

**UNION TOWNSHIP
3904 FINLEYVILLE-ELRAMA ROAD
FINLEYVILLE, PA 15332**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF UNION TOWNSHIP
FEBRUARY 22, 2024 AT 6:30 P.M.**

1. ROLL CALL/CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Board of Supervisors regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. Present were Michalle Dupree, Larry Speer, Carl Hanford, Suzonne Baynham, and John Seiler. Also present was Dennis Makel, Solicitor and Diana Kristobek, Secretary.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS & MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN)

The Township Board of Supervisors allocates the time of 4 minutes during this item for those individuals who are Township residents and/or Township taxpayers and would like the opportunity to address the Board of Supervisors on agenda items and matters of public concern.

- Lenny Bailey – 37 Ramage Avenue, Elrama, PA 15038: As the Elrama Fire Chief he said he has never had an ISO survey in twenty years and believes the Township has some responsibility for the department’s low ISO rating.
- Jamie Edwards – 2 Circle Avenue, Elrama, PA 15038: Thanks given to Lenny Bailey and worried that Elrama will no longer be the primary call. Ms. Edwards also asked why Mr. Bailey was not offered the Emergency Management Coordinator position.
- Leroy G. Harkins – 4586 Finleyville-Elrama Road, Finleyville, PA 15332: Believes there is a lack of communication between the Elrama Fire Company and the Township, and that the ISO information was not sent to the Fire Company.
- Heather Daerr – 6187 Route 88, Finleyville, PA: Ms. Daerr addressed the public and thanked the Elrama Firemen. Asked Mr. Seiler if he is NIMS certified like Mr. Bailey. Stated that she did not speak to Mr. Tyler Olsen of ISO while she was the Board Chair and will look into why he said she did. Ms. Daerr says that she is being harassed at this meeting and that the harassment is why she left her position as Board Chair.
- Kevin Daerr – 6187 Route 88, Finleyville, PA: Requested information about the Board’s information gathering session with Tyler Olsen of ISO and thought that it should have been a public meeting. Inquired about the emails attached to the Resolution.
- Mike Barna – 4042 Finleyville-Elrama Road, Finleyville, PA: Was concerned that the posting of the special meeting was only posted in the Observer-Reporter, the Township website, and on the door of the building. Inquired about the NIMS certification of the current Emergency Management Coordinator.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Board Approved: February 28, 2024

A motion was made by L. Speer and seconded by C. Hanford to adopt a resolution appointing Finleyville Fire Department as the primary responder for Union Township.
ALL IN FAVOR - Motion Carries

5. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by L. Speer and seconded by M. Dupree at 7:27 p.m. to adjourn the meeting.

Diana Kristobek, Secretary

Michalle Dupree, Board Chair