

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
ALMENA TOWNSHIP, VAN BUREN COUNTY

ROAD IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS

TO: ALL RECORD OWNERS OF OR PARTIES IN INTEREST IN LAND IN THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS DESCRIBED BELOW:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of Almena Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, will hold public hearings at 6:30 p.m. on August 15, 2024, at the Almena Township Hall (27625 County Road 375, Paw Paw, MI 49079), to: (1) to hear objections to the petitions, the proposed improvements, the proposed estimate of costs, and the proposed special assessment districts for the road improvements as described below (each proposed special assessment district / public hearing corresponds with a subdivision and/or road specified below); and (2) review proposed special assessment rolls and hear objections thereto from certain record owners of land in the Township for improvements to private roads within the Township at an estimated cost to the special assessment districts as outlined in the plans and estimates of project costs, property owner petitions, and tentative lands to be included in the proposed special assessment districts, which are available for inspection by the public. The improvements and the special assessment districts which the cost of the improvements are to be assessed are generally described as follows and more information will be available on the Township website.

The Road Improvements: Road improvements including, but not limited to, maintenance, repair, and improvements as further specified on petitions and plans on file at the Almena Township Hall for properties: (1) along South Shore Drive; and (2) within the Walden Woods Subdivision.

Proposed Special Assessment Districts: Properties that will be benefitted by the road improvements, which include properties that can generally be described as: (1) along South Shore Drive; and (2) within the Walden Woods Subdivision (a proposed special assessment district corresponds with each subdivision / road). Specific properties within the proposed special assessment districts are available upon request to the Township and will be available at the public hearings.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that proposed special assessment rolls have been directed to be prepared and have or will immediately be on file with the Township Clerk, Sandra Rickli, 27625 County Road 375, Paw Paw, MI 49079, for public examination during ordinary business hours and at the public hearing. Other project information will also be available for inspection at the Township Hall or on the Township website. The proposed special assessment rolls would assess the cost of the improvements at rates located on the proposed special assessment rolls for each respective proposed project.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the owner or any person having an interest in property within the proposed districts may file a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days after confirmation of the special assessment roll for each respective road project. However, appearance and protest at the public hearing on the respective special assessment

roll are required in order to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or other party of interest or his or her agent may: (1) appear in person at the hearing to protest the respective special assessment; or (2) file his or her appearance or protest by letter before the close of the respective public hearing.

The Township Board shall maintain a record of parties who appear to protest at the hearings. If the hearings are terminated or adjourned for the day before a party is provided the opportunity to be heard, a party whose appearance was recorded shall be considered to have protested the special assessment in person.

Almena Township will provide auxiliary aids or services to individuals with disabilities. Persons needing such services should contact the Office of the Township Clerk by writing or calling the Clerk not less than four days before the public hearing. More information can be found on the Township website listed below.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
Sandi Rickli, Clerk
27625 County Road 375, Paw Paw, MI 49079
Phone: 269-668-6910
Web: www.almenatownship.gov

(Publish: August 1, 2024 and August 8, 2024)
(Mail: July 31, 2024)

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN)

I, Sandi Rickli, Clerk of Alpena Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, being first duly sworn, depose and state that I caused to be published, in the _____, on _____, 2024, and again on _____, 2024, a copy of the attached Notice of Public Hearings for the South Shore Drive and Walden Woods Subdivision, Road Improvement Special Assessment Districts.

Sandi Rickli, Alpena Township

Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN)

On this ___ day of _____ 2024, personally appeared Sandi Rickli, Alpena Township Clerk, to me known to be the person described and who executed the foregoing instrument.

Notary Public
State of Michigan, County of _____
My Commission Expires: _____
Acting in the County of _____

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN)

I, Sandi Rickli, Clerk of Almena Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, being first duly sworn, depose and state that I mailed, by regular first class mail, postage prepaid, on _____, 2024, a copy of the attached Notice of Public Hearings to the property owners shown on the attached mailing list for the South Shore Drive and Walden Woods Subdivision, Road Improvement Special Assessment Districts, Road Improvement Special Assessment Districts.

Sandi Rickli, Almena Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN)

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Notary Public
State of Michigan, County of _____
My Commission Expires: _____
Acting in the County of _____

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
 COUNTY OF VAN BUREN)

I, Sandi Rickli, Clerk of Almena Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, being first duly sworn, depose and state that I caused to be posted on _____, 2024, a copy of the attached Notice of Public Hearings for the South Shore Drive and Walden Woods Subdivision, Road Improvement Special Assessment Districts at the Township Hall and on the Township website.

 Sandi Rickli, Almena Township Clerk

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