

**BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**July 12, 2005**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was held at 2:00 P.M. on July 12, 2005 at the Township Hall and was called to order by Supervisor Pahl.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Members: Lowe, Clous, Nowak, Rademaker, Fleis, Pahl and Tharp were present. There were 16 guests in attendance along with the Township Assessor- Aaron Plowman, Zoning Administrator- Marvin Radtke, Medical Director-Daryl Case and Water Department-Martin Hisem.

**LIMITED PUBLIC INPUT:** Comments were heard.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Pahl supported by Rademaker to move letters D, E, and I after letter O on the agenda. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**PRESENTATIONS/SPECIAL REPORT**

**County Commissioner's Report:** Not present.

**Sheriff's Report:** Blair Township is 3<sup>rd</sup> highest in the county with 244 complaints for the month of June.

**Sewer Report:** Supervisor Pahl announced that the easements along the Commercial District is taking longer than expected

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCES:** None

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** Motion by Rademaker supported by Fleis to accept the Consent Calendar as presented, to approve the following: to pay the Township General Fund vouchers #22135-22244, the Fire/Police vouchers #5502-5535, and the Ambulance vouchers #7947-8031, the Trust & Agency vouchers # 1156-1166, for a grand total of \$157,708.99. The water vouchers #1126 and #1944-1967 for a grand total of \$104,125.17. To accept the Assessing, Zoning, Supervisor, EMS and Fire reports for the month of June. To accept the Treasurer's report for June. To approve the Minutes for the Blair Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of June 14, 2005. Roll Call Vote: Clous, Lowe, Tharp, Pahl, Rademaker, Nowak and Fleis. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Motion by Fleis supported by Rademaker to deny the Special Use Permit requested by Floodfighters as recommended by the Blair Township Planning Commission. Rademaker, yea, it doesn't meet the standards in Section 22.04 A through G. Clous, yea, Tharp, yea, same reasons as Rademaker Fleis, yea, same reasons as Rademaker Nowak, nay, Pahl, yea, same reasons as Rademaker Lowe, yea, it was the consensus of the planning commission. 6 yeas, 1 nay, Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Motion by Lowe supported by Clous to grant the request of the naming of a private road located in Section 5, T26N-R11W in Blair Township to Watering Hole Drive. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

Mike Dillenbeck- Grand Traverse County Road Commission was not present.

Frank Riggle from Engan Tooley Doyle and Associates made a presentation on the proposed community playground equipment. Motion by Tharp supported by Clous to table the action until the Park Committee can make a recommendation to the Township Board. 6 yeas, 1 nay, Motion carried.

Grand Traverse Rural Fire-Cost Recovery Ordinance not present no action taken.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Nowak** to amended the Sexually Oriented Business Ordinance # 115 by adding Section XXV Penalties and Fines, effective 30 days after publications. Roll Call Vote: Fleis, Nowak, Rademaker, Clous, Pahl, Lowe, Tharp, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Nowak supported by Lowe** to appoint Jim Carroll as Fire Chief with pay as agreed upon quarterly. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Clous** to pass a resolution to apply to the Secretary of State for a grant to purchase voting machines and related Election Management software. Roll Call Vote: Pahl, Lowe, Clous, Nowak, Rademaker, Fleis, Tharp, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Clous** to authorize the Township Supervisor to negotiate and approve the Maintenance Agreement with Northern Office Supply. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, Nowak, Clous, Pahl, Fleis, Rademaker, Tharp, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Clous** to enter into an agreement with Gourdie Fraser preparing a five (5) year recreation plan in receiving grants, not to exceed \$4,000.00. Roll Call Vote: Rademaker abstained, Lowe, yea, Clous, yea, Nowak, nay, others should have an opportunity to do so, Pahl, yea, and this was recommended by the Park Committee. Tharp, yea, 5 yeas, 1 nay, and 1 abstained. Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Tharp** to accept the bid from Grand Traverse Refrigeration to install a new furnace and air conditioner and additional ductwork in the amount of \$8,150.00. Roll Call Vote: Nowak, Lowe, Clous, Pahl, Rademaker, Fleis, Tharp, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by Clous** to make the correction to the 2005-2006 budgeted items under Township Board 101-910 Insurance/bonds add \$122,250.00 to that line, under Supervisor the grand total is \$1.00 over and under Zoning the grand total is \$1.00 short. Roll Call Vote: Nowak, Rademaker, Fleis, Clous, Lowe, Tharp, Pahl, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Nowak supported by Rademaker** to accept the following resignations from Chris Jackson, Josh Reed and Bill Sedlacek Jr. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Lowe** to go into closed session for Union issues at 3:34 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Clous, Fleis, Lowe, Tharp, Rademaker, Nowak, Pahl. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Rademaker** to come out of closed session at 5: 15 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Pahl, Nowak, Rademaker, Tharp, Lowe, Fleis, Clous, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Rademaker** to adopt the Computer/Internet/E-Mail Policy # 2005-03 as written. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Lowe supported by Fleis** to adopt the Employee Time Clock Policy # 2005-04. 6 yeas, 1 nay, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Rademaker** to amend the Mileage Reimbursement Policy # 2005-01 by adding that the mileage reimbursement will be approved by the Township Supervisor. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Tharp** to amend the Designated Smoking Area Policy # 99-03 by changing the word Smoking to the word Tobacco. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Nowak supported by Rademaker** to approve Policy # 9 Work Schedules and Staffing for Blair Township Emergency Medical Services. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Pahl supported by Rademaker** to approve Policy # 52 Time Clock Policy for Blair Township Emergency Medical Services, changing the word quarter to three (3) months. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Rademaker** to approve Policy #12 Reporting Absences and Tardiness for Blair Township Emergency Medical Services. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Nowak supported by Fleis** to approve Policy # 53 Personal Business & Errands for Blair Township Emergency Medical Services inserting the word Township between perform and errands. 6 yeas, 1 nay – Pahl, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Rademaker** to authorize the Supervisor to negotiate with Rite-Aid to resolve the sewer easement situation. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, Tharp, Clous, Nowak, Fleis, Rademaker, Pahl, yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Fleis supported by Nowak** to delete Section C-2.04 out of the contract with Gosling Czubak. Roll Call Vote: Pahl, Fleis, Tharp, Rademaker, Clous, Lowe, Nowak, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Comments were heard congratulating Blair Township Emergency Services for winning the Softball Game at Interlochen.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Rademaker supported by Tharp to adjourn at 6:28 p.m. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

Betty A Tharp  
Clerk

Patrick Pahl  
Supervisor