

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JUNE 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Breunig, due to the absence of Committee Chairman Dave Gough, at 6:30 PM. Present at roll call were: Cindy Corley, Don Osterday, John Sonsalla, Steve Pickett and Felix Perez. Excused absence: Dave Gough. Also present were: Dennis McPhail, Jeremy Williams, Dale Wiegel, Brian Lund and Phil Risseuw.

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

Under new business, the 2015 Compliance Maintenance Report regarding the operation of the wastewater treatment plant was presented for review and consideration. A copy of the report was included in the agenda packet. Jeremy Williams and Dennis McPhail attended the meeting to present information and answer questions. The overall rating for the operation of the wastewater treatment plant was 3.72 out of 4.00. Of the nine categories being rated, the plant had an "A" rating in every category but one; and the other rating was a "D". Jeremy Williams stated overall the report was another good report for 2015.

Several questions were asked by those present concerning the report and plant operations. Several suggestions were made by Jeremy and Dennis for plant and equipment improvements at the wastewater plant. The plant is now 20 years old, and near full capacity. More sludge storage is needed; along with an update to the bar screen system; and another oxidation ditch and clarifier should be added. It was reported even though the plant is receiving higher than design level amounts of BOD's; the effluent quality being discharged from the plant is excellent. Doug Lindstrom arrived at the meeting at 6:45 PM.

Discussion was then held concerning the Wis. Whey Protein / Cheese Plant and Mexican Cheese Producers plant. Both of these plants have expanded operations during the past year, and the wastewater discharge from these plants had an effect on the City's wastewater treatment plant. Both of these businesses have operational pre-treatment plants at their manufacturing plants. They are working on improving operations at those pre-treatment plants. Bill McDaniel arrived at the meeting at 6:50 PM.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Perez to accept the 2015 Compliance Maintenance Report and recommend approval of the report to the City Council as presented. Motion carried. Committee members then thanked Dennis McPhail, Jeff McCarthy and Jeremy Williams for all their hard work at the wastewater treatment plant; and Mayor Breunig encouraged all Committee members to visit the wastewater treatment plant and have Dennis and Jeff give them a tour and answer any questions they may have. Dennis McPhail then left the meeting.

A Pre-Sale Report for City of Darlington \$765,000 Waterworks System Revenue Bonds, 2016A was then presented for review. A copy of the pre-sale report was included in the agenda packet. It was reported this report was prepared by Jim Mann of Ehlers Associates, and distributed to those present to finalize the loan amount; since the project scope was reduced at a previous Council meeting. The sale of these revenue bonds will take place on June 21, 2016; with an estimated closing date of July 14, 2016. This report was presented for informational purposes only.

A Pre-Sale Report for City of Darlington \$660,000 Sewerage System Revenue Bonds, 2016B was then presented for review. A copy of the pre-sale report was included in the agenda packet. It was reported this report was prepared by Jim Mann of Ehlers Associates, and distributed to those present to finalize the loan amount; since the project scope was reduced at a previous Council meeting. The sale of these revenue bonds will take place on June 21, 2016; with an estimated closing date of July 14, 2016. This report was presented for informational purposes only.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Perez second by Corley to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseeuw, Clerk-Treasurer