WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

December 19, 2023 @ 7:30 pm WHITEFORD TOWNSHIP OFFICES

8000 Yankee Road, Suite100, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE
- 2. Motion to approve the AGENDA.
- 3. Public Comment:
- 4. MINUTES: Motion to approve November 21, 2023 minutes.
- 5. CHECK REGISTER: Motion to approve the General Fund check register as presented.
- 6. CHECK REGISTER: Motion to approve the Utility Fund check register as presented.
- 7. TREASURER'S REPORT:
- 8. Motion to approve the quote for mailing Early Voting Notices for \$1,909.50. The state is supposed to reimburse us for the new expense.
- 9. Motion to approve the 2024 Poverty Exemption Resolution.
- 10. I would like to offer the ZBA members a 6-hour course for Continuing Education. The cost is \$125 per person. This is an on-line course so no travel is necessary. Motion to approve the \$125 cost per Commission members and alternates.
- 11. I would like to appoint Doug Donnelly to the Planning Commission for the remainder of Darrell Rush's term ending December 31, 2024. He will be replacing Darrell Rush because he cannot be on the Planning Commission and serve as Deputy Supervisor. Motion to approve this appointment.
- 12. I would like to reappoint Max Miles to the Planning Commission for another three-year term ending December 31, 2026. Motion to approve this appointment.
- 13. Zoning Board of Appeals: I would like to thank Ernie Sass for his service on the ZBA. He has asked to be replaced for health reasons. I would like to appoint Hunter Sanner for the remainder of Erie's term ending December 31, 2025.

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- 14. I would like to reappoint Brad Beck and Lawson Stone to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the term ending December 31, 2026. Motion to approve this appointment.
- 15. Park Report: I will be preparing a budget for spring baseball, right after the first of the year. I also plan on having the Planning Commission start the process of putting together a state recognized Master Plan for the park. Without this master plan, our chances of getting a grant are very small. The state has instructions for writing the Master Plan which include the Planning Commission and two public hearings.
- 16. Fire Report: Please read the Fire Department report. They have 1 request and that is the purchase of Extraction Equipment at a cost of \$41,985.00. Motion to approve the purchase of extraction equipment. Should anything else be included in the "Did you Know" paper?

- 17. Road Report: We have had and approved a motion to pay the matching money for Sterns Road and the Hicker Road Bridge. We now have contracts that need to be approved so the road commission can bill us for the work. The total for all three contracts is \$410,200. The balance in the account is \$425,761.87 that leaves a balance of \$15,561.87.
- a. Motion to approve the contract for \$83,000 for the work at Sterns and Whiteford Ct. intersection.
- b. Motion to approve \$80,000 the contract for the work at Sterns and Whiteford Road.
- c. Motion to approve the contract for \$247,200 for the Hicker Road bridge project. We have already paid for some of the engineering so that will come off the invoice.
- 18. When I started this job, I furnished my own computer. I will need the township to purchase a computer for this office. Then I can move all township files from my laptop to the new computer and take my laptop home and replace my very old and slow lap top I am using. The cost will be about the same as the others we have recently purchased. Since I had my laptop repaired, I need a new license for Office.
- 19. Anything additional to be brought before the board this evening.
- 20. Public comment:
- 21. Adjourn

Important Dates and Meetings:

The Treasurer will be in the Township Offices to collect taxes on December 28, 2023, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Whiteford Township Offices will be closed for the holidays from December 22 through January 2, 2024

Planning Commission January 9, 2024 @ 7:30

Board of Trustees January 16, 2024 @ 7:30

If you need to meet with a Township Official during this time, please call for an appointment.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!