

BIG PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP
NEWAYGO COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION NO 2024-005

WHEREAS: the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions is within the purview of the Township Board; and

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 Public Act 390, 1994 (MCL211.7u); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to PA 390, 1994 Big Prairie Township, Newaygo 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, 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, 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.
- 3) Produce a valid driver's license or other form of identification if requested.
- 4) Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested if requested.
- 5) Meet the federal poverty income standards as defined and determined annually by the United States Office of Management and Budget. NOTE: If you plan to adopt guidelines other than those stated, the alternative guidelines adopted by your unit cannot provide income eligibility requirements less than the federal guidelines.
- 6) The application for an exemption shall be filed after January 1, but before the day prior to the last day of Board of Review.
- 7) Any additional eligibility requirements as determined by the Township Board which is as asset level of \$10,000.00 excluding home and one vehicle.

NOW, THERE, IT BE RE SOLVED That the Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and Federal And State guidelines in granting or denying an exemption.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board member Wright and seconded by Board member Scott.

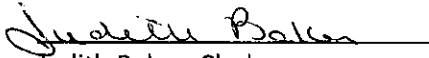
Upon Roll Call Vote, the following voted "Aye" or "Nay"

Aye: 5

Nay -0-

Absent None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.


Judith Baker, Clerk

I, Judith Baker, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Big Prairie Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Big Prairie Township Board of said Township at a regular meeting of said Board held on, Tuesday AUGUST 13 2024 at which meeting a quorum was present by a roll call vote of said members as herein before set forth, that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.


Judith Baker, Clerk