

Grant Township Board Resolution Regarding Poverty Appeals

Whereas: P.A. 390 of 1994, which amended Section 7u of Act 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, as amended by Act 313 of the public Acts of 1993, being Section 211.7u of the Michigan Compiled Laws, requires the governing body of the assessing unit to determine and make available to the public the policy and guidelines for the granting of Poverty Exemptions under this section; therefore be it.

Resolved: To be eligible for a Poverty Exemption in the Township of Grant, a person must be the owner and must occupy the property as a Principal Residence, as defined, for which the exemption is requested; file a completed and notarized application; file copies of Federal and State Income Tax returns for all persons residing in the Principal Residence, including Property Tax Credit forms and/or Statement of benefits Paid from Michigan Department of Social Services or Social Security Administration; meet Federal Poverty income standards: be it further.

Resolved: The applicant must have an annual taxable, non-taxable, and or dividend income less than \$3,000; be it further.

Resolved: The applicant's asset level, excluding the principal residence, may not exceed \$50,000; be it further.

Resolved: Applicant may not have ownership interest in any real estate other than the principal residence; be it further.

Resolved: A Property Exemption may be granted for only one year at a time; be it further.

Resolved: The Board of Review shall request identification of the applicant and/or proof of ownership of the Principal Residence under consideration for Poverty Exemption; be it further.

Resolved: The Board of Review may request from the applicant any supporting documents which may be utilized in determining a Poverty Exemption request; be it further.

Resolved: The Board of Review shall administer an oath wherein the applicant testifies as to the accuracy of the information provided; be it further.

Resolved: The Board of Review may deviate from the established policy and guidelines only for substantial and compelling reasons. The applicant will be notified in writing, the reasons for deviating from the policy and guidelines for poverty exemption; be it further.

Resolved: That to conform with the provisions of P.A. 390 of 1994, this resolution is hereby given immediate effect.

Resolution adopted by Grant Township Board April 9, 2007.