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Conflict of Interest Abstention Memorandum

To: Borough Secretary, Mary Loff
Archbald Borough, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania

From: John Shnipes, Council Member

Date: 8/1/25

Pursuant to Pennsylvania's "Public Official and Employee Ethics Law" (65 PA CSA 1101 et seq), I hereby declare that I am required to abstain regarding the following issue/motion:

Motion to send draft ordinance to ArchBald Borough
And Lackawanna County Region Planning commissions for review
And comments per Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code.

My conflict/reason for abstaining is as follows:

Potential conflict of interest Based on
Family Property ownership

John Shnipes

Signature of Public Official

NOTE: Section 1103(J) requires the following procedure:

"Any public official or public employee, who is in the discharge of his official duties, would be required to vote on a matter that would result in a conflict of interest shall abstain from voting, and, prior to the vote being taken, publicly announce and disclose the nature of his interest as a public record in a written memorandum filed with the person responsible for recording the minutes for the meeting at which the vote is taken."

(Please note the State Ethics Commission requires a public official to complete a form every time he has a conflict of interest.)