SPECIAL MEETING Minutes
Whitewater Township BOARD
December 30, 2024

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Slopsema called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Whitewater Township Hall, 5777 Vinton Road, Williamsburg, Michigan, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Board Members

Board members present: Clerk Wendy Hoeksema, Supervisor Linda Slopsema, Treasurer Jill Koester, Trustee Tim Arends, Trustee Randy Mielnik.

Others present: Fire Chief Josh Morgan

Set/Adjust Meeting Agenda

New Business to include
-Clerk's request to pay outstanding bills
- Supervisor's request for IT upgrade discussion
-Verbal report on software upgrade by Clerk/Treasurer

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Trustee Tim Arends did excuse himself from discussion regarding appointment of Deputy Supervisor which includes wage rate discussion.

Public Comment

None in person nor on Zoom

Correspondence

None

Agenda Items as Listed in Special Meeting Notice:

1.Deputy Supervisor appointment by Supervisor Slopsema

It was discussed that attorney Chris Patterson was spoken to on this matter to establish roles of Deputy Supervisor vs. Trustee. There was no conflict with this, especially in a smaller Township.
Supervisor Slopsema made motion to approved Trustee Tim Arends as her Deputy Supervisor. Seconded by Koester. Vote all Yeas None opposed, Motion carried.

2.Deputy Supervisor Wage

Slopsema suggested the Step16 pay rate scale of $25.04 due to Tim's extensive experience.
Clerk Hoeksema made motion to approve Deputy Supervisor Arends at step 16 pay rate scale of $25.04 hourly. Trustee Mielnik seconded. Vote All Yeas, None opposed, Motion carried.

Board Comments/Discussion:

Clerk provided report for ongoing bills, utilities, etc. to be paid. It was discussed the days and times of

IT person to be on site and which computers were being upgraded/affected. Clerk/Treasurer to meet with BS & A spokesperson.

Public Comment
None

Adjournment by verbal agreement @ 9:45 AM