

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH POLICY AND GUIDELINES FOR USE BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW FOR GRANTING
POVERTY EXEMPTIONS FOR GREENDALE TOWNSHIP, MIDLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Resolution #2021-0209-5

WHEREAS, Act 390 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1994 (MCL 211.7u) requires the governing body of the local assessment unit to determine the policy and guidelines for granting poverty exemptions; and

WHEREAS, said Act, as implemented by the State Tax Commission (STC), imposes requirements of and limitations to any policy and guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The Greendale Township Board of Trustees desires to comply with said Act and said State Tax Commission; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following policy and guidelines are hereby adopted and shall be followed by the Greendale Township Board of Review (BOR) in granting any poverty exemptions.

1. The previously adopted Policy and Guidelines is replaced by this Policy and Guidelines.
2. To be eligible, an applicant shall do all of the following each year of application:
 - a. Be the owner of and occupy as a homestead the property for which an exemption is requested.
 - b. File a claim with the Supervisor or BOR on a form provided by the Supervisor.
 - c. If requested by the Supervisor or BOR, provide copies of federal and state income tax returns for the preceding year.
 - d. Produce a valid driver's license or other form of identification if requested.
 - e. Produce a deed, land contract or other evidence of ownership of the property for which the exemption is requested, if required by the Supervisor or BOR.
3. The total household annual income from all sources shall not exceed the Federal Poverty income standards as published annually by the State Tax Commission.
4. The application for exemption shall be filed after January 1 and before the day prior to the last day of the BOR hearings in the year application is being made.
5. The BOR shall not consider the True Cash Value of the Homestead as an asset.
6. The BOR shall not grant an exemption if the additional assets exceed 50,000.00.
7. The BOR may grant partial exemptions as allowed by the STC.

Motion: Juanita Seckinger

Second: Ruth L Knapp

Voting Yea: Seckinger, Knapp, Knopp, LeViere and Schumacher

Voting No: none

Absent: none

Date: February 9, 2021

I, Ruth L Knapp, Clerk, do hereby certify that the Greendale Township Board of Trustees adopted the foregoing Resolution at a Regular meeting held on the 9th day of February, 2021.

R James LeViere, Supervisor

Ruth L Knapp, Clerk