

**VEVAY TOWNSHIP
INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN
POVERTY GUIDELINES RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION #23-17**

WHEREAS, the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions is within the purview of the township board; and

WHEREAS, the homestead of persons who, in the judgment of the supervisor and board of review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation under (MCL 211.7u) as amended by Public Act 191, 2023 and

WHEREAS, pursuant to under (MCL 211.7u) as amended by Public Act 191, 2023 Vevay Township, Ingham County adopts the following guidelines for the Board of Review to Implement. The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year;

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

- 1) Be a owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 2) File a claim with the Board of Review, accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the residence, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or current year.
- 3) Produce valid drivers' license or other form of identification if requested.
- 4) Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested if requested.
- 5) Meet the federal poverty income standards as defined and determined annually by the United States Office of Management and Budget.
- 6) Meet the Township guidelines for asset level for all persons residing in the residence. The guideline for assets is no more than 60 % of the current federal poverty guidelines established each year by the office of the management and budget for size of the family unit, but in no case to exceed \$10,000.00. Some assets would be exempt; they would include the residence and one automobile. In special circumstances such as two residents working in separate locations, two automobiles could be exempt at the discretion of the Supervisor or the Board of Review.
- 7) The application for the exemption shall be filed after January 1, but before the day prior to the last day of Board of Review.
- 8) The Board of Review shall follow the policy and guidelines of the local assessing unit in granting or denying as exemption under the eligibility requirements, the Board of Review shall grant the exemption in whole or in part, as follows:

- (a) A full exemption equal to a 100% reduction in taxable value for the tax year in which the exemption is granted.
- (b) A partial exemption equal to 75%, 50% or 25% reduction in taxable value for the tax year in which the exemption is granted.
- 9) A person who files a claim for a poverty exemption is not prohibited from also appealing the assessment on the property for which that claim is made before the Board of Review in the same year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED that the Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Lewis and supported by Board Member Lacasse.


Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

AYES: Lewis, Lazet, Kean, McNeilly, & Lacasse

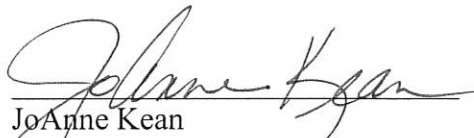
NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.



John Lazet
Vevay Township Supervisor



JoAnne Kean
Vevay Township Clerk

I, JoAnne Kean, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Vevay Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the township board of said township at the regular meeting of said board held on December 13, 2023, at which meeting a quorum was present by roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.



JoAnne Kean, Clerk
Township of Vevay