

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
December 13, 2022

The Town Board Meeting was called to order at the Garfield Township Hall on December 13, 2022 at 6:01p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board Members

Present: Molly Agostinelli, Chris Barsheff, Steve Duell, Chuck Korn, Chloe Macomber, Lanie McManus and Denise Schmuckal

Staff Present: John Sych, Planning Director

1. Public Comment (6:02)

None

2. Review and Approval of the Amended Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:02)

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve the amended agenda as presented.

*Yeas: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Barsheff, Duell, McManus, Macomber, Korn
Nays: None*

3. Consent Calendar (6:05)

a. Minutes

November 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
November 29, 2022 Special Budget Meeting
(Recommend Approval)

b. Bills

i.	General Fund	\$457,930.23
ii.	Gourdie-Fraser Developer's Escrow Fund – Storm Water Reviews, Utility Plan Review, Oversight and Closeout	
		\$ 11,015.00
	<u>General Utilities</u>	<u>3,095.00</u>
	Total	\$ 14,110.00

(Recommend Approval)

c. Consideration of Resolution 2022-29-T – A Resolution for Adoption of Poverty/Hardship Exemption Policy (Recommend Approval)

- d. **Consideration of proposed new road name of Lunatic Lane (Recommend Approval)**
- e. **Consideration of setting a public hearing on the Five-Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan on January 10, 2023 (Recommend Approval)**
- f. **Consideration of Contractor's Application for Payment No. 9 to Grand Traverse Construction for Township Roof (Recommend Approval)**
- g. **Consideration of Garfield Township Roof Repair – close-out and turnover documents (Recommend Approval)**
- h. **Consideration of Resolution 2022-43-T, a budget amendment to increase Community Promotions line item in the General Fund by \$5,000 (Recommend Approval)**
- i. **Consideration of Resolution 2022-44-T, a budget amendment to increase Capital Outlay-Township Hall line item in the General Fund by \$10,000 (Recommend Approval)**

Schmuckal moved and Duell seconded to approve the consent calendar as presented.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Macomber, McManus, Korn
Nays: None*

4. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar (6:06)

None

5. Correspondence (6:06)

None

6. Reports

a. County Commissioner's Report (6:06)

County Commissioner Brad Jewett reported that there are 108 applications for the ARPA funds. The BOC will have a study session for public input on the ARPA funds applications. He stated that there are five new commissioners coming on board and the BOC will be a total of nine members instead of seven.

b. Construction Report (6:10)

Engineer Jennifer Graham submitted a report in writing and also stated that the Silver Lake Sewer extension permit is still coming. Graham stated that she is conducting flow monitoring near the proposed Birmley Estates project since there is growth in that area of the township. She will bring a

proposed option to add a mixer to the water tank in that area at a future meeting and has already done some work to help water pressure in that area. Graham is also working on stormwater reviews.

c. Sheriff's Report (6:08)

Lt. Brinks reviewed statistics for the month of November 2022. A fifth CPO has been added to the township and Deputy Makowski will move into the schools for support.

d. GT Metro Fire Report

Writing report submitted

e. MMR Report (6:16)

Operations Manager Amy Fairchild reported that there were 329 calls in November. She added that more people are getting trained and there are two new trucks ready to come to the township.

f. Planning Department Monthly Report for December

Township Planning Director John Sych reported on a few of the larger projects coming to Garfield in a written report. The proposed Indoor Racing Cart franchise will be reviewed by the Planning Commission at its next meeting. The Parks and Rec Master Plan is out for review.

g. Parks & Recreation Report (6:22)

Parks Steward Sean Kehoe updated board members on happenings in the Parks. They are working to create a sledding hill at Silver Lake Park and the board will discuss lawn care quotes for 2023 this evening. Parks staff has been busy clearing downed trees from trails and in Boardman Valley, there were downed trees due to beaver damage.

h. Clerk's Report (6:27)

McManus stated that her report was submitted in writing and her office is preparing for a recount for the proposals to make sure the tabulators were working correctly.

i. Supervisor's Report (6:29)

Korn reported that the city signed a new agreement with MMR and Garfield may do the same. The BATA bids are being received and are coming in at less than expected. Planning Staff and Korn met with members of the GCRC to coordinate efforts and he attended a meeting on indoor sports coalitions.

7. Unfinished Business

- a. Public Hearing – Garfield Township Budgets for 2023 (General Fund, Fire Fund, Public Improvement Fund, Budget Stabilization Fund,**

DPW Fund, Park System Fund, Street Light Fund and Special Assessment District Fund) (6:38)

Korn opened the public hearing at 6:39pm and seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

8. New Business

a. Consideration of Letter of Recommendation for the Cedar Run Water Main Extension (6:39)

Engineer Jennifer Graham stated that this project would locate an alternate water source for an area that has high concentrations of nitrates. The area is also high density residential. Bids were sent out and a grant was received from the state. Elmer's is holding the price at this point however, there is a shortfall of nearly \$350,000. Korn asked that Garfield Township provide funds for the extension and collect the benefits from the water system. Garfield would still retain the water extension as an asset until such a time that Long Lake Township wanted to claim ownership. At that time, Long Lake Township would reimburse Garfield Township.

McManus moved and Barsheff seconded to accept the agreement for the Cedar Run Water Main Extension with changes which encompass reimbursement language if Long Lake Township should want to claim this asset at a later date.

Yeas: McManus, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Duell, Schmuckal, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

Barsheff moved and Schmuckal seconded to accept the bid from Elmer's to complete the Cedar Run water main extension in the amount of \$1,389,275.

Yeas: Barsheff, Schmuckal, McManus, Macomber, Duell, Agostinelli, Korn
Nays: None

b. Consideration of bids for lawn care services for 2023-2024 summer season (7:01)

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to accept bids from Land Green Lawn Care in the amount of \$10,140 for fertilizing and from Premier Outdoors in the amount of \$18,860 for mowing and landscaping.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Duell, Agostinelli, McManus, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

c. Consideration of Resolution 2022-31-T 2023 General Fund Budget (7:03)

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-31-T 2023 General Fund Budget.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Duell, Macomber, McManus, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

d. Consideration of Resolution 2022-32-T Fire Fund Budget (7:03)

Schmuckal moved and Duell seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-32-T Fire Fund Budget.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Macomber, McManus, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

e. Consideration of Resolution 2022-33-T Public Improvement Road Fund Budget (7:04)

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-33-T Public Improvement Road Fund Budget.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Duell, Macomber, McManus, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

f. Consideration of Resolution 2022-34-T Budget Stabilization Fund Budget (7:04)

Schmuckal moved and McManus seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-34-T Budget Stabilization Fund Budget.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, McManus, Agostinelli, Duell, Macomber, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

g. Consideration of Resolution 2022-35-T 2023 DPW Fund Budget (7:05)

Schmuckal moved and Macomber seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-35-T 2023 DPW Fund Budget.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Macomber, McManus, Agostinelli, Duell, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

h. Consideration of Resolution 2022-36-T Park System Fund Budget (7:05)

Schmuckal moved and Duell seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-36-T Park System Fund Budget.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Macomber, McManus, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

i. Consideration of Resolution 2022-37-T Street Light Fund Budget (7:06)

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-37-T Street Light Fund Budget.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Duell, Agostinelli, McManus, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

j. Consideration of Resolution 2022-38-T 2023 Special Assessment District Fund Budget (7:06)

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-38-T 2023 Special Assessment District Fund Budget.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Duell, McManus, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

k. Consideration of Resolution 2022-39-T Clerk's Salary (7:07)

Schmuckal moved and Duell seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-39-T Clerk's Salary.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Barsheff, McManus, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

l. Consideration of Resolution 2022-40-T Treasurer's Salary (7:08)

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-40-T Treasurer's Salary.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Duell, Agostinelli, McManus, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

m. Consideration of Resolution 2022-41-T Supervisor's Salary (7:08)

Schmuckal moved and McManus seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-41-T Supervisor's Salary.

Yeas: Schmuckal, McManus, Barsheff, Duell, Agostinelli, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

n. Consideration of Resolution 2022-42-T Annual Exemption Option as Set Forth in 2011 Public Act 152, The Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act (7:09)

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-42-T Annual Exemption Option as Set Forth in 2011 Public Act 152, The Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, McManus, Barsheff, Duell, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

o. Consideration of the Township's liability insurance renewal plan (7:09)

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to renew the township's insurance policy through Michigan Township Par Plan for the 2023 year.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, McManus, Barsheff, Duell, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

p. Consideration of 2023 Board Appointments (7:10)

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to appoint Joe McManus and Pat Cline to the Planning Commission for a three-year term.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Agostinelli, McManus, Duell, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

McManus moved and Macomber seconded to appoint Barsheff to the GT Metro Fire Board for a one year term.

Yeas: McManus, Macomber, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Duell, Korn
Nays: None

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to appoint Agostinelli as First Alternate to the GT Metro Fire Board.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, McManus, Macomber, Duell, Agostinelli, Korn

Nays: None

McManus moved and Duell seconded to appoint Schmuckal as the second alternate to the GT Metro Fire Board

*Yeas: McManus, Duell, Barsheff, Macomber, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

q. 2023 Township Board meeting dates (7:21)

Board members discussed the 2023 meeting dates.

r. Consideration of Resolution 2022-45-T, Trustee's Salary (7:22)

McManus moved and Barsheff seconded to adopt Resolution 2022-45-T, Trustee's Salary.

Yeas: McManus, Barsheff, Duell, Agostinelli, Macomber, Schmuckal, Korn

Nays: None

9. Public Comment: (7:23)

None

10. Other Business (7:23)

Schmuckal stated that the ad was incorrect for the Parks Master Plan and Planner Sych said that the ad would be re-run with the correct date.

Barsheff recognized Schmuckal on her upcoming retirement.

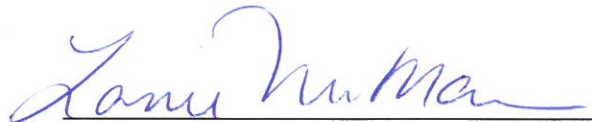
Schmuckal stated that the Parks and Rec Master Plan was excellent.

11. Adjournment

Korn adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm.



Chuck Korn, Supervisor
Charter Township of Garfield
3848 Veterans Drive
Traverse City, MI 49686



Lanie McManus, Clerk
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

RESOLUTION 2022-29-T

ADOPTION OF 2023 POVERTY/HARDSHIP EXEMPTION POLICY

WHEREAS, the homestead of persons who, in the judgment of the Supervisor and Board of Review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation under the General Property Tax Act; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board is required by Section 7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL 211.7u), to annually adopt guidelines for such exemptions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, pursuant to MCL 211.7u, that the Charter Township of Garfield, Grand Traverse County, adopts the following 2023 Poverty/Hardship Exemption Policy (attached) for the Supervisor and Board of Review to implement.

The rules and regulations shall include, but not be limited to, the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year.

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

- 1) Be an owner of, and occupy as a homestead, the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 2) File a claim with the Supervisor or Board of Review (Exhibit "A"), accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the homestead, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year. Or, if applicant is not required to file income taxes, complete and file with the Supervisor or Board of Review the Poverty Exemption Affidavit (Michigan Dept of Treasury form 4988 (Exhibit "B")).
- 3) Produce a valid drivers' license or other form of identification if requested.
- 4) Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which and exemption is requested, *if requested*.
- 5) Annually complete an Affirmation of Ownership and Occupancy to Remain Exempt by Reason of Poverty (from 5739 – Exhibit "C").
- 6) Meet Garfield Township's Income Guidelines, as stated in the attached Poverty/Hardship Exemption Rules, Regulations and Asset Test (Exhibit "D").
- 7) Meet additional eligibility requirements as determined by the Township Board.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and Garfield Township Poverty Income guidelines in granting or denying an exemption. If the Board of Review denies a Poverty/Hardship reduction, it must provide a written decision specifying the reasons for the denial to the applicant.

The foregoing resolution offered by Board Member Denise Schmuckal and supported by Board Member Steve Duell.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:


Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Macomber, McManus, Barsheff, Korn

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Excused: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried, and Resolution 2022-29-T duly adopted.


Lanie McManus, Township Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Lanie McManus, the duly appointed Township Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true copy of a Resolution of the Township Board for the Charter Township of Garfield, adopted during a meeting of the Charter Township of Garfield Township Board, Grand Traverse County, Michigan, held on December 13, 2022, at which meeting (7) seven members were present as indicated in said Minutes and voted as therein set forth and that all signatures affixed thereto are the genuine signatures of those so indicated, and that each signatory was duly authorized to affix his or her signature, that said meeting was held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act of the State of Michigan, and that due and proper notice of the meeting as required by law was given to the members of the Township Board, and that the Minutes of said Meeting were kept and will be and have been available as required by said Act.

Date: 12-14-2022


Lanie McManus, Township Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
POVERTY/HARDSHIP EXEMPTION POLICY

The Charter Township of Garfield Board of Review will accept and evaluate applications for a principal residence (homestead) property tax exemption based on the taxpayer's inability to pay or poverty, pursuant to PA 390, 1994 (MCL 211.7u) and Garfield Township Board Resolution #2022-39-T. The applicant shall comply with the following as part of the application (attached):

- Be an owner of, and occupant of, the principal residence for which an exemption is requested.
- Complete an application (Exhibit "A") annually with the Township for a current year poverty exemption request and submit it to the Garfield Township Board of Review AFTER January 1 but before the Thursday prior to the last day of the Board of Review (by law, this is the 2nd Tuesday in December).
- Federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence INCLUDING the Michigan homestead property tax credit claim form, proof of ownership of the homestead (*if requested by the Township*) for the preceding calendar tax year MUST be provided to the Board of Review prior to its poverty exemption determination for the current tax year. If applicant is not required to file income taxes, the Poverty Exemption Affidavit (Michigan Dept. of Treasury form 4988) MUST be completed, signed and attached to the application (Exhibit "B").
- Produce a valid drivers' license or other form of official identification, if requested.
- Annually complete Michigan Department of Treasury form 5739, Affirmation of Ownership and Occupancy to Remain Exempt by Reason of Poverty (Exhibit "C").

The Board of Review will objectively evaluate poverty reduction applications utilizing all available information, including statements, under oath by the applicant upon appearance before the Board of Review. An applicant must apply for a poverty exemption on an annual basis.

In order to qualify for the poverty exemption, an applicant must satisfy a two-part test:

Part One requires the applicant household to satisfy the Garfield Township poverty income guidelines, which are updated annually by Township Board resolution, through its review of the Federal Poverty Guidelines of the US Department of Health and Human Services, incorporated by reference in the attached Poverty/Hardship Exemption Rules, Regulations and Asset Test (Exhibit "D").

Part Two requires the applicant to satisfy an Asset Test based upon the total amount of household assets. An applicant may qualify for the poverty exemption provided the applicant has no more than \$20,500 in total aggregate household assets as listed in the attached Poverty/Hardship Exemption Rules, Regulations and Asset Test.

In the event the applicant meets the foregoing two-part test, as well as all of the general guidelines of Township Board Resolution 2022-39-T and PA 390 of 1994, the applicant shall be exempted from all property taxes for the tax year in question by the Board of Review. If the Board of Review denies a Poverty/Hardship reduction, it must provide a written decision specifying the reasons for the denial to the applicant.

Adopted: December 13, 2022

Effective immediately. This policy and procedures are in force and effect until amended by the Charter Township of Garfield Township Board by resolution.

Application for MCL 211.7u Poverty Exemption

This form is issued under the authority of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, MCL 211.7u.

MCL 211.7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, provides a property tax exemption for the principal residence of persons who, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute toward the public charges. This application is to be used to apply for the exemption and must be filed with the Board of Review where the property is located. This application may be submitted to the city or township the property is located in each year on or after January 1.

To be considered complete, this application must: 1) be completed in its entirety, 2) include information regarding all members residing within the household, and 3) include all required documentation as listed within the application. Please write legibly and attach additional pages as necessary.

PART 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION — Petitioner must list all required personal information.				
Petitioner's Name			Daytime Phone Number	
Age of Petitioner	Marital Status	Age of Spouse	Number of Legal Dependents	
Property Address of Principal Residence		City	State	ZIP Code
<input type="checkbox"/> Check if applied for Homestead Property Tax Credit		Amount of Homestead Property Tax Credit		
PART 2: REAL ESTATE INFORMATION				
List the real estate information related to your principal residence. Be prepared to provide a deed, land contract or other evidence of ownership of the property at the Board of Review meeting.				
Property Parcel Code Number		Name of Mortgage Company		
Unpaid Balance Owed on Principal Residence	Monthly Payment	Length of Time at this Residence		
Property Description				
PART 3: ADDITIONAL PROPERTY INFORMATION				
List information related to any other property owned by you or any member residing in the household.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Check if you own, or are buying, other property. If checked, complete the information below.			Amount of Income Earned from other Property	
1	Property Address	City	State	ZIP Code
	Name of Owner(s)	Assessed Value	Date of Last Taxes Paid	Amount of Taxes Paid
2	Property Address	City	State	ZIP Code
	Name of Owner(s)	Assessed Value	Date of Last Taxes Paid	Amount of Taxes Paid

PART 4: EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION — List your current employment information.

Name of Employer			
Address of Employer	City	State	ZIP Code
Contact Person	Employer Telephone Number		

PART 5: INCOME SOURCES

List all income sources, including but not limited to: salaries, Social Security, rents, pensions, IRAs (individual retirement accounts), unemployment compensation, disability, government pensions, worker's compensation, dividends, claims and judgments from lawsuits, alimony, child support, friend or family contribution, reverse mortgage, or any other source of income, for all persons residing at the property.

Source of Income	Monthly or Annual Income (indicate which)

PART 6: CHECKING, SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT INFORMATION

List any and all savings owned by all household members, including but not limited to: checking accounts, savings accounts, postal savings, credit union shares, certificates of deposit, cash, stocks, bonds, or similar investments, for all persons residing at the property.

Name of Financial Institution or Investments	Amount on Deposit	Current Interest Rate	Name on Account	Value of Investment

PART 7: LIFE INSURANCE — List all policies held by all household members.

Name of Insured	Amount of Policy	Monthly Payments	Policy Paid in Full	Name of Beneficiary	Relationship to Insured

PART 8: MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION

All motor vehicles (including motorcycles, motor homes, camper trailers, etc.) held or owned by any person residing within the household must be listed.

Make	Year	Monthly Payment	Balance Owed

PART 9: HOUSEHOLD OCCUPANTS — List all persons living in the household.

First and Last Name	Age	Relationship to Applicant	Place of Employment	\$ Contribution to Family Income

PART 10: PERSONAL DEBT — List all personal debt for all household members.

Creditor	Purpose of Debt	Date of Debt	Original Balance	Monthly Payment	Balance Owed

PART 11: MONTHLY EXPENSE INFORMATION

The amount of monthly expenses related to the principal residence for each category must be listed. Indicate N/A as necessary.

Heating	Electric	Water	Phone
Cable	Food	Clothing	Health Insurance
Garbage	Daycare	Car Expense (gas, repair, etc.)	
Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	
Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	

Continue and sign on Page

NOTICE: Per MCL 211.7u(2)(b), federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year must be submitted with this application. Federal and state income tax returns are not required for a person residing in the principal residence if that person was not required to file a federal or state income tax return in the tax year in which the exemption under this section is claimed or in the immediately preceding tax year.

PART 11: POLICY AND GUIDELINES ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The governing body of the local assessing unit shall determine and make available to the public the policy and guidelines used for the granting of exemptions under MCL 211.7u. In order to be eligible for the exemption, the applicant must meet the federal poverty guidelines published in the prior calendar year in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under its authority to revise the poverty line under 42 USC 9902, or alternative guidelines adopted by the governing body of the local assessing unit so long as the alternative guidelines do not provide income eligibility requirements less than the federal guidelines. The policy and guidelines must include, but are not limited to, the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and total household income and assets. The combined assets of all persons must not exceed the limits set forth in the guidelines adopted by the local assessing unit.

The applicant has reviewed the applicable policy and guidelines adopted by the city or township, including the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and total household income and assets.

PART 12: CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that the information provided in this form is complete, accurate and I am eligible for the exemption from property taxes pursuant to Michigan Compiled Law, Section 211.7u.

Printed Name	Signature	Date
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This application shall be filed after January 1, but before the day prior to the last day of the local unit's December Board of Review.

Decision of the March Board of Review may be appealed by petition to the Michigan Tax Tribunal by July 31 of the current year. A July or December Board of Review decision may be appealed to the Michigan Tax Tribunal by petition within 35 days of decision. A copy of the Board of Review decision must be included with the petition.

Michigan Tax Tribunal
PO Box 30232
Lansing MI 48909

Phone: 517-335-9760
E-mail: taxtrib@michigan.gov

Poverty Exemption Affidavit

This form is issued under authority of Public Act 206 of 1893 MCL 211.7u

INSTRUCTIONS: When completed, this document must accompany a taxpayer's Application for Poverty Exemption filed with the supervisor or the board of review of the local unit where the property is located. MCL 211.7u provides for a whole or partial property tax exemption on the principal residence of an owner of the property by reason of poverty and the inability to contribute toward the public charges. MCL 211.7u(2)(b) requires proof of eligibility for the exemption be provided to the board of review by supplying copies of federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including property tax credit returns, or by filing an affidavit for all persons residing in the residence who were not required to file federal or state income tax returns for the current or preceding tax year.

I, _____, swear and affirm by my signature below that I reside in the principal residence that is the subject of this Application for Poverty Exemption and that for the current tax year and the preceding tax year, I was not required to file a federal or state income tax return.

Address of Principal Residence: _____

Signature of Person Making Affidavit

Date

Affirmation of Ownership and Occupancy to Remain Exempt by Reason of Poverty

This form is issued under the authority of Public Act 253 of 2020.

This form is to be used to affirm ownership, occupancy, and income status. MCL 211.7u(2) provides that, to be eligible for exemption under this section, a person shall, subject to subsection (6) and (8), annually affirm that the applicant owns and occupies, as a principal residence, the property for which an exemption is requested.

PART 1: OWNER INFORMATION — Enter information for the person owning and occupying the residence.			
Owner Name		Owner Telephone Number	
Mailing Address	City	State	ZIP Code
PART 2: LEGAL DESIGNEE INFORMATION (Complete if applicable.)			
Legal Designee Name		Daytime Telephone Number	
Mailing Address	City	State	ZIP Code
PART 3: HOMESTEAD PROPERTY INFORMATION — Enter information for property in which the exemption is being claimed.			
City or Township (check the appropriate box and enter name) <input type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Township <input type="checkbox"/> Village		County	
Name of Local School District			
Parcel Identification Number		Year(s) Exemption Previously Granted by Board of Review	
Homestead Property Address	City	State	ZIP Code
PART 4: AFFIRMATION OF OWNERSHIP, OCCUPANCY, AND INCOME STATUS (Check all boxes that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> I own the property in which the exemption is being claimed.			
<input type="checkbox"/> The property in which the exemption is being claimed is used as my homestead. Homestead is generally defined as any dwelling with its land and buildings where a family makes its home.			
<input type="checkbox"/> After establishing initial eligibility for the exemption, my income and asset status has remained unchanged and/or I receive a fixed income solely from public assistance that is not subject to significant annual increases beyond the rate of inflation, such as federal Supplemental Security Income or Social Security disability or retirement benefits.			
PART 5: CERTIFICATION			
I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that the information provided on this form is true and I am eligible to receive an exemption from property taxes by reason of poverty pursuant to Michigan Compiled Law, Section 211.7u.			
Owner or Legal Designee Name (print)		Signature of Owner or Legal Designee	Date
Designee must attach a letter of authority.			
LOCAL GOVERNMENT USE ONLY (DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied (Attach appeal instructions and provide to owner.)		Tax Year(s) exemption will be posted to tax roll	
CERTIFICATION — I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this form is complete and accurate.			
Assessor Signature		Date Certified by Assessor	

Charter Township of Garfield Poverty/Hardship Exemption Rules, Regulations and Asset Test

Poverty Exemption Information: MCL 211.7u (1) The principal residence of persons who, in the judgment of the supervisor and board of review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute toward the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or in part from taxation under this act. [Excerpt]

EXHIBIT D

Test 2: Asset Test

Poverty Income Guidelines "Table 1"		(if the applicant meets the Poverty Income Guidelines) "Table 2"	"Table 3"	
What's involved:	<p>How much <u>INCOME</u> a person can receive per year and be eligible for the Poverty Exemption</p>	<p>Things of Value that a person can own and still be granted a Poverty Exemption</p>	<p>Things of Value that the BOR can consider to decide what percent exemption to grant</p>	
What the Law says:	2023 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines	<p>The law protects the applicant's residence. The home, or up to a specified amount of equity in the home, is not considered in determining the percent of the exemption the applicant may receive.</p>	<p>Every township must adopt an asset test, but no specific test is mandated by law. The township board should set a <u>maximum asset amount</u>. In other words, a total value of assets that will likely result in receiving a 0% exemption. This can either be a dollar amount or a percentage of total income.</p>	
	Garfield Township Income Guidelines for 2023 Poverty Exemptions *			
	1			\$16,834
	2			\$22,734
	3			\$28,634
	4			\$34,534
	5			\$40,434
	6			\$46,334
	7			\$52,234
	8			\$58,134
each additional person:	\$4,720	\$5,900		
<p>* Garfield Township's Income limits are based on census data of the Median Household Income (2021 American Community Survey) for Grand Traverse County of \$65,651 divided by 2.34 (number of people per household) = \$28,056 Avg Income per person x 60% (low income guidelines for housing in Grand Traverse County)</p>		<p>Based on the assets listed on a poverty exemption application, the Board of Review may grant the applicant a 0% or 100% exemption.</p>	<p>..... A township can consider the homestead property tax credit that the applicant is eligible for to calculate the the percentage of poverty exemption to be granted.</p>	
<p>Note: The township board can adopt maximum income levels higher than the federal poverty guidelines. A township board can make it easier for a person to be eligible for the poverty exemption, but it cannot make it harder (by adopting lower income levels).</p>				
<p>In Garfield Township, in the event the applicant meets the requirements of the two-part test, as well as all of the general guidelines of the annual Township Board Resolution and PA 390 of 1994, the applicant shall be exempted from all property taxes for the year in question by the Board of Review.</p>		<p>MCL 211.7u(5): "The board of review shall follow the policy and guidelines of the local assessment unit in granting or denying an exemption under this section .</p>		

**Charter Township of Garfield
Poverty/Hardship Exemption
Rules, Regulations and Asset Test**

EXHIBIT D	
Test 1: Poverty Income Guidelines	Test 2: Asset Test (if the applicant meets the Poverty Income Guidelines)
<p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * According to the US Census Bureau, "income" includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Money, wages and salaries before any deductions * Net receipts from nonfarm self-employment. (These are receipts from a person's own business, professional enterprise, or partnership, after deductions for self-employment.) * Net receipts from farm self employment. (With the same provisions as above for self-employment.) * Regular payments from social security, railroad retirement, unemployment, workers' compensation, veterans' payments and public assistance. * Alimony, child support, and military family allotments. * Private pensions, government pensions, and regular insurance or annuity payments. * College or university scholarships, grants, fellowships, and assistantships. * Dividends, interest, net rental income, net royalties, periodic receipts from estates or trusts, and net gambling or lottery winnings. 	<p>The township may allow a person to own other things, besides the home, and still receive a poverty exemption. Garfield Township, in addition to the principal residence, allows an applicant to own:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Savings, checking accounts, stocks, bonds or other liquid accounts with a combined balance or value of \$6,000 or less. * One vehicle for each household member of driving age. * Tools and other household furnishings, equipment and clothes. * One recreational vehicle or boat with a market value of \$10,000 or less. * Jewelry of a value less than \$2,000, not including wedding and engagement rings. * Coin collections, firearm collections, stamp collections, rock collections, or similar collections, where the value of each collection does not exceed \$2,500. <p>* The TOTAL value of these assets cannot exceed \$20,500.</p>
	<p>A township may ask applicants to list all of the following types of assets to apply for a poverty exemption (list is not exhaustive):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * A second home * Land * Vehicles * Recreational vehicles (campers, motor homes, boats, ATVs, etc.) * Buildings other than residence. * Equity in the residence above a specified amount. * Jewelry * Antiques * Artwork * Equipment * Other personal property of value. * Bank accounts over a specific amount. * Stocks * Money received from sale of property such as stocks, bonds, a house or a car unless a person is in the business of selling such property. * Withdrawals of bank deposits and borrowed money. * Tax refunds, gifts, loans, lump-sum inheritances, one-time insurance pymts. * Food or housing received in lieu of wages and the value of food and fuel produced and consumed on farms. * Federal noncash benefit programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps, & school lunches.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 GENERAL FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-31-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 General Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$5,079,579.36 revenues and \$5,079,579.36 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Molly Agostinelli

to approve Resolution 2022-31-T, adopting the 2023 General Fund Budget of \$5,079,579.36 revenues and \$5,079,579.36 expenditures as appropriated.

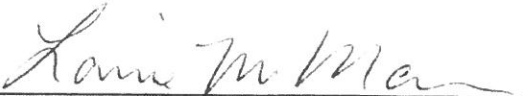
Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Macomber, McManus, Duell, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

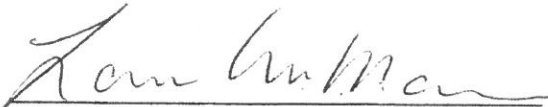
The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-31-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-31-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 FIRE FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-32-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the Fire Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 Fire Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$2,802,160 revenues and \$2,802,160 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Steve Duell

to approve Resolution 2022-32-T, adopting the 2023 Fire Fund Budget of \$2,802,160 revenues and \$2,802,160 expenditures as appropriated.

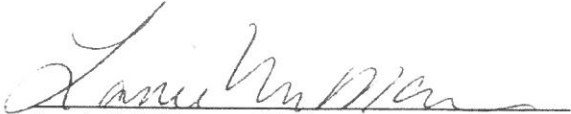
Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, McManus, Barsheff, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

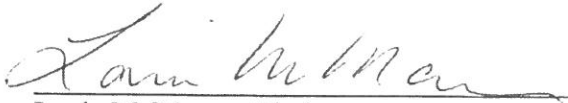
The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-32-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-32-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT ROAD FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-33-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the Public Improvement Road Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 Public Improvement Road Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$100,000 revenues and \$100,000 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Molly Agostinelli

to approve Resolution 2022-33-T, adopting the 2023 Public Improvement Road Fund Budget of \$100,000 revenues and \$100,000 expenditures as appropriated.


Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Duell, Macomber, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-33-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.




Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-33-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date



Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 BUDGET STABILIZATION FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-34-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the Budget Stabilization Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 Budget Stabilization Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$ 0.00 revenues and \$ 0.00 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Lanie McManus

to approve Resolution 2022-34-T, adopting the 2023 Budget Stabilization Fund Budget of \$ 0.00 revenues and \$ 0.00 expenditures as appropriated.

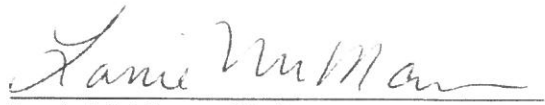
Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, McManus, Duell, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-34-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.

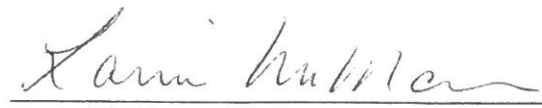


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-34-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date



Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 DPW FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-35-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the DPW Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 DPW Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$ 0.00 revenues and \$ 0.00 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Chloe Macomber

to approve Resolution 2022-35-T, adopting the 2023 DPW Fund Budget of \$ 0.00 revenues and \$0.00 expenditures as appropriated.

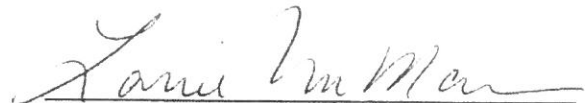
Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, Macomber, McManus, Barsheff, Duell, Agostinelli, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

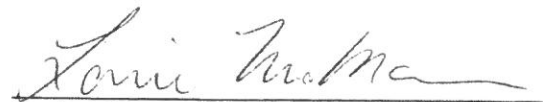
The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-35-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-35-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 PARK SYSTEM FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-36-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the Park System Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 Park System Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$643,503.91 revenues and \$643,503.91 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Steve Duell

to approve Resolution 2022-36-T, adopting the 2023 Park System Fund Budget of \$643,503.91 revenues and \$643,503.91 expenditures as appropriated.

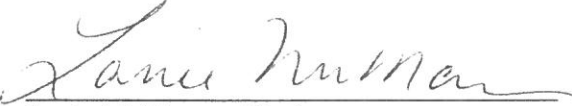
Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Macomber, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

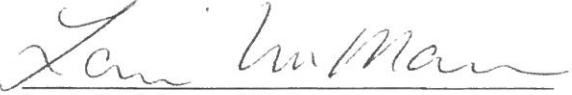
The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-36-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-36-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 STREET LIGHT FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-37-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the Street Light Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 Street Light Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$29,955 revenues and \$29,955 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Chris Barsheff

to approve Resolution 2022-37-T, adopting the 2023 Street Light Fund Budget of \$29,955 revenues and \$29,955 expenditures as appropriated.


Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Macomber, Agostinelli, Duell, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

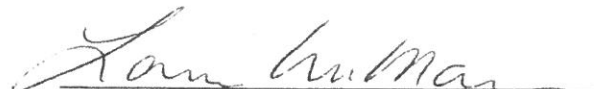
The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-37-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-37-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

2023 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FUND BUDGET - RESOLUTION 2022-38-T

WHEREAS, a hearing was held on December 13, 2022 on the Special Assessment District Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2023 for the Charter Township of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the 2023 Special Assessment District Fund Budget of the Charter Township of Garfield of \$65,000 revenues and \$65,000 expenditures be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Molly Agostinelli

to approve Resolution 2022-38-T, adopting the 2023 Special Assessment District Fund Budget of \$65,000 revenues and \$65,000 expenditures as appropriated.

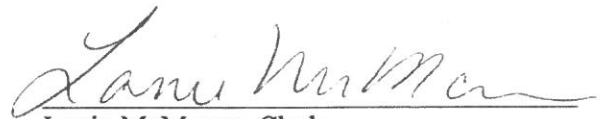
Roll call vote:

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Duell, Macomber, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

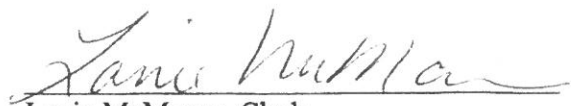
The Chairman declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-38-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-38-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

12-14-2022
Date


Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION #2022-39-T

RESOLUTION ADOPTING TOWNSHIP CLERK'S SALARY

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), the salary of the officers composing the Township Board shall be determined by the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Garfield Board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Township Clerk is warranted in consideration of the increase in the cost of living since Township Board Members salaries were last adjusted; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective as of January 1, 2023, the salary of the office of Township Clerk shall be as follows: \$90,610.39.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Steve Duell

Ayes: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Barsheff, McManus, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and Excused: None

RESOLUTION 2022-39-T DECLARED ADOPTED.

By:



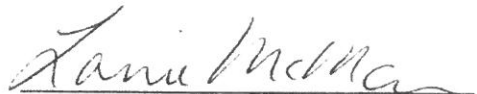
Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

CERTIFICATE

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

Dated:

12-14-2022



Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

RESOLUTION #2022-40-T

RESOLUTION ADOPTING TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S SALARY

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), the salary of the officers composing the Township Board shall be determined by the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Garfield Board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Township Treasurer is warranted in consideration of the increase in the cost of living since Township Board Members salaries were last adjusted; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective as of January 1, 2023, the salary of the office of Township Treasurer shall be as follows: \$90,610.39.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

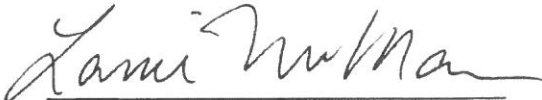
Supported: Chris Barsheff

Ayes: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Macomber, Agostinelli, Duell, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and Excused: None

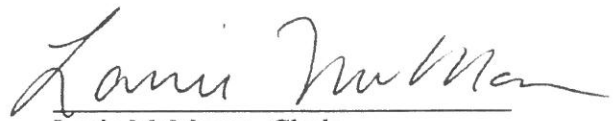
RESOLUTION 2022-40-T DECLARED ADOPTED.

By: 
Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

CERTIFICATE

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

Dated: 12-14-2022


Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION #2022-41-T

RESOLUTION ADOPTING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR'S SALARY

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), the salary of the officers composing the Township Board shall be determined by the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Garfield Board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Township Supervisor is warranted in consideration of the increase in the cost of living since Township Board Members salaries were last adjusted; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective as of January 1, 2023, the salary of the office of Township Supervisor shall be as follows: \$90,610.39.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Lanie McManus

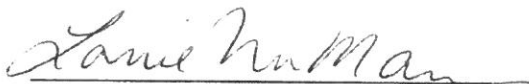
Ayes: Schmuckal, McManus, Macomber, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Duell, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and Excused: None

RESOLUTION 2022-41-T DECLARED ADOPTED.

By:



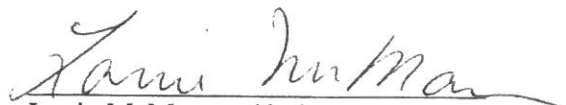
Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

CERTIFICATE

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Dated:

12-14-2022



Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

RESOLUTION #2022-42-T

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL EXEMPTION OPTION AS SET FORTH
IN 2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE
CONTRIBUTION ACT**

WHEREAS, 2011 Public Act 152 (the "Act") was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act;

WHEREAS, the three options are as follows:

- 1) Section 3 – "Hard Caps" Option – limits a public employer's total annual health care costs for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
- 2) Section 4 – "80%/20%" Option – limits a public employer's share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the governing body;
- 3) Section 8 – "Exemption" Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by an annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Garfield Board of Trustees has decided to adopt the annual Exemption Option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Garfield elects to comply with the requirements of 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, by adopting the annual Exemption Option for the medical benefit plan coverage year January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

Supported: Molly Agostinelli


Ayes: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, McManus, Duell, Macomber, Barsheff, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and Excused: None

RESOLUTION 2022-42-T DECLARED ADOPTED.

By:

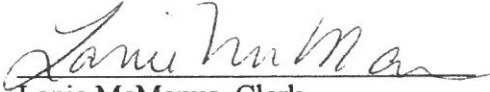


Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

CERTIFICATE

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution 2022-42-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

Dated: 12-14-2022


Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BUDGET

RESOLUTION #2022-43-T

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, THAT budget amendment to increase line item 101-747-880.003 Community Promotions in General Fund (101) by \$5,000 and take it from General Fund (101) line item 101-000-695.100 be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

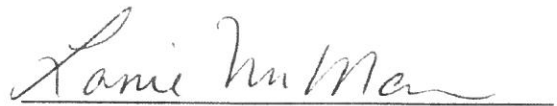
Supported: Steve Duell

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Macomber, McManus, Barsheff, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

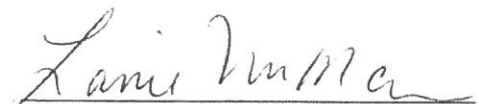
The Chairman, Chuck Korn, declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-43-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.



Lanie McManus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, certify the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-43-T which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.



Lanie McManus, Clerk

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BUDGET

RESOLUTION #2022-44-T

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, THAT budget amendment to increase line item 101-900-970.002 Capital Outlay-Township Hall in General Fund (101) by \$10,000 and take it from General Fund (101) line item 101-000-695.100 be approved.

Moved: Denise Schmuckal

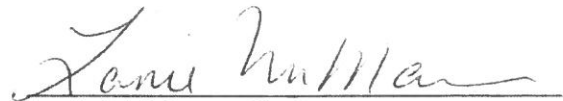
Supported: Steve Duell

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Macomber, McManus, Barsheff, Korn

Nays: None

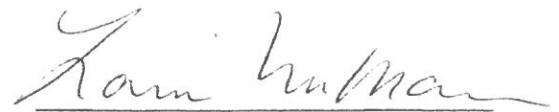
Absent and excused: None

The Chairman, Chuck Korn, declared the motion carried and Resolution 2022-44-T adopted this 13th day of December, 2022.


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Lanie McManus, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION 2022-45-T

RESOLUTION ADOPTING TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S SALARY

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), the salary of the officers composing the Township Board shall be determined by the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Garfield Board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Trustee is warranted in consideration of the increase in the cost of living since Township Board Trustees salaries were last adjusted; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective as of January 1, 2023, the salary of the office of Trustee shall be as follows:

\$400.00 per month with an additional \$250.00 per Town Board Meeting and \$125.00 for assigned meetings, including Personnel, Planning Commission, Joint Recreational Authority, Fire Board, Parks and Recreation Commission, Special Board Meetings, Study Sessions and Zoning Board of Appeals Meetings. Trustees attending educational, informational non decision making meetings for the benefit of the Township will receive \$50.00. \$100.00 per day for training or classes needed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution supersedes Resolution 2021-49-T.

Moved: Lanie McManus

Supported: Chris Barsheff

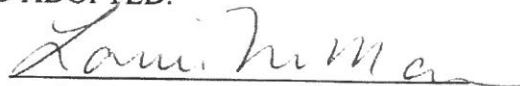
Ayes: McManus, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Duell, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

Absent and Excused: None

RESOLUTION 2022-45-T DECLARED ADOPTED.

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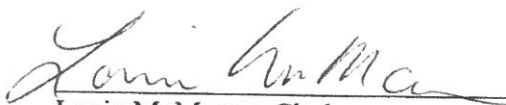


Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield

CERTIFICATE

I, Lanie McManus, Clerk of the Charter Township of Garfield, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution which was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Garfield on the 13th day of December, 2022.

Dated: 12-14-2022



Lanie McManus, Clerk
Charter Township of Garfield