

**MINUTES OF THE DARLINGTON TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING HELD
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023**

The Darlington Township Supervisors met on Monday, August 14, 2023 for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Township municipal building at 7:00 P.M.

Mike Carreon, Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

PRESENT:

Supervisors	Greg Houlette Tom Blinkiewicz Mike Carreon
Solicitor Secretary/Treasurer	Taryn Hardy Brenna Boyde

ABSENT:

Engineer/Zoning Officer	Jeff Frye
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COMMUNICATION:

ITEM #1: Next Meeting on DCED Fire Regionalization Study will be held with elected officials from the municipalities and the Fire Chiefs on August 21st at 630PM.

ITEM #2: Weekly calls with State Agencies, Governor's Office, and monthly meeting with Governor's Office and Norfolk Southern. Continue to ask Norfolk Southern to pay all Township residents an inconvenience fee, though Norfolk Southern representatives decline to do this. Discussions with Norfolk Southern also include long-term concerns of the community regarding property value, health, and water and the financial accountability for funding should problems arise in the future.

ITEM #3: First Responders Meeting with the EPA and various other state and federal agencies will address ACE surveys and first responder health concerns.

ITEM #4: East Palestine Roadway continues to deteriorate. Darlington Township acquired an estimate to repair and resurface the roadway. Norfolk Southern has agreed to pay the expense of the repair to the roadway.

ITEM #5: Valley Road is a State maintained roadway. The Township is aware and has expressed concerns via a formal letter to PennDOT regarding the unsafe driving conditions of the roadway.

ITEM #6: The Township is undergoing the Agricultural Security Seven-Year Review which is a program that can protect agricultural operations.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Concerns were heard by Township residents and residents of surrounding municipalities regarding the East Palestine train derailment. Concerns included current and long-term health concerns including attainable medical resources with knowledge of the derailment, current and long-term water quality including not enough testing of private wells and waterways, current and long-term property values, and suggestions were made on how to utilize the \$660,000 that was received through Governor Shapiro's Community Fund.

TOWNSHIP MINUTES:

Mike Carreon motioned and Greg Houlette seconded to approve the July 10, 2023 Township minutes as presented.

REPORTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT: No Report

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Monthly report was available for review.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: Monthly report was available for review.

ENGINEER: No Report

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Monthly report was available for review.

ZONING OFFICER: No Report

SOLICITOR: Nothing to Report

RECREATION BOARD: No Report available

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

ITEM 1: Motion to Accept Lowest Responsible Bidder, East Fairfield Coal Company at the below listed rates:

Contract No. 2023-01: Aggregates

700 Tons - AASHTO #8 Limestone \$17.75 per ton

360 Tons - AASHTO #67 Limestone \$17.75 per ton

ITEM 2: Motion to Accept Lowest Responsible Bidder Youngblood Paving at the below listed rates:

Contract No. 2023-02: Sealcoating

95,500 SY - Bituminous Single Seal Coat \$1.84 per square yard

11,000 SY - Shallow Grind, Profile & Compaction Contract \$4.18 per square yard

ITEM 3: Motion to Accept Lowest Responsible Bidder Youngblood Paving at the below listed rates:

Contract No. 2023-03: Walking Trail & Parking Lot Paving

3,100 SY - Walking Trail Bituminous Paving \$26.25 per square yard

5,500 SY - Parking Lot Milling & Paving \$25.25 per square yard

ITEM 4: Mike Carreon motioned to authorize Township Secretary/Treasurer Brenna Boyde to deposit check received through Governor Shapiro's Community Fund in the amount of \$660,000 into Township's existing Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust Account. Greg Houlette seconded. The motion carried.

ITEM 5: Mike Carreon motioned to authorize Township Secretary/Treasurer Brenna Boyde to deposit check received from Norfolk Southern's Claims Department for repair of East Palestine Road in the amount of \$544,700 into Township's existing First National Bank Money Market Account. Greg Houlette seconded. The motion carried.

ITEM 6: Mike Carreon motioned to advertise requests for bid proposals to repair East Palestine Road. Greg Houlette seconded. The motioned carried.

OUTSTANDING BILLS: Mike Carreon motioned to pay the outstanding bills; Greg Houlette seconded. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT: Greg Houlette motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, Mike Carreon seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business Mike Carreon motioned, Greg Houlette seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Time 8:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenna Boyde
Secretary/Treasurer