

CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
MAY 5, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Breunig at 7:12 PM. Present at roll call were: John Sonsalla, Don Osterday, Steve Pickett and Cindy Corley. Excused absence: Dave Gough. Also present were: Bill McDaniel, Felix Perez, Joe Boll, Steve Brunkow, Deb Pickett, Jeremy Williams, Jason King, Jim Mann and Phil Risseeuw.

Motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett that the meeting notice and agenda were properly posted. Motion carried. Motion by Pickett second by Osterday to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Under comments from citizens present, Joe Boll encouraged Mayor Breunig and Council members to contact members of the Lafayette County Board and Hospital Committee and let them know their opinions on the proposed wheel tax implementation and discontinuation of child birth at Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County. Mr. Boll stated County Board members have told him no one contacts them about issues at the county level. They need to know how municipal officials feel about the issues.

Under unfinished business, discussion was held concerning the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Felix Perez to the City Council as Alderperson for District Three. Mayor Breunig reported Mr. Perez answered the advertisement for alderperson, and submitted his letter of qualifications. Mayor Breunig also reported he interviewed Mr. Perez last week, and feels he will be a good addition to the City Council. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Sonsalla to accept Mayor Breunig's recommendation and approve the appointment of Felix Perez to the City Council as Alderperson for District Three. Motion carried. Attorney McDaniel then administered the official oath to Mr. Perez. Mr. Perez then took his place at the Council table.

Under new business, Jim Mann of Ehlers & Associates attended the meeting to present information regarding a proposed bond refunding and addition of new funds to finance the proposed 2015 capital improvement projects. Mr. Mann distributed a handout to council members regarding the proposed bond refunding. He stated due to recent reductions in interest rates, the City could save approximately \$46,549.50 in interest costs over the next eleven years, if the \$850,000 principal balance remaining on the 2006 bond issue is refunded. Deb Pickett then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning the addition of new funds to finance the proposed 2015 capital improvement projects. New funds are needed for street blacktopping, park building improvements, HVAC units at the Municipal Building, and proposed ambulance purchase. The total cost of the 2015 capital improvement projects is \$447,760.00. Mr. Mann then stated according to Wis. Stats., general obligation tax exempt bond funds cannot be used for HVAC units at the Municipal Building or an ambulance purchase if the City doesn't own the ambulance. So those cost amounts were deducted from the proposed bond sizing. Therefore the proposed general obligation bond amount is \$1,115,000.00.

Several questions were asked by those present concerning this proposal. Mr. Mann stated he feels interest rates will be increasing sometime this year, so now is a good time to take advantage of the lower interest rates. He also explained the fees associated with issuance of the refunding bonds. And finally, bond repayment options were reviewed and considered. After discussion and consideration, it was the consensus of those present continue with the bond selling process.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2015-02, An Initial Resolution Authorizing \$220,000 General Obligation Bonds for Street Improvement Projects. A copy of the proposed resolution was distributed to Council members at this meeting. After review and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Sonsalla to approve Resolution 2015-02, An Initial Resolution Authorizing \$220,000 General Obligation Bonds for Street Improvement Projects as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2015-03, An Initial Resolution Authorizing \$45,000 General Obligation Bonds for Parks and Public Grounds Projects. A copy of the proposed resolution was distributed to Council members at this meeting. After review and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to approve Resolution 2015-03, An Initial Resolution Authorizing \$45,000 General Obligation Bonds for Parks and Public Grounds Projects as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2015-04, An Initial Resolution Authorizing \$850,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds. A copy of the proposed resolution was distributed to Council members at this meeting. After review and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Osterday to approve Resolution 2015-04, An Initial Resolution Authorizing \$850,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2015-05, A Resolution Directing Publication of Notice of Electors Related to Bond Issues. A copy of the proposed resolution was distributed to Council members at this meeting. After review and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Corley to approve Resolution 2015-05, A Resolution Directing Publication of Notice of Electors Related to Bond Issues as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2015-06, A Resolution Providing for the Sale of \$1,115,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds. A copy of the proposed resolution was distributed to Council members at this meeting. After review and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Sonsalla to approve Resolution 2015-06, A Resolution Providing for the Sale of \$1,115,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds as presented. Motion carried. Jim Mann then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendations from the Policies, Procedures and Ordinance Committee; which held a meeting just prior to this Council meeting.

- Approve Ordinance 02-2015, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington regarding hours of operation for ATV's and UTV's on City Streets. This ordinance change extends the closing hour of operation from 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM. After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Corley to adopt Ordinance 02-2015, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington as presented. Motion carried.

- Approve Ordinance 03-2015, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington regarding Wisconsin Uniform Building Code Adopted. This ordinance change removes exemptions included in the previous ordinance regarding building permit requirements. After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to adopt Ordinance 03-2015, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington regarding Wisconsin Uniform Building Code Adopted. Motion carried. Joe Boll and Steve Brunkow then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning an application for transfer of license for sale of fermented malt beverages from one premise to another from Eva Valle, d/b/a Mi Canton, 314 Main Street, Darlington, WI 53530. If approved, this Class A license will be relocated to 408 Main Street, Darlington, WI 53530. A copy of the application form was included in the agenda packet. After review and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Osterday to approve the transfer of license for Eva Valle, d/b/a Mi Canton to 408 Main Street, Darlington, WI 53530 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Osterday second by Pickett to approve the following April, 2015 vouchers: City vouchers #35940 thru #36035 in the amount of \$90,566.73; Direct deposit payroll vouchers #4821 thru #4902 in the amount of \$50,589.56; Water Dept. vouchers #5151 thru #5167 in the amount of \$54,894.90; Sewer Dept. vouchers #5935 thru #5953 in the amount of \$381,639.47; and Library vouchers #5177 thru #5187 in the amount of \$10,385.34. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Alderperson Sonsalla reported on the Library Board meeting held April 27, 2015; Mayor Breunig encouraged those present to attend the League Legislative Luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, May 13, 2015; and Mayor Breunig encouraged those present to attend several upcoming community events.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Perez second by Pickett to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer