**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**SHERMAN TOWNSHIP, NEWAYGO COUNTY**

**ROBINSON LAKE AQUATIC WEEDS - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

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

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Township Board of Sherman Township, Newaygo County, Michigan (“Township”), will hold a special meeting with a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on June 18, 2025 at the Sherman Township Hall (2168 S. Wisner Avenue, Fremont, MI 49412), to review the proposed special assessment roll and hear objections thereto from record owners of lands in the Township for improvements to Robinson Lake by methods including by not limited to: (1) aquatic weeds and plant control and/or eradication; and (2) other lake improvements related to aquatic weed and plant control and/or eradication such as water quality testing, algae control, and general related lake improvements and education to the public (referred to as the "Robinson Lake Improvements"), at an estimated cost to the Special Assessment District annually in the approximate amount of $30,000 per year subject to annual increases.

This hearing is generally to continue aquatic weed control on Robinson Lake and a continuation of the previously formed special assessment district. This hearing’s intent is to amend the special assessment methodology based on recommendations from the Robinson Lake SAD Committee to impose special assessments using different unit criteria than the flat unit criteria approved in 2024. The improvements and the special assessment district established by the Township Board as the district against which the cost of the improvements are to be assessed are generally described below. The assessment roll for the assessments discussed within and supporting documents are available upon request to the Township Clerk and at the Township Hall during ordinary business hours using the contact information and addresses below.

**Robinson Lake Improvements:** Continuing aquatic weeds and plant control and/or eradication; and other lake improvements related to aquatic weed and plant control and/or eradication such as water quality testing, algae control, and general related lake improvements and education to the public.

**Existing Special Assessment District:** All properties that have private legal access to Robinson Lake (front lots and backlots), generally being the special assessment district established in 2024. Periodic redeterminations of costs may be necessary for the project without a change to the special assessment district and such redeterminations may be made without further notice to record owners or parties in interest of properties.

**Proposed Approximate Annual Assessment Costs:**

* Lakefront Parcels - $350.47
* Channel Parcels - $297.90
* Lakefront Easement Parcels - $262.85
* Backlot Parcels- $70.09
* Unbuildable Wetland Parcels - $52.57
* Grace Adventures – 8 Lakefront Assessments (Increased from 6)

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that documents showing the proposed Robinson Lake Improvements, locations and estimated costs, and the proposed special assessment district are on file with the Township Clerk, Jamie Kukal, 2168 S. Wisner Avenue, Fremont, MI 49412, for public examination during ordinary business hours and at the public hearing. The special assessment proposal would assess the cost of the proposed improvements to the properties benefiting therefrom.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the owner or any person having an interest in property within the proposed district may file a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days after confirmation of the special assessment roll. However, appearance and protest at the public hearing on the 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 special assessment, or (2) file his or her appearance or protest by letter before the close of the hearing.

The Township Board shall maintain a record of parties who appear to protest at the hearing. If the hearing is 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.

Sherman 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.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD**

Jamie Kukal, Clerk

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