Newlin Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes January 8, 2024

Call to Order: The Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 8, 2024, at the Township Garage located at 1751 Embreeville Road. Present were Supervisors Bill Kelsall (Chair), Jim Cornell (Vice-Chair), Bob Pearson and Secretary/Treasurer Gail Abel.

Announcements: No announcements.

Comments: Erica Lee asked when the results from EPA's for water sampling (for PFAS) might be available. Ms. Abel explained that EPA will report sampling results directly to affected property owners, not to the Township. Mr. Cornell noted that as of last week EPA was still awaiting the results of their residential well sampling, and suggested that EPA would probably be providing test results within the next week or two.

Minutes for Approval: Ms. Abel presented the minutes of the December 11, 2023, Board Meeting. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve those minutes was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved. Ms. Abel next presented the minutes of the January 2, 2024, Re-Organizational meeting. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve those minutes was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved. Mr. Kelsall noted that the Re-Organizational meeting had produced only a few changes – most notably, the appointment of Elizabeth Huxster and Martin Tully to the Zoning Hearing Board (replacing Delmont Bittle and James Tupitza) and the addition of Jordan Silberman to the Open Space Committee. In response to a question from Richard Mitchell, Mr. Pearson explained the general nature of the Township's annual Re-Organization meetings.

Financial Report: Ms. Abel presented the monthly Financial Report: As of December 31, 2023, the Township had \$630,553.23 on deposit, including \$293,092.15 in general and unrestricted funds. Overall, this represents a net increase of \$3,554.71 since November 30, 2023. Mr. Pearson's motion to accept the Financial Report was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Bill Payment Authorization: Ms. Abel presented a list of pending bills, invoices, and other recurring/routine payments totaling \$161,730.36 (\$124,514.47 from the General Fund Account, \$36,275 from the Fire & EMS Tax Account and \$940.89 from the State Liquid Fuel Account) and requested payment authorization. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve the requested payments was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Road Master Update: Mr. Pearson reported that selected trees on Marlboro Springs Road had been removed, in preparation for the project to widen and pave the road, now scheduled for next Spring. Mr. Pearson added that he had met with Barbara Forney and Township Engineer Jim Fritsch to discuss the replacement of the pipe that runs under Laurel Road at Station Creek within the next six months, and that he expected to remove some bamboo that was causing water to back up at 911 Laurel Road. Mr. Mitchell advised that the pipe and stone across the road from his driveway are working well but have created a dip in the road, causing mud to accumulate. Mr. Pearson undertook to look at it. Erica Lee inquired as to the status of the Davis Tract

subdivision plan. Ms. Abel advised that preliminary review of that plan may be on the agenda for the Planning Commission's January 25 meeting, but that that agenda had not yet been finalized.

Adjournment: Upon Mr. Pearson's motion, seconded by Mr. Cornell, the meeting was adjourned.

Time: 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Abel, Secretary