BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 375 CEDARCREST DRIVE DUNCANSVILLE, PA 16635

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2023

Chairman Paul Amigh II called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

Township elected officials and personnel included Chairman Paul Amigh, II; Supervisor, Brad Germaux; Supervisor, Lou Lusk; Secretary/Treasurer, Betty Robertson; Police Chief, Roger White; Road Foreman, John Reed; Assistant Secretary/Treasurer, Kami Bilek; and representing Stiffler McGraw, Eric Banks. Solicitor Patrick Fanelli, Esq., was excused following the adjournment of the 2023 Organization Meeting.

Visitors: John Castle of Castle Construction, representing Mezzy Court subdivision; Dodie Amigh.

The **2023 Annual Organization Meeting** was held at 6:00 p.m. this evening.

Public comment is welcome and invited in accordance with the Township policy and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Right-To-Know provisions and the Sunshine Act.

Supervisor Brad Germaux made a motion to approve the minutes of the Monthly Business Meeting of December 13, 2022. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

Disbursements for the month of December: payroll \$32,440.64; General Fund disbursements and payroll liabilities \$76,986.28; Liquid Fuels \$6,695.83; Local Services Tax, \$4,065.84; and ARPA Transfers, \$49,114.24.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to approve the total December disbursements in the amount of \$169,302.83. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to approve the Treasury Balance for December 2022 of \$1,743,321.46. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to approve the "Specific Service Investment Account Funds" Treasury Balance for December 2022 of \$149,655.29. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Amigh invited public comment. There was no public comment at this time.

The **Mezzy Court Subdivision Plan** as prepared by Todd Beiswenger on behalf of John Castle was discussed. John Castle was in attendance. Eric Banks explained that the Township continues

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to wait for the surveyor's response to the review letter dated December 14, 2022, specifically item numbers 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10, noting that the Stormwater Plan, item 10, is pertinent. Mr. Castle referenced Jeff Holtzinger's stormwater plan for Phase 4A, 4B, and 5 of Pleasant View, noting that Mezzy Court was part of that specific plan. Mr. Castle indicated that he would continue to work on addressing the review letter and obtaining the information requested.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to table the **Mezzy Court Subdivision plan**. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion to **table** the **Mezzy Court Subdivision plan** passed unanimously. The municipal review period will end 02/16/23.

The **Henry Subdivision/Quarella Well Placement** release of funds held in Escrow was discussed. The Township received the final bill for the placement of the well, and Eric Banks reported that he had inspected the area and he is satisfied that the well has been placed appropriately.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **release the Quarella Financial Security held in escrow** pending payment of any outstanding review fees. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Resolution No. 2023-01 to approve authorizing the **disposition of General Office fiscal records** from **2016** was presented, as outlined in the Resolution and set forth by the Municipal Records Manual.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2023-01.** Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2023-02 to approve authorizing the **disposition of Police Department records** from **2017** was presented, as outlined in the Resolution and set forth by the Municipal Records Manual.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **approve Resolution No. 2023-02.** Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2023-03 to approve submitting **Budget Modification** to **PA DCED** for **FY 2020 CDBG-CV #C000075680** as per written request on behalf of the County of Blair by Trina Illig, CDBG Grant Administrator. The resolution is to modify the approved 2020 budget to include allocating monies for a new family shelter through Family Services, Inc.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **approve Resolution No. 2023-03**. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Reid Variance Request – no new information was provided.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **Table** the **Reid Variance Request.** Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Attendees and appointment of a voting delegate to the **2023 PSATS Conference** to be held in Hershey **April 23-26, 2023,** was discussed. Supervisor Lusk stated that he would like to attend the conference this year. It was suggested that Lou be appointed as the voting delegate to the PSATS Conference for 2023. Lou agreed to the appointment.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to appoint Lou Lusk as Voting Delegate to the 2023 **PSATS Conference.** Chairman Amigh seconded the motion. The motion passed with two (2) yes votes. Supervisor Lusk abstained.

ARPA Expenditure suggestions were reviewed. The proposed ARPA donations are as follows: Blair County CAC (Center for Child Justice); Family Services Victims Services; Blair Senior Services; Home Nursing Agency, Women, Infants, and Children; and Central PA Humane Society.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$4,462.00 for Blair County Center for Child Justice. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$4,462.00 for Blair Senior Services to be used for transportation aid for Blair Township Residents. Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Lusk made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$4,462.00 for Family Services, Inc. Victim Services. Chairman Amigh seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Lusk made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$4,462.00 for Home Nursing Agency WIC Program. Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion passed with two (2) yes votes. Chairman Amigh abstained.

Supervisor Lusk made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$4,462.00 for Central PA Humane Society for stray animal and pet pickup in Blair Township. Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. Paul Gottshalls dedication to addressing Blair Townships animal needs was recognized and is greatly appreciated. The motion passed unanimously.

Informational items on the agenda include the sale of the 2004 Ford F-550 on 12/28/2022, through Municibid. The bid price of \$13,350.00 was accepted and deposited into the Capital Reserve Account. No action was needed.

Chairman Amigh called for other business. It was suggested that the remainder of the ARPA funds available would be discussed at a later date.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to adjourn the Monthly Business Meeting. Supervisor Lusk Seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed with a unanimous vote.

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Betty Robertson

Secretary