

**CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
MAY 20, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Council President Dave Gough, due to the excused absence of Mayor Dave Breunig, at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Present at roll call were: Bev Anderson, Cindy Corley, Dave Gough, John Sonsalla, Don Osterday and Steve Pickett. Absent: None. Also present were: Joe Boll, Greg McGowan, Leo & Janayne Spellman, Jeremy Williams, Dick Virtue, Jerry Quirk, Hugh & Karen Bodensteiner, Staci Brecklin, Jason King, Tallitha Reese 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 Anderson to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, with the addition of Troy Maggied as attending the meeting. Motion carried.

Under comments from citizens present, Jeremy Williams reported that Jeff McCarthy received notice that he passed all of the sewer exams he took earlier this month. He is now a licensed operator, and can operate the City's wastewater plant without supervision.

Under unfinished business, Alderperson Anderson stated she noticed the City crew had removed the tree grates from around a couple trees on Main Street. She asked Jeremy Williams what his plans were for those trees. Jeremy stated the trees had grown too large for the grates, and a couple of dead trees will be replaced.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning the following recommendation from the Policies, Procedures and Ordinance Committee.

- Proposed Ordinance 01-2014, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington regarding operation of All-Terrain Vehicles and Utility Terrain Vehicles on a highway bridge. Committee Chairman Sonsalla reported the committee held their meeting just prior to this Council meeting. At that meeting, the Committee recommended approval of Ordinance 01-2014 as presented. It was reported this ordinance amendment does not allow ATV and UTV access to Galena Street. Galena Street is also State Hwy. 23, and ATV and UTV access is not permitted on state highways. After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Anderson to approve and adopt Ordinance 01-2014, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington as presented. By Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Joe Boll, Greg McGowan, Leo and Janayne Spellman, Dick Virtue, Jerry Quirk, Hugh and Karen Bodensteiner and Staci Brecklin then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning a Petition for Direct Annexation from Pat Keyes for property he owns at the corner of Hwy. 81 East and Arthur Street. A copy of the petition and supporting documents was included in the agenda packet.

It was reported this petition is step one of the process. An annexation ordinance will be prepared by Attorney McDaniel, and will be presented at the next Council meeting. In addition, the request for plat approval for this property will also be presented at the next Council meeting. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Osterday to approve the Petition of Direct Annexation from Pat Keyes for property he owns at the corner of Hwy. 81 East and Arthur Street as presented. Motion carried. Jason King then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning an application for Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Beowulf MC LTD for the Lafayette County Fairgrounds from 2:30 PM, June 14, 2014 thru 2:30 AM, June 15, 2014. Copies of the license application and approval letter from Chief King were included in the agenda packet. This license application is for Canoe Fest Weekend. After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Beowulf MC LTD as presented. By Voice Vote: Ayes: Sonsalla, Osterday, Pickett, Anderson and Gough. Nays: None. Abstained: Corley. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning an application for Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Darlington Canoe Festival Committee for a fenced in area under the Big Top Tent, for dates and times listed in the application. Copies of the license application and approval letter from Chief King were included in the agenda packet. This license application is also for Canoe Fest Weekend. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Anderson to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Darlington Canoe Festival Committee as presented. By Voice Vote: Ayes: Pickett, Anderson, Gough, Sonsalla and Osterday. Nays: None. Abstained: Corley. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2014-04, A Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures. This resolution pertains to the sewer main replacement project, and is a requirement of the WDNR loan application. The resolution includes a \$1,600,000 approximate project cost, based on the bids received for this project. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Sonsalla to approve Resolution 2014-04, A Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning authorization to use Water Department equipment depreciation funds, City outlay funds and TIF funds to fund portions of the sewer main replacement project not covered by WDNR loan funds. A copy of a letter explaining this request was included in the agenda packet. The sewer main replacement project also includes some extra work items not being funded by the WDNR loan. Of the \$1,715,111.50 bid amount, \$1,279,047.00 will be paid from WDNR loan funds. It is being proposed to fund the rest of the project as follows: \$149,127.00 from Water Department equipment depreciation funds; \$42,461.75 from Street Construction and Storm Sewer outlay account funds; and \$129,360.00 from TIF #6 funds. All accounts have sufficient funds to pay these expenses.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Sonsalla to approve the payment of project expenses from the Water Department equipment depreciation fund, Street Construction and Storm Sewer outlay accounts, and TIF #6 funds as presented. Motion carried.

The April 30, 2014 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. were then presented for approval. Copies of the financial statements were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Anderson to approve the April 30, 2014 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. as presented. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, it was reported the Board of Review is scheduled for Friday, June 6, 2014 beginning at 10:00 AM. And Open Book is scheduled for Monday, June 2, 2014 beginning at 9:00 AM. Alderperson Anderson then reported a Library Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 21, 2014. Alderperson Corley reported Rural Medical's Open House will also be held Wednesday, May 21, 2014. She also reported on actions taken at the recent Rural Medical Board meeting. And Alderperson Gough thanked the Sons of the American Legion organization for their flags on Main Street project they completed last weekend.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer