passed 5-0.

**Ball Field #7:** Brandon Best presented an estimated budget on Ball Field #7 expenses totaling \$26,827, along with estimated donations in the amount of \$16,000. Motion to approve proposed budget pending estimated donations made by Tim Hill, second by Bernice Heidelberg. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Road Report:** Bob Schnipke and Walter Ruhl presented the Monroe County Road Commission contracts for Erie Road, Adler Road and mowing local roads. Motion to approve the Monroe County Road Commission contract for 2023 on Erie Road, between Whiteford Center and Whiteford, one mile, no cost to the township, made by Donald Sahloff, second by Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve the Monroe County Road Commission contract for 2023 on Adler Road, Single Chip Seal, \$18,811, made by Bernice Heidelberg, second by Angela Christensen. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0. Motion to approve the Monroe County Road Commission contract for 2023 on mowing contract of local roads, three cuts, \$30,156, made by Donald Sahloff, second by Donald Tim Hill. Roll call vote: Donald Sahloff, yes, Tim Hill, yes, Bernice Heidelberg, yes, Walter Ruhl, yes, Angela Christensen, yes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Additional Items To Come Before The Board:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m. after completion of the agenda.

Angela Christensen  
Whiteford Township Clerk