COVERT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL BOARD MEETING Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Covert Township Hall Via Video Conference

PURPOSE: Plante Moran CPA/Partner, Brian Camiller to present the Covert Township Financial Forecast Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 through 2026 as prepared.

The Special Meeting of the Covert Township Board was brought to order by Supervisor Palgen at 6:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Supervisor Palgen.

Members Present: D. Cook, D. Palgen, W. Pritchard, L. Taylor Members Absent: K. Harrington

Public Comment

None

New Business

Brian Camiller and Michelle Lewis of Plante Moran presented the forecasted financial report and explained some of the assumptions provided by Township management. This included a response to the closure of Palisades Nuclear Power Plant, capital projects, not taking on any additional debt, and maintaining personnel.

The report is still in review and some questions need to be answered. The Township needs to determine how long the water bond millage will last and whether we use those funds for repairs and maintenance. Rates will need to be studied annually to keep up with rising costs.

L. Taylor asked how we can use this information and what we can do to have a balanced budget into the next five years. Mr. Camiller explained that we should monitor progress and revisit the forecast at least two times a year. The Township also has the option to enact a Public Safety Special Assessment or put a new or increased millage to a vote. Opportunities to save should be taken from the Township's biggest expenses, such as health care. The Township is also in a good financial situation to loan money to itself as needed.

Motion by L. Taylor to adjourn at 6:35 PM

Next Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Daywi Cook, Covert Township Clerk