DARBY TOWNSHIP
September 28, 2026
MEETING MINUTES

The Darby Township Trustees met in regular session Monday, September 28, 2026, at 8:00 am at the Darby Township Hall with the following township official's present: James Scheiderer, David Huber, David Gruenbaum, and Mike Rausch. Others attending included Deputy R. Louden, Capt. Bob Roberts, Carolyn Feick, Troy Stafford, and Amy Chapman.

Chairman Scheiderer called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes from September 14, 2026, meeting of the Darby Township Trustees was emailed to all Trustees prior to the meeting. Mr. Huber made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Gruenbaum seconded the motion. Roll Call vote: Mr. Huber – Yes, Mr. Scheiderer Yes, and Mr. Gruenbaum – Yes. Motion carried.

The minutes from the Biannual Road Inspection meeting, held on September 8, 2026, was emailed to all Trustees prior to the meeting. Mr. Huber made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Gruenbaum seconded the motion. Roll Call vote: Mr. Huber – Yes, Mr. Scheiderer – Yes, and Mr. Gruenbaum – Yes. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Report:

- Deputy Louden gave an update on his view of the state of the township in relation to his patrol.
- Captain Roberts indicated he was there representing the Sheriff due to being on part time medical leave.

Township residents/visitors' business/concerns:

- Carolyn Feick, a resident of Darby Township and student at FHS, was at the meeting to observe and requested signatures on her Ohio Township Association scholarship form. All trustees and fiscal officer signed her application.
- Troy Stafford, a resident of Darby Township, presented his concern with the 2040 Plan regarding the construction of a by-pass road which will be going through his farm. He wanted to make sure the trustees were aware of this future planning and requested the trustees' input. The trustees indicated that they are for Darby Township staying agricultural and rural. It was indicated that Mr. Gruenbaum has contacted the City of Marysville, but has not received a response back.

Zoning Inspector Report:

1) Zoning Inspector was not present per agreement with the Trustees since this meeting was being held during her normal work day.
2) The response to Hillary Carlson's applications for a Variance and Conditional Use was discussed. Per the guidance of Thayne Gray, Union County Prosecutor's Office, Ms. Carlson will be notified the Variance and Conditional Use are not required per legal president. The Zoning Inspector will draft a letter to notify Ms. Carlson and the surrounding land owners. The letter will include the memo from the Prosecutor's Office with Mr. Gray's guidance and details.
3) The Agricultural Security Zone was discussed. The Trustees attended a Union County meeting where details on this new concept were provided. It was made known that it is the responsibility of the township residents to drive an application for this zone.

Old Business

1) Richwood Bank Positive Pay
    - No exceptions were reported since the last meeting.
2) 2026 NCO Grant – Waiting on response.
3) BWC Audit – Scheduled on October 14, 2026 at 9:30am
4) Water Drainage – Township Hall
    - A motion to rescind a prior approved motion on August 10, 2026 to contract with On Grade Construction was made by Mr. Huber and Seconded by Mr. Gruenbaum. Roll Call vote: Mr. Huber – Yes, Mr. Scheiderer – Yes, and Mr. Gruenbaum – Yes. Prior motion was rescinded.
        i) Motion driven by the fact On Grade did not seem to be able to get to our project this fall.

ii) Trustees have met with another company to provide a quote. Requested quote for next meeting review.

5) OTARMA Audit Report
   - Mr. Huber will provide a list of items completed to Mr. Rausch.
6) BZA/BZC Minutes
   - Ms. Chapman, Zoning Secretary, has begun to provide BZC minutes to the webmaster to post on the website.
   - Ms. Chapman will work to provide minutes from all 2026 BZA and BZC meetings to be posted on the website
7) FHS Band and Memorial Day
   - Mr. Huber received confirmation from the band director that they will plan on participating in the 2027 program.
8) Other Business
   - Mr. Huber reported that he is having trouble meeting with the representative of the tree service. He will contact other vendors to see if they are able to provide a quote and complete the work this fall.

New Business

1) Unionville Center Fall Festival
   - The Trustees discussed again providing monetary support to Lighthouse Fellowship to assist with the festival.
   - A motion by Mr. Gruenbaum to provide up to $650 to reimburse Lighthouse Fellowship for their expenses in conducting the Fall Festival with receipts being provided as proof of the expense. Mr. Huber seconded the motion. Roll Call vote: Mr. Huber – Yes, Mr. Scheiderer – Yes, and Mr. Gruenbaum – Yes. Motion carried.
2) Other Business
   - Mr. Huber and Mr. Gruenbaum reported they have had more discussions with other townships on their Cemetery Management Software. It was noted the Trustees plan to include funding in the 2027 budget to move to an automated management system to replace the fully manual system currently in place.

Cemeteries

1) See management software item under New Business.

Roads

1) No specific items discussed.

Communications/Correspondence

1) Mr. Rausch provided details to Trustees.

Receipts

The receipts received August 15 – August 28, 2026, were reviewed.

Date	Source	Amount
September 15, 2026	Sublime Pools and Spa	$450.00
September 21, 2026	Joseph Peck	$300.00
September 21, 2026	Union County Auditor	$17,333.57

Mr. Gruenbaum made a motion to pay bills. Mr. Huber seconded the motion. A unanimous vote followed.

Electronic transfer/Check#	Pay To	Purpose	Amount
139-2026	Ohio Deferred Compensation	Monthly Payroll	$30.00
140-2026	United States Treasury	Monthly Payroll Taxes	$435.93
141-2026	School District	Monthly Payroll Taxes	$54.92
142-2026	Ohio Treasurer	Monthly Payroll Taxes	$115.69

143-2026	City of Marysville	Quarterly Payroll Taxes	$51.42
144-2026	Ohio Public Employees Retirement System	Monthly Payroll Taxes	$1,670.48
146-2026	Verizon	Inspector Phone	$38.14
7435	Mike Rausch	Training Reimbursement	$110.00
7436	Union County Engineer	Contracted Work	$280.80

I hereby certify that there is sufficient money appropriated and, in the Treasury, to pay the above bills.

Checks were noted to be in correct sequence.

Mr. Gruenbaum then moved to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Huber seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Mr. Huber – Yes, Mr. Scheiderer – Yes. Mr. Gruenbaum – Yes. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.