Newlin Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes June 13, 2022

Call to Order: The Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2022, at the Township Garage located at 1751 Embreeville Road. Present were Supervisors Bill Kelsall (Chair), Jim Cornell (Vice-Chair) and Bob Pearson, and Secretary/Treasurer Gail Abel.

Announcements: No announcements.

Comments: Barbara Forney thanked the road crew for their improvements to Beagle Road and Oak School Road, observing that "the whole crew has gone 'above and beyond' on these projects". Mr. Pearson thanked Ms. Forney for her contributions as Assistant Roadmaster and her success in acquiring the grant funding for the projects.

Ed Lewis inquired if there is any update about the Embreeville Bridge. Mr. Pearson advised that PennDOT has estimated completion early in 2023.

Erin Finnerty wanted to know who to contact about the debris, automobiles and generators from a parcel on Laurel Road. The Supervisors advised that the Township's Zoning officer is currently pursuing potential zoning violations on this parcel. She also raised concerns about a camper and several cars frequently parked on a separate Laurel Road property. Mr. Pearson responded that he knew the owner of that property and would look into the situation.

Minutes: Ms. Abel presented the minutes of the May 9, 2022, Board Meeting. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve those minutes was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Financial Report: Ms. Abel presented the monthly Financial Report: As of May 31, 2022, the Township had \$1,098,211.65 on deposit, including \$611,921.40 in general and unrestricted funds. Overall, this represents a net increase of \$157,681.92 since April 30, 2022. Mr. Pearson's motion to accept the Financial Report was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Payment Authorization and Account Transfers: Ms. Abel presented a list of pending bills, invoices and other recurring/routine payments totaling \$26,432.54 from the Truist Bank general fund and requested payment authorization. Mr. Pearson's motion to approve the requested payments was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Ms. Abel also requested authorization to transfer \$70,494.71 from the Meridian Bank Account to the Malvern Bank General Fund Savings Account. Those funds were American Rescue Plan funds received in June 2021and held in the Meridian Bank Account until completion of an audit in April 2022. Mr. Pearson's motion to authorize that transfer was seconded by Mr. Cornell and unanimously approved.

Harveys Bridge – **County Bridge** #92: Mr. Kelsall advised that Chester County is considering the reconstruction or replacement of Harveys Bridge (which is a County Bridge not a Township Bridge). He noted that the County had closed the bridge on May 26th - pending an inspection following recent use by vehicles exceeding the bridge's 8-ton weight limit - and had re-opened the bridge on June 7th after adding a one-lane restriction to the 8-ton weight limit. Mr. Pearson advised that the Board will be meeting with the County on June 21st for a work session to discuss

the bridge on June 7th after adding a one-lane restriction to the 8-ton weight limit. Mr. Pearson advised that the Board will be meeting with the County on June 21st for a work session to discuss the future of the bridge. Mr. Lewis voiced concerns that if the County puts in place a bridge with higher weight limit, some of the roads served by the bridge may not be able to handle the traffic of heavier trucks. The Board took no action on this matter.

Oak Road and Beagle Road Advertisement for Pipe Bids: This item was added to the published Agenda by unanimous vote of the Supervisors. Mr. Pearson asked the Board to authorize an advertisement for bid relating to the Oak School Road and Beagle Road projects. Mr. Cornell's motion to authorize the advertisement for bid for 60' RCP pipe for installation on Oak School Road and Beagle Road (any such bids to be opened at the July meeting) was seconded by Mr. Kelsall and unanimously approved.

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

Time: 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail Abel, Secretary