

BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting
January 13, 2004

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was held at 7:00 P.M. on January 13, 2004 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, Tharp, Zeits, Nowak, Lowe were present. There were 28 guests in attendance along with the Township Assessor- Aaron Plowman, Zoning Administrator-Marvin Radtke and Attorney Dave Bieganowski.

LIMITED PUBLIC INPUT: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits to accept the agenda with the following change: add Letter of Resignation to Presentation and Reports, Pull item (A) under New Business, Rural Fire Replacement of Rescue Vehicles Formula, add Public Hearing to letter (E), add item (N) Transfer of Liquor License, remove items (I) Maintenance coordinator-Job Description, (J) un-metered fire protection, (K) Appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals-Mr. George Lombard, Re-appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals-Mr. Larry Fleis, and (M) naming of Thompson Drive and place these under Consent Calendar. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/SPECIAL REPORT

County Commissioner's Report: Virginia Olds and Dick Thomas were present. Talked about Farmland preservation Ordinance, and the bonds were sold for the Septage plant that will be built.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Brinks reported that Blair Township is 3rd highest in the county with 173 complaints for the month of December.

Municipal Consulting Presentation: Lee Grant and Nick Lomako from Wade Trim made a presentation on Municipal Consulting Services that could benefit Blair Township as it faces the challenges of growing pains.

Resignation Letter/ Medical Director: Motion by Lowe supported by Zeits to place Daryl Case as interim Medical Director. Roll Call Vote: Fleis, Nowak, Lowe, Zeits, Tharp 5 yeas, Motion carried. Motion by Tharp supported by Fleis to hire Dominic Foster as a consultant until the interim Medical Director feels he doesn't need his assistance anymore. 5 yeas, Motion carried. Motion by Fleis supported by Lowe to regretfully accept the resignation of the Medical Director. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCES: Announcements were heard.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion by Fleis supported by Zeits to accept the Consent Calendar with the Changes: to approve the following with the exception of pulling the Fire, EMS Reports, pull the Un-metered fire protection, the naming of Thompson Drive: To pay the Township General Fund vouchers #20488-20600, the Fire/Police vouchers #4938-4966, the Ambulance vouchers #6392-6483, the Trust and Agency

vouchers # 1101-1103 for a grand total of \$155,415.63. The water vouchers #1102 and #1715-1732 for a grand total of \$16,743.86. To accept the Assessing, Zoning, Supervisor, Water, reports for the month of December. To accept the Treasurer's report for November. To approve the Minutes of December 9, 2003 meeting of the Blair Township Board Of Trustees, to accept the Maintenance Coordinator-Job Description, to appoint George Lombard to fill the unexpired term of Robert Humphrey 8-13-05, to appoint Larry Fleis for a (3) year term to expire on 3-18-07. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Zeits supported by Tharp to accept the Fire and EMS reports, to accept the information on un-metered fire protection, and to grant the request of naming a private road "Thompson Road" in the SW 1/4 of Section 15, T26N-R11W in Blair Township. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Motion by Tharp supported by Fleis to table the policy on EMS Transports and have the attorney look into the property wording. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits to pass a resolution to authorize the Rural Division to provide rescue services within the Township. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, Fleis, Nowak, Tharp, Zeits, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Nowak supported by Lowe to pay for 3000 Newsletters for the Blair Township Complex and Library and to have future requests come before the board. Roll Call Vote: Tharp, Zeits, Lowe, Fleis, Nowak, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

Much discussion took place on an order of 10, 000 envelopes with the treasurer's name printed on them which, is against the township board motion. The board had passed a motion back in January of 2001 standardizing the envelopes. The reason being no name would be printed on the envelope so if someone was not re-elected back into office there would not be waste of taxpayer's monies to purchase new envelopes. Motion by Fleis supported by Zeits to not pay for the envelopes in the amount of \$445.00. 4 yeas, 1 nay, Motion carried.

Supervisor Lowe opened the Public Hearing on Zoning Amendment 104-96-03-03 at 8:48 pm, it was published in the Traverse City Record Eagle on January 2, 2004. Duane Sanford of 621 Autumn View Lane Traverse City Michigan asked the question of what type of development was going to take place there. Public Hearing closed at 8:50 pm. Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits to grant the request to rezone from AG to R-1 approximately 79.59 acres, Parcel #28-02-001-008-00 located at 545 Potter Road, Traverse City. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, Nowak, Fleis, Zeits, Tharp, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Nowak supported by Tharp to amend the Intergovernmental agreement for coordinated regulation of Cable Television to add Kingsley and Paradise Township and to authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to sign for the Township. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Nowak supported by Zeits to raise the cost to purchase the Blair Township Master Plan from \$25.00 to \$35.00 a copy. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Nowak supported by Zeits to place out for bids to have another well installed in the existing well field. Roll Call Vote: Tharp, Nowak, Fleis, Lowe, Zeits, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits to pass a Resolution to transfer ownership of 2003 class c Licensed business with dance-entertainment permit located at 273 S US-31 Traverse City, MI 49684, Blair Township, Grand Traverse County, from Hayes Pub, Inc. Roll Call Vote: Nowak, Zeits, Lowe, Tharp, Fleis, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: Comments were heard.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits to adjourn at 9:25 pm.

Betty A Tharp
Clerk

Joseph Lowe
Supervisor