RESOLUTION 2016 - 36

A RESOLUTION OF THE DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S
ESTABLISHING AND AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL $15.00 CHARGE PER DEED
AND MORTGAGE AS A RECORDING FEE TO BE COLLECTED IN DAUPHIN
COUNTY BY THE DAUPHIN COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS WHICH FUNDS
SHALL BE USED TO ESTABLISH A DEMOLITION FUND AS SET FORTH HEREIN.

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by Act No. 4 of 2016, P.L. 152,
authorized counties of the third-class to establish an additional fee of up to $15.00 for the recording
of each deed and/or mortgage in the county to fund a county demolition fund; and

WHEREAS, such a fee must be established by the governing body of a third-class county
by ordinance or resolution; and

WHEREAS, Dauphin County is a third-class county; and

WHEREAS, such funds are to be used for the demolition of blighted property as defined
therein; and

WHEREAS, Dauphin County has blighted property, the demolition of which would aid
the preservation of neighborhoods, protect adjoining and nearby property, promote economic
development, preserve taxable property and reduce crime, public safety problems and fires
associated with such blighted and abandoned properties; and

WHEREAS, the Dauphin County Commissioner’s wish to establish such a fund and
provide for the use thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Dauphin County Commissioner’s authorize and direct the
Dauphin County Recorder of Deeds to collect an additional $15.00 fee for each mortgage and for
each deed recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for Dauphin County commencing the
first day of March, 2017. Funds collected through the additional fee set forth herein shall be
deposited in the Dauphin County Demolition Fund which shall be available for demolition projects
for property meeting at least three (3) of the nine (9) criteria set forth in Section 5(d)(5) of the Act
of November 26, 2008 (P.L. 1672, No. 135) known as the Abandoned and Blighted Property
Conservation Act. Such funds shall be administered by the Dauphin County Land Bank which may
use the funds, within the law, for demolition for its own projects or which may grant such funds,
by application on a competitive basis, for demolition of blighted property in Dauphin County to
municipalities in Dauphin County, redevelopment authorities and other non-profit organized
entities.
Enacted this 14 day of December, 2016, by the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners.

WITNESS:

Chad Saylor, Chief Clerk

DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Jeff Haste, Commissioner

Mike Pries, Vice Chairman

George Harwick, Secretary