# FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP SPECIAL BOARD MEETING JULY 3, 2024 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL

Called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Supervisor, S. Nelson, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: S. Nelson, D. Brown, J. Church and A. Wagner

Members absent: R. Valentine

## 4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

#### 5. AGENDA

Motion, J. Church, supported by a. Wagner, CARRIED to approve the agenda.

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discuss and gather information concerning Fire Department funds.

Fire Chief Brian Nelson requested a closed session.

Short discussion took place.

Motion, J. Church, supported by A. Wagner, CARRIED to deny the request to go into closed session.

A roll call was taken:

AYES: J. Church, A. Wagner, D. Brown and S. Nelson. NAYS: None

ABSENT: R. Valentine

Fire Chief informed the Board that there is money missing from the Fund raising account held by the Fire Department.

After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made to table until the July 8, 2024 meeting.

Motion, J. Church, supported by D. Brown to table until July 8, 2024.

# 15. PUBLIC COMMENT.

Joe Kaplan

Christine Williams

Russ Nelson

All expressed support for our Fire Department.

### 16. BOARD COMMENT.

- D. Brown: This is an emotional time for all of us, and we need to stick together and not point fingers.
- B. Nelson wants to be clear, he takes full responsibility, this is a Fire Department issue and that our Township Board, Treasurer and Clerk had absolutely no responsibility in it.
- J. Church expressed her respect for Chief Nelson and his family.
- S. Nelson appreciates R. Nelson's generous offer to help the fire department.

#### 17. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion, A. Wager, supported by J. Church CARRIED to adjourn at 7:07 pm

Minutes approved by:

Debbi R. Brown, Township Clerk	Date