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

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2025

Vice-Chairman Brad Germaux called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

Township elected officials and personnel included Chairman Paul Amigh who participated via telephone, Supervisor, Brad Germaux; Supervisor Lou Lusk; Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek; and Police Chief Roger Peacock. Road Foreman John Reed; Engineer Eric Banks; and Solicitor Patrick Fanelli, Esq. were not present.

Visitors present were Trina Illig, Blair County CDBG Grant Coordinator and Blair Township Auditor, Jacob Wible.

Supervisor Germaux stated that public comment is welcome and invited in accordance with Township policy and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Right to Know provisions and Sunshine Act. Chairman Amigh asked that all cell phones be silenced during the meeting.

Supervisor Germaux opened public comment at this time, announcing that anyone wishing to address the Board of Supervisors on general Township issues may do so at this time. Additionally, prior to votes being taken on items shown on the agenda, public comment may also be offered following discussion by the Board of Supervisors. Public comment may be limited to three (3) minutes per Township resident. Those wishing to comment on specific items listed on the agenda are asked to defer their comments until those items are reached and discussed. For the record, it is requested each speaker stand, if able, and clearly state his/her name. No public comment was made.

Trina Illig, Blair County CDBG Grant Coordinator discussed the Fiscal Year 2025 Community Development Block Grant. She reported that Blair Township was awarded \$101,271 for Fiscal Year 2025. The Supervisors voted at the September monthly meeting to allocate \$83,046 toward the installation of residential sewer laterals for income eligible residents for the Reservoir Road Sanitary Sewer Expansion project. The remaining 18%, or \$18,225 will go to the County for administrative expenses.

After no additional discussion, Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve Resolution No. 2025-10, Submission of the FY 2025 CDBG Application.** Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **authorize a signature on the CDBG application form**, noting that the County prepared the CDBG grant application and community development plan in cooperation with the Township. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

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Chairman Amigh made a motion to approve the annual cooperative agreement between Blair Township and Blair County for the administration of the FY 2025 CDBG program. Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve Resolution No. 2025-11, Resolution on Fair Housing.** Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Germaux reported that Blair Township received \$32,812.00 in State aid for distribution to the Volunteer Fire Departments that service Blair Township. In prior years, the aid was distributed evenly between the four (4) volunteer fire departments: Duncansville, Freedom, Geeseytown, and Phoenix. Chairman Amigh asked if the Township submitted letters to the Volunteer Fire Departments asking for a record of what funds are used for. Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek stated that for the State Aid letters are not sent, but letters are sent with the December disbursement checks that come from the General Fund. Supervisor Germaux stated that each Volunteer Fire Department will receive \$8,203.00 in State Aid for 2025.

After no additional discussion, Supervisor Lusk made a motion to approve the disbursement of the 2025 Fireman's Relief Funds to the four (4) Volunteer Fire Departments serving Blair Township. Chairman Amigh seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Germaux reported that the annual Pension Relief Funds in the amount of \$106,650.70 were received from the Commonwealth of PA on September 24, 2025. The total amount due to the PA Municipal Retirement System for the 2025 Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2025 is \$132,581.00. The portion for the police department is \$57,054 and for non-uniformed employees is \$75,527. The municipal obligation must be deposited no later than thirty (30) days after receipt, which is October 24, 2025. The amount due from the Blair Township General Fund is \$25,624.57, which is \$25,002.00 more than last year. Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek reported that the amount distributed from the Commonwealth was lower than anticipated, but we were fortunate that the amount disbursed from the Commonwealth covered almost the entire obligation in 2024. Kami also reported that the PMRS distributed an additional \$42,465 to the Police retirement account and \$22,157 to the Non-Uniformed retirement account due to excess interest in 2023. This did not decrease the Township's 2025 obligation, but it was worth noting. Supervisor Germaux asked for additional discussion and there was none.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve the disbursement of the 2025 PMRS Minimum Municipal Obligation in the amount of \$132,581.00.** Supervisor Lusk seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

With no further business, Supervisor Germaux asked for a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Lusk made a motion to **adjourn the Special meeting of October 21, 2025.** Chairman Amigh seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Kami Bilek Secretary