Welcome

to a meeting of the

Charter Township of Redford

In preparing the information provided in this pamphlet it has been our goal to open avenues of access to the general public. Should you have further questions regarding your local government, please contact my office and we will be happy to assist you.

Garth J. Christie, MMC
Township Clerk

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A meeting for consideration of Township Business

If you are attending a Board meeting for the first time, the following information will be helpful:

- **Meetings are called to order and adjourned by the Supervisor.**
- **AT REGULAR MEETINGS, PLEASE STAND FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND THE INVOCATION.**
- **At Regular Meetings (see schedule), all agenda items consist of discussion and a vote. Board members are provided extensive information on each item under consideration in advance of the meeting.**
- **The Board is happy to receive public comment and respects the rights of citizens to participate in the legislative process. For this reason, a "Citizen's Comment" time (3 minutes each) is provided for residents following the "Roll Call".**
- **If you wish to address the board on any issue not on the agenda please fill out a Citizen Comment form and hand it to the Supervisor.**
- **WHEN SPEAKING TO THE BOARD ON ANY ISSUE, PLEASE STAND AND GIVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.**

Agendas

The agenda contains a list of items to be discussed by the Board of Trustees. Agendas are available in the Clerk's Office late Thursday before each meeting and posted on the bulletin board at TownHall, the government access channels and the web site (www.redfordtwp.com). At regular meetings, copies of agendas are available at the Reception counter.

The Board observes the Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976) and Robert's Rules of Order.

Citizen Participation

The Board appoints residents to serve on various commissions and committees, such as the Planning Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Board of Review, as well as other task force committees from time to time. If you are interested in serving, please contact the Clerk's Office.

Public Hearings

Public Hearings are scheduled near the beginning of the meeting. The scheduling of public hearings is advertised in the *Redford Observer and Eccentric.*

If a number of people are present to speak for or against the same matter, the Board asks the group to choose a spokesperson(s) to represent them and voice their concerns. The spokesperson may ask the members of the group to stand and be recognized. Once comments become redundant, the Supervisor may close the discussion.

ALL PUBLIC COMMENTS SHOULD BE FRAMED TO PROVIDE A POINT OF VIEW, GAIN INFORMATION, SHARE A CRITICISM, OR EXPRESS A CONCERN. CITIZENS ARE REQUESTED TO BE COURTEOUS AND TO REFRAIN FROM PERSONAL ATTACKS ON BOARD MEMBERS, TOWNSHIP STAFF, OR OTHER MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE.

The Board of Trustees holds Public Hearings for:

Consideration of special assessment districts for sewer and water projects.

Consideration of the annual Township budgets and establishment of the yearly tax levy.

The Planning Commission holds public hearings on requests to rezone properties or amend the map or text of the Zoning Ordinance.

The Zoning Board of Appeals holds public hearings on variance requests and interpretations of the Zoning Ordinance.

People often come to Board meetings expecting to present their particular problem and get an immediate answer. Our experience has shown that many of these problems could have been solved much faster if they had been discussed with the Township Supervisor, prior to the meeting.

If the problem hasn't been resolved after discussing it with the Supervisor, you should address the Board at a regular meeting.

Board of Trustees

Supervisor	Tracey Schultz Kobylarz
Clerk	Garth J. Christie
Treasurer	Lily Cavanagh
Trustees	Jay Johnson
	Patricia Kennedy
	Pat McRae
	Michael Sullivan
Youth Trustee	

Regular Meeting dates for 2013

January 8 & 22
February 12 & 26
March 12 & 26
April 9 & 23
May 14 & 28
June 11 & 25
July 9 & 23
August 13
September 10 & 24
October 8 & 22
November 12 & 26
December 10

Any changes in the meeting schedule are posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall, Brighthouse Cable #8, AT&T Uverse #99, WOW #10, the website www.redfordtwp.com and Facebook.

Most meetings are held at the Town Hall, 15145 Beech Daly Road, Redford, MI 48239 or the Public Service Building, 12200 Beech Daly Road, or the Community Center, 12121 Hemingway, Redford, MI 48239. Locations will be posted.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION. ALL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND CITIZENS ARE URGED TO ATTEND!