

**MINUTES OF THE DARLINGTON TOWNSHIP  
SUPERVISORS MEETING HELD  
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024**

The Darlington Township Supervisors met on Monday, March 11, 2024 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

Tom Blinkiewicz  
Mike Carreon  
Greg Houlette

Solicitor  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Engineer/Zoning Officer

Taryn Hardy  
Brenna Boyde  
Jeff Frye

**ABSENT:**

**COMMUNICATION:**

Discussed Federal, State and Local taxes related to those who received 1099s from Norfolk Southern. Township has requested Norfolk Southern to provide assistance to Township residents should they need to amend their return filings, waiting to hear back.

Federal Appropriations were approved in Bill text and \$3.66 million was awarded to use for a public water project where Darlington Township works in conjunction with Beaver Falls Municipal Authority. The plan is to run water down Route 51, and down Cannelton Road, with no mandatory tap-ins. The project is significantly more expensive than the awarded funds, looking at other ways to fund the project that do not include any debt.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Members of Girl Scout Troop 16440 discussed their plans to replace the existing Little Free Library at the park entrance.

Bill Shafer of Oakdale Road asked questions about the public water project. He also expressed questions about the loss of revenue regarding abandoned properties in the Township.

Roman Kozak of Beaver Falls introduced himself as the Republican Candidate for PA House of Representatives for District 14.

## **TOWNSHIP MINUTES:**

Mike Carreon motioned and Tom Blinkiewicz seconded to approve the Township minutes as presented. Motion carried.

## **TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Mike Carreon motioned and Tom Blinkiewicz seconded to approve the Treasurer's report for February 2024 as presented. Motion carried.

## **BILL LIST:**

Mike Carreon motioned and Tom Blinkiewicz seconded to authorize the payment of vendors on the March 2024 bill list as presented. Motion carried.

## **REPORTS:**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Monthly report was available for review. Change in Fire Chief effective immediately. Bill Douthitt will assume the role of interim Fire Chief for the Department.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Monthly report was available for review.

**ROAD MAINTENANCE:** Monthly report was available for review.

**ENGINEER:** Bid package for East Palestine Road repairs will be advertised

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Monthly report was available for review.

**ZONING OFFICER:** Several permits issued, including two for residential solar panels, and several phone calls including one regarding a home-based business

**SOLICITOR:** Letter sent to bank regarding 311 Oakdale Road, assisted with Berkheimer Tax inquiry and reviewed the Comcast Franchise Agreement

**RECREATION BOARD:** No Report

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**ITEM 1:** Mike Carreon motioned to accept the resignation of Full-Time Police Officer Dan Frederick effective February 16, 2024. Greg Houlette seconded. Motion carried.

**ITEM 2:** Mike Carreon motioned to table awarding the lowest responsible bidder for East Palestine Road Project until more information is gathered. Greg Houlette seconded. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business Mike Carreon motioned, Tom Blinkiewicz seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Time 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenna Boyde  
Secretary/Treasurer