

**BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 14, 2004**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was held at 7:00 P.M. on September 14, 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 Lowe, Fleis, Tharp, Zeits, and Nowak were present. There were 31 guests in attendance along with the Township Assessor-Aaron Plowman, Maintenance-Carl Bearinger, Deputy Clerk-Lori McGee, Medical Director-Daryl Case and Attorney-Dave Bieganowski.

**LIMITED PUBLIC INPUT:** A candidate was introduced.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Fleis supported by Tharp to accept the agenda with the following change: add under New Business item (G) naming of (2) private roads and item (H) partial payment request for the new well to the agenda. Roll Call Vote: Nowak, Fleis, Lowe, Zeits and Tharp, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**PRESENTATIONS/SPECIAL REPORT**

**County Commissioner's Report:** None

**Sheriff's Report:** Deputy Brinks reported that Blair Township had 254 complaints for the month of August 2004. This places Blair Township 2nd highest in the County.

**Blair Township Sewer Update:** Gosling Czubak updated the board on the progress of the sewer district in the commercial corridor. The mapping on 37 & 31 is on schedule and everything is going well with no delays.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCES:** Were received and heard.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** Motion by Zeits supported by Nowak to accept the Consent Calendar with change: to pull the Minutes, Supervisor's, EMS, Fire and the Treasurer's report. To approve the following: to pay the Township General Fund vouchers #21171-21284, the Fire/Police vouchers #5178-5191, and the Ambulance vouchers #6983-7155 and the Trust and Agency vouchers #1125-1131 for a grand total of \$83,477.84. The water vouchers #1111 and #1823-1834 for a grand total of \$14,440.19. To accept the Assessing, Zoning and Water reports for the month of August.. Roll Call Vote: Fleis, Zeits, Tharp, Lowe and Nowak, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Zeits supported by Fleis** to approve the Minutes of August 10, 2004 Board of Trustees. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits** to accept the treasurer's report for the month of July 2004. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits** to accept the supervisor's report for the month of August. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits** to accept the fire report for the month of August. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Nowak supported by Tharp** to accept the EMS reports for the month of August. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Motion by Tharp supported by Fleis to grant Zoning Ordinance Amendment #104-96-04-02 to Article 16, Section 16.06 Keeping of Animals, to remove the wording of item 3 (a) as recommended by the Grand Traverse County Planning Commission and Blair Township Planning Commission Boards. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, Fleis, Zeits, Nowak, Tharp, 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Zeits** to grant the request for change order # 1 for time extension of (60) days due to the demands and shortages of steel to Raymer Company and have the supervisor sign the change order. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Lowe** to pay for mileage and comp time for the deputy treasurer on Saturday 8/07/04 and Monday 8/16/04 for going to the banks from her home. 5 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Zeits** to establish a policy that prohibits any Township Employees or Officials taking monies to their home or anyplace else except to the banks. 5 years, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Fleis** that Blair Township has no interest to take over the Sewer System and operations for the Blair Business Commons Septic Systems. 5 years, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Fleis** to approve the Capitalization Policy for GASB 34. 5 years, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Zeits** to approve the naming of (2) private roads Dye Dr. and Casco Pl. located SE1/4 of Section 17, T26N-R11 W, in Blair Township within Blair Business Commons. 5 years, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Fleis** to grant partial payment of \$25,618.50. to Raymer Company for well #3. 5 years, Motion carried.

**Motion by Nowak** requesting that the Township Board sends an apology to the deputy treasurer. No support, Motion failed.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Comments were heard. Resident Gary Cox requested, that the township treasurer made phone calls on township time to do a write in candidate against the township clerk, be placed in the minutes. A question was raised on the Township General Assests, the Treasurer clearly reports the Township having liquid assets of 3.5 million dollars.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Lowe supported by Zeits to adjourn at 9:24pm.

Betty A Tharp  
Clerk

Joseph Lowe  
Supervisor