## **ORDINANCE NO. 367**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRIS, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING JOINT ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT, SCHLOW CENTRE REGION LIBRARY, FIRST AMENDMENT.

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of the Borough of State College, and the Townships of College, Ferguson, Harris, Halfmoon and Patton, all of Centre County, are members of the Centre Region Council of Governments; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Articles of Agreement of the Centre Region Council of Governments provide for separate agreements for COG programs; and

WHEREAS, cooperation among the municipalities in the exercise and performance of their governmental powers, duties, and functions, is authorized by the Act of 1972, July 12, P.L. 762, 53 P.S. Section 481, et seq., as amended,; and

WHEREAS, these municipalities wish to adopt an amendment to the He Joint Articles of Agreement for the Schlow Centre Region Library;

NOW, THEREFORE be it enacted and ordained by the Board of Supervisors of Harris Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board of Supervisors of Harris Township hereby adopts, by reference, the Joint Articles of Agreement for the Schlow Centre Region Library, First Amendment. A copy of the amendment is attached to this ordinance as Exhibit A.

SECTION 2: The Chairman of the Harris Township Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute said article amendment on behalf of Harris Township.

SECTION 3: All existing Agreements, Resolutions, and Ordinances which are contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4: The effective date of this Ordinance shall be five (5) days after the date of enactment thereof.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 8 day of July, 2024

## HARRIS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Nigel Wilson, Chair

Dennis Hameister, Vice-Chair/

Franklin Harden, Supervisor

Bruce Lord, Supervisor

Fracey Moriarty, Supervisor

ATTEST:

Mark Boeckel, Secretary

## JOINT ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT SCHLOW CENTRE REGION LIBRARY FIRST AMENDMENT

JUNE 1, 2024

By JOINT ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT dated the 12th day of March, 2015, the TOWNSHIPS OF COLLEGE, FERGUSON, HALFMOON, HARRIS AND PATTON, and the BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE ("Municipalities") entered into with SCHLOW CENTRE REGION LIBRARY ("Library") a Joint Articles of Agreement governing appointments to the Library Board ("Board"), assigning duties and responsibilities for the Board dealing with Library finances, governing facilities and equipment, and specifying changes for dealing with member Municipalities, listing an amendment procedure, listing existing composition and establishing an effective date.

For various and sundry reasons Township of Halfmoon has determined that it is in its best interest to withdraw from the Library, having issued its prior written notice as required by Section 7.2 of the aforesaid Joint Articles of Agreement.

As a result, the remaining members of the Library Joint Articles of Agreement find it necessary to provide for the replacement of the to be vacant Halfmoon Township seat on the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereunto do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The remaining members of the Joint Articles of Agreement of March 12, 2015, specifically the Townships of College, Ferguson, Harris and Patton, and the Borough of State College, acknowledge the receipt of the notice of withdrawal provided in accordance with the Joint Articles of Agreement by Halfmoon Township.
- 2. The remaining Municipalities and Library have agreed to the following amendment to the Joint Articles of Agreement.
- 3. Section 3.2 of the Joint Articles of Agreement of March 12, 2015 is amended to delete Halfmoon.

## 4. SECTION 3. COMPOSITION:

3.3 is hereby amended and replaced by the following:

The ninth seat on the Board shall be shared on an alternating basis by College Township and Harris Township as follows:

- a. College Township shall appoint a member for one three-year term effective on January 1, 2025. (If possible, College Township may appoint its member to serve the remainder of 2024 following the effective date of these Joint Articles of Agreement.)
- b. Afterwards, Harris Township shall appoint one member to a three-year term effective on January 1, 2028.
- c. College and Harris Townships shall continue to appoint a member to alternating three-year terms until another Township joins the Library program.
- d. Should another Township join the Library program in the future, this ninth seat shall be assigned to that Township at the end of the term of the current incumbent. At that point, that Township's member shall be eligible for three-year terms as outlined below.
- 5. In all other respects the Joint Articles of Agreement dated March 12, 2015 are hereby ratified and affirmed with the exclusion of withdrawing municipality Halfmoon Township.

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