RESOLUTION 2018-03
A RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE A 90-DAY MORATORIUM
ON THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF ZONING COMPLIANCE
TO BUSINESSES OFFERING MASSAGE SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has observed and recognizes a proliferation of
massage businesses operating in Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, neighboring jurisdictions are experiencing increased interest in the
establishment of businesses offering massage services and Township staff expect this interest to
expand to the Township; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Sections 503.40 through 503.50 provide that a board of
township trustees, by resolution, may regulate and require the registration of massage
establishments and their employees within the unincorporated area of the township in accordance
with the statutory provisions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, massage services that are not performed in accordance with appropriate
regulations and standards can harm the health, safety, and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined it to be in the best interest of the
health, safety, and welfare of the community to impose a reasonable moratorium on the issuance
of any certificates of zoning compliance to businesses seeking to offer massage services in the
Township for the purpose of allowing the Board of Trustees sufficient time to consider the extent
and manner in which the Township should regulate and/or license businesses that offer massage
services and similar uses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Township Trustees of
Blendon Township, Franklin County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That, for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the adoption of this
Resolution, there is hereby imposed a Moratorium on the issuance of any Certificates of Zoning
Compliance to any businesses seeking to offer massage services within the unincorporated area
of Blendon Township.

SECTION 2. That, during this Moratorium, the granting of a Certificate of Zoning
Compliance that would enable the opening, change of location, or expansion of any business
offering massage services in the unincorporated area of Blendon Township is hereby prohibited.

SECTION 3. That this ninety (90) day Moratorium may be extended by the Board of
Trustees, if it determines that additional time is necessary based on the objectives of this
Resolution.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for
the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, such necessity arising
from the potential unregulated operation of additional businesses offering massage services
within unincorporated area of the township, therefore, this Resolution shall be effective
immediately upon passage.

Date: February 7, 2018

Attest: Wade L. Estep, Fiscal Officer

James Welch, Chairman

Stew Flaherty, Vice-Chair

Janice D. Heichel, Trustee