

**CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**MARCH 18, 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: Dave Gough, John Sonsalla, Don Osterday, Steve Pickett and Bev Anderson. Excused absence: Cindy Corley. Also present were: Bill McDaniel, Dale Wiegel, Doug Lindstrom, Candi Fitzsimons and Phil Risseeuw.

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

Under unfinished business, Alderperson Sonsalla asked when Mike Reuter will be attending a Council meeting. Mayor Breunig reported Mr. Reuter will be here sometime next month. Cindy Corley arrived at the meeting at 7:13 PM.

Under new business, the 2013 Library Annual Report was presented to those present. Candi Fitzsimons attended the meeting to present the information and answer questions. Copies of three pages of the report were included in the agenda packet. Candi distributed a fourth page of the report at this meeting. Candi highlighted several items included in the report, such as library collection, library services, library staff and library budget. Several questions were asked by Council members concerning this information. Candi also reported on her current librarian certification status. Candi stated she is taking one class per semester until completed. Candi was then thanked for her service, and complimented on all the good things happening at the library. Candi Fitzsimons then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning the proposed charge off of the 2013 Century Link personal property account due to assessment error. A copy of a letter from Linda Gardiner, Gardiner Appraisal Service, LLC, the City's assessors, and a copy of the Century Link personal property tax bill were included in the agenda packet. Mrs. Gardiner explained in her letter, that Century Link was assessed in error in 2013, and the tax amount needs to be deleted. She also stated this personal property parcel will be removed in the 2014 assessment roll. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Anderson to approve the charge off of the 2013 Century Link personal property tax as requested by the City's assessor. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the rehiring of Jim Polkinghorn and Charles North as part time parks employees. Doug Lindstrom attended the meeting to explain this request and answer questions. Doug and Mayor Breunig reported this rehiring has been done in past years prior to hiring the full slate of summer workers, to provide Doug some early help to open up the parks and recreation areas. Doug explained Jim and Charlie won't start work until weather permits, but if the weather breaks next week, they will be available to help.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Osterday to approve the rehiring of Jim Polkinghorn and Charles North as part time parks employees for the 2014 season. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Mayor Breunig scheduled a Plan Commission meeting for Tuesday, April 1, 2014, prior to the Council meeting to consider a junk dealer license application. Mayor Breunig the reported Ken Harwood resigned as Director of Lafayette Development Corporation. Mayor Breunig stated a meeting is scheduled with Lafayette County Development Committee to decide what to do next. And Mayor Breunig reported on an UW Extension meeting he attended regarding high speed internet access for the people of Southwest Wisconsin.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer