

TOWNSHIP OF PITTSTON Luzerne County, Pennsylvania

ORDINANCE NO. 7-01-2023

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE TOWNSHIP OF PITTSTON, LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, BY THE ISSUE OF A GENERAL OBLIGATION NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$600,000.00 FOR SUNDRY PURPOSES; FIXING THE FORM, NUMBER, DATE, INTEREST, AND MATURITY THEREOF; MAKING A COVENANT FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE DEBT SERVICE ON THE NOTE; PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF THE REQUIRED DOCUMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SINKING FUND DEPOSITORY FOR THE NOTE; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION, SALE AND DELIVERY THEREOF.

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the indebtedness of the Township of Pittston, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania be increased for the following purpose: to finance capital projects consisting of improvements to the streets and roadways serving this Township and to pay related expenses; and

WHEREAS, the local government unit has received preliminary realistic cost estimates from professional consultants indicating the sum of \$1,503,847.00 will be needed to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed increase of debt, together with its nonelectoral indebtedness and its lease rental indebtedness presently outstanding, will not cause the limitations of the local government unit debt incurring power, pursuant to constitutional and statutory authority to be exceeded;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township of Pittston, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of same as follows:

SECTION 1. That the aggregate principal amount of the Note of the Township of Pittston, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, proposed to be issued is \$600,000.00, same to be issued for the foregoing purposes and same to be incurred as nonelectoral debt.

SECTION 2. The period of useful life of the improvements for which this obligation is to be issued is estimated to be in excess of 10 years.

SECTION 3. Said indebtedness shall be evidenced by one general obligation Note, in fully registered form, in the sum of \$600,000.00 dated and bearing interest from the earliest date of possible issue of said Note under the statutory time requirements as set forth in the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approved the 28th day of April, 1978, being Act 52 of 1978 Session and known as the Local Government Unit Debt Act at the interest rate of 5.93% per annum, payable on the unpaid balance of said Note on or before August 31, 2029 during the term of said Note, together with interest on overdue principal, and to the extent permitted by law, on overdue interest, at the rate of 5.93 % per annum (computed on the basis of 365 days to the year) until paid, which Note shall mature in installments on the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) annual anniversary date of said Note as follows: **(SEE EXHIBIT "A")**

The local government unit reserves the right to anticipate any or all installments of principal or any payment of interest at any time prior to the respective payments dates thereof, without notice or penalty.

The principal and interest of said Note shall be payable at the office of the sinking fund depository selected for the Note as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 4. The said Note is hereby declared to be a general obligation of the Township of Pittston, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. The local government unit hereby covenants that it shall include the amount of debt service on the Note for each fiscal year in which such sums are payable in its budget for that year; shall appropriate such amounts to the payment of such debt service; and shall duly and punctually pay or cause to be paid the principal of the Note and the interest thereon at the dates and places and in the manner stated in the Note according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and for such proper budgeting, appropriation, and payment, the full faith, credit and taxing power of the Township of Pittston is hereby irrevocably pledged.

The amounts which the local government unit hereby covenants to pay in each of the following fiscal years on the basis of an interest rate of 5.93% are as follows: **(SEE EXHIBIT "A")**

SECTION 5. The form of said Note shall be substantially as set forth in the attached Exhibit N.

SECTION 6. The said Note shall be executed in the name and under the corporate seal of the local government unit by the Secretary and Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and attested to by the Secretary. The Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to deliver said Note to the purchaser, and receive payment therefor on behalf of the local government unit. The Chairman and Secretary of the local government unit are authorized and directed to prepare, verify and file the debt statement required by Section 8110 of the Act and to take other necessary action, including, if necessary or desirable, any statements required to qualify any portion of the debt from the appropriate debt limit as self-liquidating or subsidized debt.

SECTION 7. FNCB Bank is hereby designated as the Sinking Fund Depository for the obligation herein authorized, and there is hereby created and established a Sinking Fund, to be

known as "Sinking Fund 2023 General Obligation Note" for the payment of the principal and interest thereon which shall be deposited into the Sinking Fund no later than the date upon which the same becomes due and payable. The Treasurer shall deposit into the Sinking Fund, which shall be maintained until such obligation is paid in full, sufficient amounts for payment of principal and interest on the obligation no later than the date upon which such payments shall become due. The Sinking Fund Depository shall, as and when said payments are due, without further action by the local government unit, withdraw available monies in the Sinking Fund and apply said monies to payment of principal and interest on the obligation.

SECTION 8. The Chairman and Secretary of the local government unit are hereby authorized to contract with FNCB Bank for its services as Sinking Fund Depository for the Note and paying agent for the same.

SECTION 9. In compliance with Section 8161 of the Act, the members of the governing body have determined that a private sale by negotiation rather than public sale is in the best financial interest of the local government unit. Therefore, the general obligation Note in the amount of \$600,000.00, herein authorized to be issued and sold is hereby awarded and sold to FNCB Bank (Lender) in accordance with its proposal to purchase the said Note at par; provided the said Note is dated the delivery thereof to the FNCB Bank and is in the form set forth in this Ordinance as Exhibit N; and further provided that the proceedings have been approved by the Department of Community and Economic Development if such approval is required under the provisions of the Act.

SECTION 10. The action of the proper officers and the advertising of a summary of this Ordinance as required by law in the Citizens' Voice, a newspaper of general circulation, is ratified

## EXHIBIT "A"

Commencing 30 days after the closing date, 72 monthly installments, the first 12 of which will be interest only payments. The next 60 monthly payments shall be principal and interest payments in the amount of \$11,605.41.

- 2023- 4 months of interest only payments on principal balance as drawn
- 2024- 8 months of interest only payments on principal balance as drawn  
4 months of principal/interest payments of \$11,605.41 per month
- 2025- 12 months of principal/interest payments of \$11,605.41
- 2026- 12 months of principal/interest payments of \$11,605.41
- 2027- 12 months of principal/interest payments of \$11,605.41
- 2028- 12 months of principal/interest payments of \$11,605.41
- 2029- 8 months of principal/interest payments of \$11,605.41

and confirmed. The advertisement in said paper of the enactment of the ordinance is hereby directed within fifteen (15) days following the day of final enactment.

SECTION 11. All ordinances or parts of ordinances not in accord with this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as they conflict herewith.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED THIS 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

ATTEST:

Township of Pittston

By David A. Slezak  
David A. Slezak, Chairman

By: Joseph Hawk  
Joseph Hawk, Supervisor

By: Steven Rinaldi  
Steven Rinaldi, Supervisor

John A. Bonita  
John A. Bonita, Secretary

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Township of Pittston, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, has caused this Note to be properly executed by the proper officers of the local government unit and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, attested to by the Secretary as of the 22<sup>TH</sup> day of July, 2023.

Township of Pittston

By: David A. Slezak  
David A. Slezak, Chairman

By: Joseph Hawk  
Joseph Hawk, Supervisor

Attest: John A. Bonita  
John A. Bonita, Secretary

By: Steven Rinaldi  
Steven Rinaldi, Supervisor

