

**CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**JULY 19, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Breunig at 7:20 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Present at roll call were: Cindy Corley, Dave Gough, John Sonsalla, Don Osterday, Steve Pickett and Felix Perez. Absent: None. Also present were: Bill McDaniel, Jeremy Williams, Dale Wiegel, Jason King, Nick Mantsch, Brian Lund, Doug Lindstrom and Phil Risseuw.

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

Under comments from citizens present, Police Chief Jason King introduced his newly hired Police Officer Nicholas Mantsch to those present. Officer Mantsch was welcomed to Darlington by everyone present. Jason King and Nick Mantsch then left the meeting.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning a request from representatives of WDOT for the City Council to decide if they want pedestrian and bicycle accommodations included in the Hwy. 23 reconstruction project. The area up for discussion at this time is Galena Street from the Hwy. 23 Bridge south to Center Hill Road. Copies of an explanation letter from Jeremy Williams, an email from WDOT representative Matthew Dapp, cost estimate worksheets, and five street segments were included in the agenda packet. Jeremy Williams attended the meeting to present this information and answer questions. Jeremy stated the City Council needs to decide what type of street design they want to have regarding parking lanes and bicycle lanes.

Jeremy Williams stated according to the current plan design, street parking will be eliminated on the east (right) side of Galena Street from the Hwy. 23 Bridge to Center Hill Road. The sidewalk will be extended from Huntington Court to the bottom of Center Hill Road on the west side of Galena Street, and will be brought down to street level. Retaining walls will also be constructed on the west side of Galena Street. The street design selection determines what portion of the project cost the City of Darlington will be responsible to pay. The City of Darlington is required to pay for the construction costs of all parking lanes in this reconstruction project.

After discussion and consideration, it was the consensus of those present to solicit input from the property owners along Galena Street, prior to making a decision on the street design. Jeremy Williams stated representatives of WDOT have tentatively scheduled another public hearing on this project for August 23, 2016 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Jeremy also stated representatives of WDOT are willing to attend a City Council meeting to further explain the options available to the City. It was suggested the property owners along Galena Street be invited to attend both meetings. After further discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Osterday to table this matter until the second Council meeting in September, 2016. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendation from the Policies, Procedures and Ordinance Committee. This meeting was held just prior to this Council meeting.

- Credit Card Policy. Mayor Breunig reported the Committee is recommending approval of the Credit Card Policy as presented at the Committee meeting. The Credit Card Policy addresses comments made by the City's auditors in the 2015 Audit Report. After review, discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to accept the recommendation from the Policies, Procedures and Ordinance Committee and approve the proposed Credit Card Policy as presented. Motion carried.

The June 30, 2016 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. were then presented for review and approval. Copies of the June 30, 2016 financial statements were included in the agenda packet. After review and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Sonsalla to approve the June 30, 2016 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. as presented. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Mayor Breunig reported on a Finance and Personnel Committee meeting held July 11, 2016. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet. He stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the replacement of the City's Park and Recreation Director Doug Lindstrom, who has decided to retire effective August 31, 2016. It was also reported the position has been posted, and the deadline for submitting applications is July 28, 2016. Mayor Breunig then scheduled another meeting of the Finance and Personnel Committee for Tuesday, August 2, 2016 at 6:00 PM, to review applications received for the Park and Recreation Director Position.

Aldersperson Pickett then reported on a recently held Broadband Committee meeting. He reported CenturyLink has plans to update their internet service within the City by 2019.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Perez second by Pickett to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer