

**Special Meeting -Public Hearing
Richfield Township Board
1410 N Saint Helen Rd. Saint Helen MI 48656
April 9, 2024**

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm with Wlosinski, Kary, Simmons, Scott present. Hidey excused.

Motion by Kary, 2nd by Scott to suspend Special Meeting and go into Public Hearing at 5:35. Carried

Presentation by Tula Alexander on USDA Community Facility Grant and the benefit to the community.

Examples included:

Need for fresh produce ex Rose City Greenhouse pop up vegetable tents sold out every week (Fridays)

Seniors unable to travel need fresh produce.

Poverty area and many unable to travel for fresh produce.

ADA compliant so all can participate.

Raised bed gardens are open to all.

Apple Orchard is open to all.

Campground nearby with walking trail to Garden Pathways Park.

Along Iron Belle Trail.

Grant for \$33,500 for engineering already received and plans drawn.

Shipo report noted that no issues were found.

People in attendance also viewed the large table top sized site plans/blueprints of the proposed farmers market project.

Other comments included

Appreciation

Much needed in area

Shopped every Friday when open

Amazing opportunity for town.

Motion by Wlosinski, 2nd by Kary to return to Special Meeting at 5:50. Carried.

No additional public comment.

Motion by Wlosinski, 2nd by Kary to adjourn at 5:52. Carried.