SCIO TOWNSHIP WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN RES #2024-22

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT COORDINATOR

September 10, 2024

At a Regular Meeting of the Township Board of Scio Township, Washtenaw County Michigan, held at Scio Township Hall on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 7:00pm.

Members Present: Hathaway, Flintoft, Kerry, Knol, Reiser

Members Absent: Palmer, Brazeau

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Reiser and supported by Flintoft.

WHEREAS, the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq., provides for public access to certain public records of public bodies and prescribes the powers and duties of certain public officers and public bodies; and

WHEREAS, it is the public policy of this state that all persons, except those persons incarcerated in state or local correctional facilities, are entitled to full and complete information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts of those who represent them as public officials and public employees, and that the people shall be informed so that they may fully participate in the democratic process; and

WHEREAS, section 6 of the Act requires that a township shall designate an individual as the public body's Freedom of Information Act Coordinator, who shall be responsible for accepting and processing requests for the township's public records, and for approving a denial under section 5 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk served successfully as FOIA Coordinator prior to the Board's designation of the Manager as FOIA Coordinator via Resolutions 2022-05 (February 22, 2022) and 2023-05 (January 10, 2023); and,

WHEREAS, the current Township Manager is resigning effective September 15, 2024, and the Clerk is able and willing to serve as FOIA Coordinator;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that effective September 16, 2024, the Scio Township Board designates the Clerk to serve as the Township FOIA Coordinator, and that they may designate other Township staff to act on their behalf to accept and process written requests for the Township's public records and approve denials; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Scio Township Board continues its designation of the Supervisor as the head of the public body for the purposes of receiving FOIA appeals; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that any resolution in conflict with this resolution is repealed, but only to the extent to give this Resolution full force and effect.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Flintoft, Kerry, Knol, Reiser

NAYS: Hathaway

ABSENT: Palmer, Brazeau

ABSTAIN: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Jessica M. Flintoft, Scio Township Clerk

DATED: September 0, 2024

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessica M. Flintoft, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of Scio Township, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting held on September 10, 2024 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Jessica M. Flintoft, Clerk Scio Township

DATED: September 10, 2024