

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

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

Chairman Paul Amigh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

Township elected officials and personnel included Chairman Paul Amigh, Supervisor, Brad Germaux; Supervisor Jacob Wible; Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek; Police Chief Roger Peacock; Road Foreman, John Reed; representing Stiffler McGraw, Eric Banks; and Solicitor Patrick Fanelli, Esq.

Visitors present were Blair Township Residents, Dodie Amigh of Brooks Mills, Ralph Galbraith of Brooks Mills, Trina Illig, County CDBG representative, and Nichole Nagle from Hollidaysburg American Legion Ambulance Association.

Chairman Amigh announced an executive session to be held at the conclusion of the public meeting to discuss a personnel issue related to the Police Department Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Chairman Amigh 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 made a motion to **approve the minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of August 11, 2026** with no additions or corrections. Chairman Amigh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Disbursements for the month of August; Payroll **\$49,353.64**; General Fund disbursements and payroll liabilities **\$60,737.27**; Liquid Fuels **\$8,406.08**; Capital Reserve **\$4,505.00**; and Local Services Tax Account, **\$1,652.00**.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **approve the total August disbursements in the amount of \$124,653.99**. Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **approve the Treasury Balance for August 2026 of \$2,255,534.26**. Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to approve the **"Specific Service Investment Account Funds" Treasury Balance for August 2026 of \$281,228.67**. Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to approve the **FNB Visa Credit Card Statement for the month of August** in the amount of **\$299.23**; and the **Wex Bank Sunoco Fleet** gas card in the amount of **\$2,776.97**. Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

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The July Financial Reports are on file at the Municipal Office for review.

Chairman Amigh opened public comment at this time and announced 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.

Brooks Mills' resident, Ralph Galbraith addressed the Board of Supervisors at this time. Mr. Galbraith once again voice concerns related to the Brooks Mill neighborhood, related to mosquito breeding and smoke-filled fires. During discussion, a point of order was called, as Mr. Galbraith's time expired. Mr. Galbraith's notes can be found at the Township Office for review upon request.

Chairman Amigh asked for additional public comment and there was none.

Scott and Carolyn Cruse of 19 Walnut Lane addressed the Board of Supervisors to request information on placing a fourteen foot (14') x seventy foot (70') manufactured dwelling on their property. The property has an existing single-family dwelling. Engineer, Eric Banks explained that two residential properties on a single property triggers a land development plan. The property owners are requesting a waiver of the requirements to submit a Subdivision and Land Development plan. Eric Banks indicated that he would not recommend a waiver of the Ordinance at this time based on concerns he has on the placement of the manufactured dwelling. He reported that Stiffler McGraw's review letter dated August 27, 2026 outlines several additional concerns. The homeowner submitted a revised plan, proposing the manufactured dwelling be relocated to the side of the property rather than the rear. After additional discussion, Supervisor Wible suggested the Waiver of Section 350-45.F(1): Parking be approved. Eric Banks recommended the land development plan be tabled pending additional information.

Supervisor Wible made a motion to **approve a Waiver of Ordinance Section 350.45.F(1): Parking**. Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried. There was no formal action on the land development plan, as a new plan had been submitted.

County CDBG Grant Coordinator, Trina Illig, discussed the Fiscal Year 2026 CDBG Grant Project Selections. She reported the amount allocated to Blair Township is \$101,980. The County of Blair will take \$18,350 for administrative costs, leaving Blair Township with **\$83,630** to allocate toward a project. Trina reported that there was no public comment from any of the advertised public meetings. In recent years, Blair Township has allocated 100% of CDBG funds toward the placement of sewer laterals for low-income households for the Reservoir Road Sewer Expansion Project. After discussion, the Board of Supervisors determined that the 2026 allocation should be used for housing rehab. There are five Blair Township families on a waiting list for housing rehab at this time. Chairman Amigh made a motion to **allocate the FY 2026 CDBG funds in the amount of \$83,630 to housing rehab**. Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Roman Musser AG Operation Land Development plan as prepared by Matthew Kadwill of NCS, Inc. was discussed. The proposed project is a poultry barn located at 10507 Charger Highway. The developer is requesting several waivers on the project. Engineer, Eric Banks reported that he has not

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had sufficient time to review the plan so there is no formal action required. Chairman Amigh suggested a public meeting prior to the Supervisor's meeting next month to answer any questions residents may have regarding the poultry barn.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **advertise for a public meeting to be held at the Blair Township Municipal Office at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 2026 prior to the Regular Monthly Meeting.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The MH Rentals, LLC Minor Subdivision plan was discussed. The property is located near Catfish Road in Blair Township. The property owner is requesting to divide the property into two parcels. The flag lot will be transferred to Mark Hott who intends to build a single-family dwelling on the lot. Engineer Eric Banks stated that there are still outstanding items from the Stiffler McGraw review letter from September 14, 2026, including revisions to the plans. He recommended tabling the plan.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **table the MH Rentals, LLC Minor Subdivision plan.** Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Jane Delozier Subdivision plan, as presented by Keller Engineers, was discussed. The property is located at 326 Edna Street, Hollidaysburg. The property owner is requesting approval to subdivide her property into two lots; One will be .625 acres and the other will be .632 acres. Eric Banks reported that there are still outstanding items from the Stiffler McGraw review letter dated August 20, 2026. He recommended tabling the plan.

Supervisor Wible made a motion to **table the Jane Delozier Subdivision plan.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek requested the Board of Supervisor approve the purchase of a skid-steer with remaining ARPA Funds designated to Stormwater Management. The skid-steer will be utilized for stormwater management. The skid-steer is to be purchased from Cleveland Brothers who is a COSTARS vendor. The approval is a formality, as the request to purchase equipment with ARPA funds was previously approved.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve the purchase of a skid-steer in the amount of \$70,972.00.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Brentwood Stormwater project was discussed. Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek reported that requests for quotes were submitted for inlets and additional materials. L.B. Water Services, Inc. The quote includes piping that was previously purchased so it will need revised.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve the bid received by L.B. Water Services, Inc. after revisions to remove the piping.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek reported that there may be enough ARPA funds remaining out of the Stormwater project allocation to purchase additional equipment. Road Foreman John Reed requested the purchase of a Skid Steer mounted brush. The cost for the brush is \$6,000. The vendor, Cleveland Brothers, is a COSTARS vendor.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve the purchase of the Skid Steer mounted brush if funds are available.** Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek reported that the 2027 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Blair Township Police Department is estimated at \$49,160.00. The obligation for the Non-Uniform staff is estimated at \$37,770.00. Kami reported that the amount is less than previous years due to the decrease in the authorization of unfunded liability (PMRS determined) for 2027. The approved MMO worksheets will be submitted to the State for review.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve the Minimum Municipal Obligation estimate for the Blair Township Police Department in the amount of \$49,160.00.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Supervisor Wible made a motion to **approve the Minimum Municipal Obligation estimate for the Non-Union employees in the amount of \$37,770.00.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek reported that the 2026 Fireman's Relief Funds were scheduled for distribution on September 16, 2026. The amount expected to be distributed to Blair Township is **\$32,140.21**. Historically, Blair Township Supervisors have voted to distribute the allocation evenly between the four (4) Volunteer Fire Departments that serve Blair Township. The distribution amount would be **\$8,035.05**. The Fireman's Relieve Fund must be distributed within sixty (60) days of receipt, or November 16, 2026.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **approve the distribution of \$32,140.21 evenly between the four (4) Volunteer Fire Departments.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Items number 11 and 12 on the agenda were skipped at this time in order for the Board of Supervisors to meet in executive session prior to formal action.

Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek reported that the Newry Borough Council had asked the Blair Township road crew for their assistance in hanging signs on the Blair Township side of Catfish Road/East Allegheny Street in Newry Borough. The road is to be narrowed to one lane due to the need for repairs on the road over the East Allegheny Street culvert in Newry Borough.

Supervisor Wible made a motion to **approve the Blair Township Road Crew to assist Newry Borough in hanging road signs.** Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

In additional discussion on Catfish Road, it was reported that the Blair County Department of Emergency Services is reopening the Blair County County-wide Hazard Mitigation plan in order to amend the plan. Newry Borough has been encouraged to participate in the Hazard Mitigation plan, as they are the only Municipality in Blair County that did not participate.

Aerial Communications submitted their 2026-2027 annual monitoring agreement quote. The quote increased over the prior year from \$500 per police cruiser to \$1,200 per cruiser. Chief Peacock stated that Aerial Communication works with Blair County emergency management and is often aware of any issues before the Police Department, so he recommended remaining with them.

Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **approve the 2026-2027 Monitoring Agreement with Aerial Communications.** Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek asked the Board of Supervisors for permission to speak with the Blair Township Water & Sewer Authority to request payment assistance for maintenance of the Blair Township Municipal Building parking lot. The Blair Township Water & Sewer Authority utilizes the Municipal Office parking lot to exit their parking lot. Additionally, the BTWSA moved their mailbox to the Municipal Office parking lot which requires additional traffic through the lot. Supervisor Wible indicated he would present it to the BTWSA board. No formal action was taken.

Under Informational Items, Blair County Trick-or-Treat night is scheduled for Thursday, October 29, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Chief Peacock would like to follow the Blair County schedule for Blair Township Trick-or-Treat night.

The Hollidaysburg Halloween Parade is scheduled for Saturday, October 31, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Secretary/Treasurer Kami Bilek reported that PennDOT has provided information on the blinking light located at the intersection of Rt. 36 and Catfish Road/Monastery Road. PennDOT reported some minor concerns with replacing the lights. Additional information is required. No formal action is necessary.

Under Other Business, homeowners on Wade Lane had submitted a request to Road Foreman, John Reed, to have a curb installed in front of their house due to stormwater concerns. John stated that the homeowners were encouraged to come to the meeting but did not show. Alternative options for stormwater mitigation were discussed. No formal action was taken.

Nichole Nagle from the Hollidaysburg American Legion Ambulance Service addressed the Board of Supervisors at this time, providing updated numbers for 2026. She reported that, as of August 31, HALAS has responded to 143 calls in Blair Township. Of those, 63 were in place of, or assisted, Duncansville Ambulance. Nichole also provided an update on programs that HALAS is currently working on or involved with. She reported that they recently purchased one new ambulance and one used ambulance, so they are back to having a full fleet.

Chairman Amigh called for any additional business. There being none, he asked for a motion to recess to executive session. Supervisor Wible made a motion to **recess the meeting to executive session**. Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was recessed at 6:46 p.m.

Chairman Amigh reconvened after executive session at 7:35 p.m. Chairman Amigh reported that during executive session, the Police Department Collective Bargaining Agreement and the Blair Township Police Chief Agreement were discussed. No decisions on those items were made at this time.

Chairman Amigh made a motion to **table the 2027-2029 Blair Township Police Department Collective Bargaining Agreement**. Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Supervisor Wible made a motion to **table the 2027-2029 Blair Township Police Chief Agreement**. Supervisor Germaux seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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With no additional business, Supervisor Germaux made a motion to **adjourn the meeting of September 15, 2026**. Supervisor Wible seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Kami Bilek
Secretary

**Meeting notes are on file for review at the Municipal Office