

CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS MAY 6, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Breunig at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Present at roll call were: Steve Pickett, Bev Anderson, Cindy Corley, John Sonsalla and Don Osterday. Excused absence: Dave Gough. Also present were: Jason King, Jeremy Williams, Bill McDaniel, Doug Lindstrom, Suzy Osterday, Jim Winkels, Tallitha Reese and UW-Platteville Engineering students Charles Zingsheim, Ryan Clussman, Charles Hubbard, Ben Bocher, Austin Polebitski and Phil Risseeuw.

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

Under unfinished business, several UW-Platteville engineering students attended the meeting to present a report regarding river water back flow through the storm sewers when the Pecatonica River rises. Chief King contacted the UW-Platteville engineering department, and asked if they had any senior engineering students that needed a class project. Chief King asked them to analyze the City's storm sewer system to see if anything could be done to prevent river water from back flowing through the storm sewers onto City streets during times of high water. The students worked with Chief King, Jeremy Williams and other local officials in their analysis. Five engineering students attended this meeting to present their findings. Dale Marsh and Dale Wiegel arrived at the meeting at 7:15 PM.

The engineering students then gave a PowerPoint presentation to those present. They stated they considered several alternatives as a possible solution to this problem. Based on their analysis, the best solution would be to install Checkmate back flow prevention valves in four storm sewer outlets near Main Street and the Pecatonica River. The estimated cost of the Checkmate valves, not including installation is \$24,458.00. Several questions were then asked by those present. The engineering students stated they would be preparing a written report by the end of this week, and that report will be provided to Chief King and Jeremy Williams. The students were then thanked for their work and presentation. Charles Zingsheim, Ryan Clussman, Charles Hubbard, Ben Bocher and Austin Polebitski then left the meeting.

Suzy Osterday then presented the Annual Report for the Tourism Commission. Suzy distributed a handout at this meeting showing the account transactions from January 1, 2013 through March 25, 2014. She reported on the uses of the room tax money, and how those expenses benefit the City of Darlington. Suzy also distributed copies of the discover Darlington brochure and a Birding brochure. In addition, Suzy stated Jim Winkels offered to create a website dedicated to the City's campground. Jim gave a PowerPoint presentation to those present, showing all the features of the website. He stated the website has already had over 1000 visits, and he's working to increase the accessibility of the website. After their presentations, Suzy Osterday, Jim Winkels and Jason King left the meeting.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning bids received for sewer main replacement work, water main replacement work, and lift station rehabilitation. Dale Marsh of Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. attended the meeting to present this information and answer questions. Mr. Marsh distributed copies of their recommendation letter to Mayor Breunig and Council members at this meeting. Dale then stated two bids were received for this work, with the low bid submitted by PTS Contractors in the amount of \$1,715,111.50. This bid amount includes all portions of the project. Dale also stated he is familiar with this company, and has worked with them in the past. They were prequalified to bid on this project, and are an experienced firm that can complete the work. Funding for this project will come from DNR funds, Town of Darlington funds, TIF #6 funds and water department funds. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Osterday to approve and accept the \$1,715,111.50 bid amount from PTS Contractors for the sewer main replacement work, water main replacement work, and lift station rehabilitation as presented. Motion carried. Dale Marsh and Jeremy Williams then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning an application for Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Darlington Lions Club for a fenced in area in Riverside Park, for dates and times listed on the application, for Canoe Fest Weekend. Copies of the license application and approval letter from Chief King were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Sonsalla to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for the Darlington Lions Club as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning an application for Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Memorial Healthcare Foundation for the Lafayette County Fairgrounds on Sunday, August 3, 2014 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Copies of the license application and approval letter from Chief King were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Corley to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for Memorial Healthcare Foundation as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendations from the Plan Commission.

- Plat approval request from Pat Keyes for property located at the corner of Hwy. 81 East and Arthur Street. The Plan Commission recommended approval of the property plat contingent upon annexation of the property into the City limits. Attorney McDaniel asked for time to investigate this matter, prior to the Council action on this recommendation. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Anderson to table the matter until the next Council meeting. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendations from the Park and Recreation Committee. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet.

- Future purchase of new True CS650 Emerge Display Treadmill from Bill's Fitness Store, in the amount of \$5,585.00. Alderperson Osterday reported three used treadmills were purchased at the same time, and one has already failed and been replaced.

The other two are acting up, and when the time comes when the next one quits, they are seeking approval to replace it with the True CS650 Treadmill. Funds for this purchase would come from Ritter Funds. After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to approve the future purchase of a True CS650 Treadmill as presented. Motion carried.

- Purchase of new Ferris lawn mower from Ritchie's. Alderperson Osterday reported the Committee is recommending the trade in purchase of a new Ferris lawn mower at the trade in cost of \$6,900.00 from Ritchie's. The funds for this purchase will come from the park outlay account. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Corley to approve the purchase of a new Ferris lawn mower from Ritchie's as presented. Motion carried.
- Accept bid for portable toilet at Black Bridge Park from Jeff Monson Septic & Portable Restrooms, LLC. Alderperson Osterday reported the Committee is recommending acceptance of the bid in the amount of \$630.00. After discussion and consideration, motion by Corley second by Anderson to accept the portable toilet bid from Jeff Monson Septic & Portable Restrooms, LLC as presented. Motion carried.
- Approve hiring of summer employees for the concession stand. Alderperson Osterday reported the Committee is recommending the hiring of Carlie Langkamp and Cade Hardyman to work at the concession stand this summer. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Sonsalla to approve the hiring of Carlie Langkamp and Cade Hardyman as presented. By Voice Vote: Ayes: Osterday, Sonsalla, Corley and Pickett. Nays: None. Abstained: Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion by Pickett second by Sonsalla to approve the payment of the following April, 2014 vouches: City vouchers #34725 thru #34794 in the amount of \$118,055.36; Payroll voucher #18990 and direct deposit payroll vouchers #3695 thru #3780 in the amount of \$54,345.84; Water Dept. vouchers #4905 thru #4929 in the amount of \$60,924.16; Sewer Dept. vouchers #5696 thru #5716 in the amount of \$337,442.81; and Library vouchers #5084 thru #5092 in the amount of \$10,900.66. Motion carried.

The March 31, 2014 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. were then presented for review and approval. Copies of the financial statements were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Pickett to approve the March 31, 2014 financial statements as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2014-02, A Resolution Borrowing Funds. This resolution pertains to the \$103,000 loan funds being borrowed from the First National Bank at Darlington for the restroom construction project. The loan term is ten years, with a fixed interest rate of 2.50%. A copy of Resolution 2014-02, along with a copy of the promissory note, were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Pickett to approve Resolution 2014-02, A Resolution Borrowing Funds as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2014-03, A Resolution Authorizing Participation in Outdoor Motorized Recreation Trail Aids, All Terrain Vehicle Trail/Area Aids Program. A copy of the proposed resolution was included in the agenda packet. Doug Lindstrom explained this resolution is needed for representatives of the DNR to consider an application for improvements at the City's campground. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Pickett to approve Resolution 2014-03, A Resolution Authorizing Participation in Outdoor Motorized Recreation Trails Aids, All Terrain Vehicle Trail/Area Aids Program as presented. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Alderperson Anderson reported on the Library Board meeting held April 28, 2014. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet. Alderperson Anderson highlighted several items included in the meeting minutes. And Mayor Breunig encouraged those present to attend upcoming community events.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Sonsalla second by Corley to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer