

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 5, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Dave Gough at 6:32 PM. Present at roll call were: Dave Gough, Don Osterday, John Sonsalla, Steve Pickett and Felix Perez. Excused absence: Cindy Corley. Also present were: Mayor Dave Breunig, Jeremy Williams and Phil Risseuw.

Motion by Pickett second by Perez 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 new business, discussion was held concerning the proposed 2016 Water Dept. budget. A copy of the proposed budget was included in the agenda packet. Jeremy Williams attended the meeting to present the information and answer questions. The proposed budget calls for Total Revenues of \$587,535.00 and Total Operating Expenses of \$536,980.00; resulting in a net operating income of \$50,555.00. The total revenues include the proposed 3.0% rate increase being implemented on December 1, 2015. Jeremy then distributed a copy of the Notice of Rate Increase, which shows the dollar effect of the rate increase. This notice will be placed in the Republican Journal yet this month. The proposed budget provides sufficient funds to cover all operating and debt repayment expenses. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Gough to recommend to the Council the approval of the 2016 Water Dept. budget as presented. Motion carried.

The 2016 Sewer Dept. budget was then presented for review and consideration. A copy of the proposed budget was included in the agenda packet. Jeremy Williams then presented this information and answered questions regarding this budget. The proposed budget calls for Total Revenues of \$1,056,015.00 and Total Operating Expenses of \$784,358.64; resulting in a net operating income of \$271,656.36. The proposed budget provides sufficient funds to cover all operating and debt repayment expenses, and also complies with the minimum annual coverage requirement of 1.25% or more. The proposed budget provides for a 1.51% coverage ratio. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Perez to recommend to the Council the approval of the 2016 Sewer Dept. budget as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington regarding a change in water rates. A copy of the proposed ordinance was included in the agenda packet. Jeremy Williams presented this information and answered questions. He stated the proposed ordinance reflects the 3.0% water rate increase being implemented on December 1, 2015. After review and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Sonsalla to recommend to the Council the adoption of the Ordinance Amending Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code of the City of Darlington regarding a change in water rates as presented. Motion carried.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Pereza second by Gough to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer