

**RESOLUTION CONCERNING TOWNSHIP POLICIES ADDRESSING
NOVEL CORONA VIRUS**

Whereas: On March 6, 2020, the Governor of Indiana, Eric Holcomb, declared a Public Health Emergency does exist; and,

Whereas: The Declaration recognizes the presence of the Novel Corona Virus; and,

Whereas: This recognition authorizes Indiana Governmental units to take actions designed to lessen the threat of the contagion for their employees and those who utilize the public services offered by that Unit; and,

Whereas: Local Public Health jurisdictions may with the concurrence of the Indiana State Board of Health seek or order quarantines of infectious individuals, or limit movements in public spaces by the citizens of that jurisdiction; and,

Whereas: People so restricted may find themselves in need of food, medicines or other necessities of life as defined by Ind. Code § 12-7-2-20.5; and,

Whereas: Under normal circumstances those affected people might seek emergency assistance from the Township of their residence; and,

Therefore be it resolved: That until the declared Public Health Emergency is ended by Executive Order of the Governor, the Trustee or his or her designated deputy may modify the Application For Emergency Assistance (ISBOA form TA1) intake procedures to reflect the Governor's concerns for lessening the threat of contagion to all parties.

The Trustee or his or her designated deputy may assist the applicant by accepting the information required of the application by telephone or digital methods. Also, the Trustee may sign the Application (TA1) in lieu of having an original signature of the digital or telephone applicant. Then the Trustee and their Case Investigator(s) may process an application so signed by the Trustee by normal procedures and respond to the applicant in writing (TA1A) regarding their decision within the lawful time frame for such.

That after reaching the lawful conclusion and disposition of the Application, if necessary the Trustee may purchase by Township voucher (SBOA Form # TA 2) the requested services or goods and thereupon deliver those goods to the client in an expeditious manner to relieve the stated needs of the Applicant.

This authority shall remain in force until revoked either by the Township Board or the Declaration by the Governor that the Public Health Emergency has expired.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2020.

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ATTEST:

, Trustee