

NEWLIN TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF 2016

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A REFERENDUM
PURSUANT TO THE OPEN SPACE LANDS ACQUISITION
AND PRESERVATION ACT AS AMENDED BY ACT 153 OF
1996 (32 P.S. §5001, ET SEQ.) ON THE QUESTION OF THE
IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL TAX AT A SPECIFIC RATE
TO BE IMPOSED TO RAISE REVENUE TO RETIRE
INDEBTEDNESS INCURRED IN PURCHASING INTERESTS
IN REAL PROPERTY OR IN MAKING ACQUISITIONS OF
REAL PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF SECURING OPEN
SPACE BENEFITS.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED THIS 9TH day of
May, 2016, by the Board of Supervisors of Newlin Township as
follows:

1. As provided for The Open Space Lands Acquisition and Preservation Act, as amended by Act 153 of 1996 (32 P.S. §5001, et seq.), a referendum shall be conducted during the November 2016 general election for the registered voters of Newlin Township to vote whether they are in favor of the imposition of a property tax at the rate of 0.15 mills (\$.15 per \$1,000.00 assessed valuation) to be used by Newlin Township to raise revenue for the purpose of securing open space benefits.

2. The referendum shall be governed by the provisions of the Act of June 3, 1937 (P.L. 1333, No. 230) known as the Pennsylvania Election Code (25 P.S. §2600 et seq.).

3 The question to be placed on the ballot shall be framed in the following form: "Do you favor the imposition of an increase in the existing real property tax at the rate of 0.15 mills (\$.15 per \$1,000.00 assessed valuation) by the Township of Newlin to be used to purchase interest in real estate for purposes of securing open space benefits and for transaction fees incidental to the acquisition of open space property interests such as cost of appraisals, surveys, closing costs, title searches, legal fees, and conservation and stewardship plan preparation under and in accordance with all planning requirements of the provision of the Act and/or the Act of June 30, 1981, P.L. 128, No. 43 known as the "Agricultural Area Security Law"; and/or retiring indebtedness related to the purchase of interest of real property secured for open space benefits?"

4. The appropriate officers of the Board of Supervisors and the solicitor are authorized to take whatever actions are necessary and appropriate to carry out the purpose and intent of this Ordinance.

5. If any sentence, clause, section or part of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section or part thereof had not been included herein.

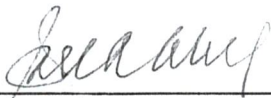
6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

7. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days from the date hereof.

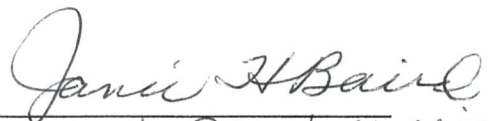
ENACTED AND ORDAINED, the day and year first above written by the Board of Supervisors of Newlin Township.

ATTEST:

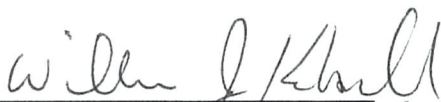
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