

**MINUTES OF THE DARLINGTON TOWNSHIP  
SUPERVISORS MEETING HELD  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022**

The Darlington Township Supervisors met on Monday, December 12, 2022 for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Township municipal building at 7:00 P.M.

Greg Houlette, Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 7:06 P.M. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

**PRESENT:**

Supervisors	Greg Houlette Tom Blinkiewicz Mike Carreon
Solicitor	Garen Fedeles
Engineer/Zoning Officer	Jeff Frye
Secretary/Treasurer	Brenna Boyde

**ABSENT:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Steve Necaster introduced himself to attendees as a potential magisterial candidate for District 36-3-02.

Marilyn Cope of Black Drive requested an update on Black Drive and expressed concern that trash is continuing to pile up on the front porch.

Road Master Kevin McRoberts shared that he was completing a grant through Beaver County Conservation District for Ridge Road and that trucks are prepared for snow removal.

**TOWNSHIP MINUTES:**

Greg Houlette motioned and Mike Carreon seconded to approve the November 14, 2022 Township minutes with a revision made to who called the meeting to order. Motion carried unanimously.

**REPORTS:**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Report was shared by newly elected Fire Chief Chris Laderer, term beginning in January 2023.

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

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

**ENGINEER:** Reported the DEP Transfer Permit was completed on Well #1 in the Industrial Park with submittal pending notarized signature by Board Chairman. Stated that the new roof on the Municipal Office has been completed and inspection finalized. Engineer recommended final payment by the Township to Pennsylvania Roofing Systems.

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

**ZONING OFFICER:** Shared monthly inquiries included questions on a billboard permit, an inquiry on additional uses at an existing business, follow-up on a conditional use of an existing business, conversation regarding lot consolidation and subdivision, and proposed solar panel ordinance language suggestions.

**SOLICITOR:** Update provided on solar panel ordinance language and establishing a resolution surrounding medical coverage for Medicare-eligible employees during the Township Reorganization meeting in January.

**RECREATION BOARD:** Drive-thru Christmas event was held on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMUNICATION:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion to adopt Resolution 17-2022, Resolution Fixing the Tax Rate for the Year 2023 at the sum of 11 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation. **Greg Houlette motioned; Mike Carreon seconded. Motion carried unanimously**
2. Motion to approve the proposed 2023 General Fund budget as presented. **Greg Houlette motioned; Mike Carreon seconded. Motion carried unanimously**
3. Motion to authorize Township Treasurer, to transfer \$50,000 from WesBanco checking account labeled Berkheimer Wage Tax to WesBanco checking account labeled General Fund to offset the 2022 revenue deficit. **Greg Houlette motioned; Mike Carreon seconded. Motion carried unanimously**
4. Motion to approve purchase of a 2023 Caterpillar 420XE 07A Backhoe Loader from COSTARs vendor Cleveland Brothers in the net amount of \$130,290.00 after trade-in of 2000 Case 580 Super L Backhoe Loader. **Greg Houlette motioned; Mike Carreon seconded. Motion carried unanimously**

**OUTSTANDING BILLS:** Greg Houlette motioned to pay the outstanding bills; Mike Carreon 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 Greg Houlette motioned, Mike Carreon seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Time 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenna Boyde  
Secretary/Treasurer