

BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
December 9, 2003

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was held at 7:00 P.M. on December 9, 2003 at the Township Hall and was called to order by Supervisor Lowe.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Members Fleis, excused, Tharp, Lowe, Zeits, Nowak were present. There were 17 guests in attendance along with the Township Assessor- Aaron Plowman, Zoning Administrator-Marvin Radtke and Attorney Dave Bieganowski.

LIMITED PUBLIC INPUT: Comments were heard.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits** to accept the agenda with the following change: add Randy Smith from Grand Traverse County Resource Recovery to Presentation and Reports. 4 yeas, Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/SPECIAL REPORT

County Commissioner's Report: Virginia Olds and Dick Thomas were present. They informed the board that the Law Enforcement Center is now moved into their new location and they have lots of room.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Brinks reported that Blair Township is 2nd highest in the county with 228 complaints for the month of November.

Grand Traverse County Resource Recovery Department: Randy Smith is asking the Township for a Resolution of support for Electronics Collections so that they may receive a grant to hold an electronics collection in 2004. Motion by **Nowak support by Zeits** to have the supervisor sign the application for the grant and pass a Resolution of Support for Electronics Collection. Roll Call Vote: 4, yeas, Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCES: Announcements were heard.

CONSENT CALENDAR: **Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits** to accept the Consent Calendar, to approve the following with the exception of pulling the Fire, & EMS Reports: To pay the Township General Fund vouchers #20424-2048, the Fire/Police vouchers #4915-4937, the Ambulance vouchers #6309-6391, the Trust and Agency vouchers # 1097-1100 for a grand total of \$158,271.85. The water vouchers #1101 and #1699-1714 for a grand total of \$31,028.80. To accept the Assessing, Zoning, Supervisor, Water, reports for the month of November. To accept the Treasurer report for October. To approve the Minutes of November 11, 2003 meeting of the Blair Township Board Of Trustees and the Minutes of the Special Meeting of November 25, 2003. 4 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits to accept the Fire and EMS reports. 4 yeas, Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: **Motion by Nowak** to establish fees to charge the customers who do not read their meters. No support, Motion failed. **Motion by Lowe supported by Zeits** to instruct the Treasurer to not add additional fees to the water bills that are not approved by the Township Board in advance. Roll Call Vote: Zeits, Nowak, Lowe, Tharp yeas, Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: **Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits** to table the Policy for Procedure for EMS Transports/Medical Treatment Billing and Waiver. 4 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Tharp supported by Lowe to amend Resolution Number 2001-12 Resolution to set Water Fees, with the new proposed rates. Roll Call Vote: Tharp, Lowe, Zeits, Nowak, yeas, Motion carried

Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits to do a Budget Amendment to create a Salary, FICA and Pension line in Townhall and Grounds for the Maintenance Coordinator in the amount of \$16,357. Roll Call Vote: Nowak, nay, Zeits, Lowe, Tharp, yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Nowak supported by Tharp to give workflow directions from the Water Department incorporated into the other Departments due to the change of the Water Coordinators job. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, nay, Zeits, nay, Nowak, yea, Tharp, yea. No action, Motion failed.

Motion by Nowak supported by Tharp to pay the full special assessment on Nimrod Road paving in the amount of \$3,211.93. 4 yeas, Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: Comments were heard.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Lowe supported by Tharp to adjourn at 8:29pm.

Betty A Tharp
Clerk

Joseph Lowe
Supervisor