

**TOWNSHIP OF BIRCH RUN  
SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP HARDSHIP PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION RULES  
AND REGULATION AND APPLICATION**

**NO. 02-06**

At a Regular Meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Meeting Room on the 9<sup>TH</sup> day of July 2002, at 7 o'clock Eastern Standard Time.

**PRESENT: Earl Schlegel, Debbie Trevino, Amy Cook, Ed Magnus, Dave Stewart,  
and Joanne Strahm**

**ABSENT: Jeff Putnam**

The following resolution was made by Ed Magnus and seconded by Debbie Trevino:

WHEREAS, it is a requirement that the governing body specifically designating a hardship property tax reduction adopt a resolution based on a taxpayer's inability to pay property taxes or the taxpayer's poverty according to MCLA 211.7u. The hardship reduction is only available to residents of Birch Run Township for their homestead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That the Board of Review will objectively evaluate hardship reduction applications utilizing all available information, including statements, under oath, by applicant upon appearance before the Board of Review.
2. A taxpayer must apply for hardship reductions on an annual basis.
3. That applicants will be qualified in one of three categories, Senior Citizens, Non-Senior Citizens and Recipient of public assistance from the State of Michigan.
4. That if the Birch Run Township Board of Review denies a homestead hardship reduction or exemption, the Board of Review must provide a written decision specifying the reasons for denial. The Board must advise the property owner that they may appeal the decision to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

**YEAS: Amy Cook, Earl Schlegel, Debbie Trevino, Ed Magnus, Joanne Strahm, and Dave Stewart**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTENTIONS: Jeff Putnam**

**STATE OF MICHIGAN)  
COUNTY OF SAGINAW)**

I, the undersigned, the fully qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete

Copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Birch Run, Michigan, held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2002, the original of said meeting was given to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto fixed my official signature on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 2002.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Amy Cook".

**Amy Cook, Clerk**  
**Birch Run Township**