

Bennington Township
Shiawassee County, Michigan

Township Investment and Depository Designation Resolution

WHEREAS, the Board of Bennington Township, Shiawassee County, in exercising its fiduciary responsibilities desires to safeguard the funds of the Township that may be invested from time to time, and

WHEREAS, Public Act 77 of 1989, MCL 41.77, requires that the Township Board designate the banks or depositories for the money belonging to the Township, including the time for which the deposits shall be made and all details for carrying into effect the authority given in this act, and

WHEREAS, Public Act 196 of 1997, MCL 129.91, et seq., requires Townships Boards, in consultation with the Township Treasurer, to adopt an investment policy, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this policy is applicable to all public funds belonging to Bennington Township and in the custody of the Township Treasurer.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board approves the following financial institutions as depositories of township funds:

1. Chemical Bank, 100 E. Main St., Owosso, MI 48867
2. Fifth Third Bank, 123 N. Washington St., Owosso, MI 48867
3. FirstMerit Bank, 1345 N. Shiawassee St., Owosso, MI 48867
4. Huntington Bank, 2591 E. M21, Corunna, MI 48817
5. Citizens Bank, 200 E. Main St., Owosso, MI 48867
6. PNC Bank, 150 S Main St., Perry, MI 48872
7. Michigan State University Federal Credit Union, 3777 West Rd. East Lansing, MI 48823
8. SageLink Credit Union, 311 N Saginaw St., Durand, MI 48429
9. Shiawassee Community Credit Union, 898 W. Corunna Ave., Corunna, MI 48817
10. Chase Bank, 101 W. Main, Vernon, MI 48476
11. Wells Fargo, 203 N. Washington St., Owosso, MI 48867
12. LAFCU, 1720 W. M21, Owosso, MI 48867
13. Security Credit Union, 1400 E. M21, Owosso, MI 48867

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Treasurer may invest Township funds in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a bank, but only if the bank, savings and loan association, or credit union meet all criteria as a depository of public funds contained in state law. The standard of prudence to be used shall be the "fiduciary" standard and shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the prior approval of the Township Board, shall be required for the Treasurer to invest in any other lawful investment instruments. The Township Board's standard of prudence shall be the "fiduciary" standard, which shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio. The Township Board may authorize the Treasurer to invest in the following:

- (a) Bonds, securities, and other obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.

Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the 2 highest classifications established by not less than 2 standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.

- (b) Repurchase agreements consisting of instruments listed in subdivision (a).

- (c) Bankers' acceptances of United States banks.

- (d) Obligations of this state or any of its political subdivisions that at the time of purchase are rated as investment grade by not less than 1 standard rating service.

- (e) Mutual funds registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, Title I of chapter 686, 54 Stat. 789, 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 to 80a-3 and 80a-4 to 80a-64, with authority to purchase only investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by a public corporation. However, a mutual fund is not disqualified as a permissible investment solely by reason of either of the following:

- (i) The purchase of securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis.

- (ii) The ability to lend portfolio securities as long as the mutual fund receives collateral at all times equal to at least 100% of the value of the securities loaned.

- (iii) The limited ability to borrow and pledge a like portion of the portfolio's assets for temporary or emergency purposes.

- (f) Obligations described in subdivisions (a) through (g) if purchased through an interlocal agreement under the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, Public Act 7 of 1967 (Ex Session), MCL 124.501, et seq.
- (g) Investment pools organized under the Surplus Funds Investment Pool Act, Public Act 367 of 1982, MCL 129.111, et seq.
- (h) The investment pools organized under the Local Government Investment Pool Act, Public Act 121 of 1985, MCL 129.141, et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That decisions and actions involving the Township's investment portfolio shall meet the following criteria:

Safety: Safety of principle is the foremost objective of Bennington Township's investment practices. Investments shall be undertaken in a manner that seeks to ensure the preservation of capital in the overall investment portfolio. The Treasurer shall minimize credit risk by investing only in the safer types of securities, pre-qualifying financial institutions, brokers/dealers, intermediaries, and advisers with whom the township will do business; and diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact on the investment portfolio resulting from losses on individual securities will be minimized.

Diversification: The investments shall be diversified by avoiding over concentration in securities from a specific issuer or business sector (excluding U.S. Treasury securities and insured certificates of deposits).

Liquidity: The investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that may be reasonably anticipated.

Return on Investment: Return on investment is of secondary importance compared to safety and liquidity objectives. Investments shall be selected to obtain a market average rate of return. The core of investments is limited to relatively low risk securities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Treasurer may elect to have certificates and other evidence of investments held by a financial institution, provided that the financial institution presents to the Township Treasurer on a quarterly basis, sufficient documentation and acknowledgment of the investment instruments held on behalf of the Township. (PA 213 of 2007 updated)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Township will comply with all applicable statutes related to public fund investments. Any provisions of this resolution in conflict with applicable statutes is void.

The foregoing Resolution was made by Jim Forsythe and supported by Cindy Garber, to adopt the foregoing resolution.

Upon roll call vote the following vote was recorded:

Lee Ash	Yes
Cindy Garber	Yes
Donna Ash	Yes
Jim Forsythe	Yes
Nancy Zdunic	Absent

The Supervisor declared the motion passed and the Resolution duly adopted.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Board held at the Bennington Township Hall on January 4, 2016, that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being 1976 PA 267; that a quorum of the Board was present and voted in favor of said Resolution; and that minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Open Meetings Act.

By: Donna Ash
Its: Clerk

Dated: January 4, 2016
Donna Ash, Township Clerk