

proposed MINUTES for February 20, 2025 Akron Township Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Linzner, Jamie Schuette, Katie Sattelberg, Deana Jacoby, Carrie Hines

Absent:

Zoning:

Sexton: Adam Foster

Guest: John Goodchild

The meeting was opened by Steve with the pledge of allegiance.

- The minutes from January 16, 2025 were presented and approved.
- The treasurer’s report was presented for **Akron Township**. Motion by Carrie supported by Katie to approve. vote: YAY: 5 NAY: NONE Motion carried. Balances are:

101-002 · FCU-General Checking Acct. - Other	\$3,777.81
101-60 -FCU- Regular Savings	\$5.44
101-80- MI CLASS- General Funds	\$1,517,791.11
101-81 MI Class- Road & Asphalt	\$828,557.08
101-82 MI Class Emergency Funds	\$584,989.76
101-83 MI CLASS- ARPA Funds	\$34,299.09
101-84 MI CLASS- Garbage Funds	\$121,767.78
101-85 MI CLASS Demorest Cemetery	\$14,875.74
101-86 MI CLASS Hickory Island Cemetery	\$3,245.15
101-87 MI CLASS Bay Park #1	\$5,077.11
101-88 MI CLASS Cenzer #1	\$1,328.12
101-89 MI CLASS Miller Rd#2/Fish Pt	\$1,607.06
101-90 MI CLASS Sunset Bay #1	\$4,642.83
Tax Account	\$1,015.76
Total	\$3,122,979.84

- Deana presented the financial report for **Akron Twp Water**. Balance are:

Checking: FCU general account	\$7,079.03
MI CLASS- Maintenance Acct	\$22,172.17
MI CLASS- General Account	163,546.81
Cash- Bay County	42,522.00*
Total of Accounts	\$235,320.01

*Bay County is a preliminary report

- **Motion by** Steve to approve fund as presented by Deana to approve this month’s water report. Supported by Carrie vote: YAY: 5 NAY: NONE **Motion carried.**

❖ *Township payable report.* Payable totaling \$32,116.46 and payroll totaling \$11,517.12 was presented by Jamie to be paid. Motion by Steve to approve payable and payroll supported by Katie. vote: YAY: 5 NAY: 0 **Motion carried.**

❖ *Water Payable* No bills were presented this month.

Board Report:

- Board received a quote for Wilkinson Solutions for \$21,570 for two passes on gravel roads for 2025 season. Motion by Schuette to approve quote and pay Wilkinson Solutions. Supported by Hines. Motion carried. Yays:5 Nays: 0
- Resolution 2025-2 was presented Akron Township Board Resolution to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test Resolution. Motion by Schuette to adopt resolution. Supported by Jacoby. Roll Call YAY: Hines, Jacoby, Linzner, Sattelberg, Schuette NAYS: None Motion Carried.
- Board review 25-26 budget.

Adjourned 10:13 PM Respectfully submitted, Jamie Schuette, Akron Township Clerk

**2025 Akron Township Board Resolution to
Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test
Resolution 2025-2**

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act, MCL 211.7u, states that 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, a township board is required by MCL 211.7u to adopt guidelines for the poverty exemption;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, pursuant to MCL 211.7u, that Akron Township, Tuscola County, adopts the following guidelines for the supervisor and board of review to implement.

The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household.

To be eligible for exemption under this section, a person must do all of the following on an annual basis

- 1) Own and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested. The person shall affirm this ownership and occupancy status in writing by filing a form prescribed by the state tax commission with the local assessing unit.
- 2) File a claim with the board of review on a form prescribed by the state tax commission and provided by the local assessing unit, accompanied by 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. 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, and an affidavit in a form prescribed by the state tax commission may be accepted in place of the federal or state income tax return.
- 3) Produce a valid driver license or other form of identification if requested by the supervisor or board of review.
- 4) Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested if required by the supervisor or board of review.
- 5) Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Office of Management and Budget.
- 6) Meet additional eligibility requirements as determined by the township board, including \$15,000 asset value level/amount.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the board of review shall follow the above-stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Jamie Schuette and supported by Deana Jacoby Board Member.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Hines, Jacoby Linzner, Sattelberg, Schuette Nay: none Absent: None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.



Akron Township Clerk

I, Jamie Schuette, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Akron Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the township board of said township at the regular meeting of the said board held on February 20, 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present by a roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that said the resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

Jamie Schuette

Clerk