

CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS APRIL 6, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Breunig at 7:12 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Present at roll call were: Cindy Corley, Dave Gough, John Sonsalla, Don Osterday, Steve Pickett and Bev Anderson. Absent: None. Also present were: Jason King, Hillary Dickerson, Doug Lindstrom, Jean Kruser, Tim McGuire and Phil Risseuw.

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

Under unfinished business, Alderperson Corley asked if an Ordinance Committee could be held soon to finalize the building maintenance ordinance. It was the consensus of those present to hold an Ordinance Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2010 beginning at 6:00 PM.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning the re-hiring of Charlie North and Jim Polkinghorn as part time parks employees. Doug Lindstrom explained this request is being presented to the City Council prior to the Park and Recreation Committee meeting, to allow Charlie and Jim to start work as soon as possible. The Park and Recreation Committee meeting had to be postponed from March 31st to April 7th due to the lack of a quorum. Both Charlie North and Jim Polkinghorn have worked for the Parks Department the last several years, and both have done a good job working for the City. After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Pickett to approve the hiring of Charlie North and Jim Polkinghorn as part time employees for the Parks Department effective this date. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning a request from representatives of the Pecatonica Valley Antique Club for a temporary ATV route from the campgrounds to the fairgrounds, for Antique Days in September. This is the same request as last year, using Cornelia Street as the route. Chief King reported on last years request, and experience. He stated he did not have any complaints from residents along the route; or any enforcement problems regarding this request. After discussion and consideration, motion by Sonsalla second by Anderson to approve the temporary ATV route request from representatives of the Pecatonica Valley Antique Club for Saturday and Sunday of Antique Days in September, 2010 as presented. By Voice Vote: Ayes: Sonsalla, Pickett, Anderson, Corley and Gough. Nay: Osterday. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning an application for a Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Darlington Chamber/Main Street Program for Cinco de Mayo, to be held in a fenced in area in the Festival Grounds, beginning at 8:00 AM, May 1, 2010 and ending at 1:00 AM, May 2, 2010. A copy of the application and approval letter from Chief King were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Pickett to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License application from Darlington Chamber/Main Street Program as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendations from the Finance and Personnel Committee:

- Vacation request from Jeremy Williams. Mayor Breunig reported Jeremy Williams is requesting one week vacation during his first year of employment. Currently this is not allowed by the City's personnel policy. The Finance and Personnel Committee recommended this request be denied. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Anderson to accept the Committee's recommendation, and deny the vacation request from Jeremy Williams as presented. Motion carried.
- Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Darlington and the Darlington Professional Police Association regarding the use of overtime, flexible scheduling, holiday pay and compensatory time. The Committee recommended approval of the proposed memorandum of understanding, pending approval of the agreement by the WPPA Union representative. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson to approve the memorandum of understanding as presented, pending approval of the agreement by the WPPA Union representative. This motion did not receive a second, and Alderperson Anderson withdrew the motion. It was the consensus of those present to have the WPPA Union representative review the memorandum of understanding and provide feedback; prior to the Council taking action on the agreement.

The December, 2009 and January, 2010 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. were then presented for approval. Several questions were asked regarding these statements. After review and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Anderson to approve the December, 2009 and January, 2010 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Pickett second by Anderson to approve the payment of the following March, 2010 vouchers: City vouchers #29707 thru #29830 in the amount of \$224,587.44; Payroll vouchers #18088 thru #18160 in the amount of \$51,891.44; Water Dept. vouchers #3983 thru #4004 in the amount of \$54,805.74; Sewer Dept. #4711 thru #4736 in the amount of \$36,334.56; and Library vouchers #4598 thru #4611 in the amount of \$9,877.85. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Alderperson Anderson reported on the Library Board meeting held March 29, 2010. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet. Mrs. Anderson highlighted several topics included in the minutes. Mayor Breunig reported he attended a Southwest Wisconsin Lobbying Day in Madison last Wednesday. He met with several legislators outside our area, promoting southwest Wisconsin. It was also reported Senator Schultz and Tom Jackson were in the Darlington area this past Monday. Alderperson Sonsalla reported on a Milwaukee Sports Show he attended. At that sports show, he distributed copies of Hidden Valleys magazine, and also promoted southwest Wisconsin. Chief King reported approximately \$17,000 has been committed in cash and pledges for the K-9 Unit. And Alderperson Corley asked if the Ordinance Committee earlier scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at 6:00 PM, could be held at 5:30 PM. That change was acceptable to those present. And Hillary Dickerson was complemented on the success of the Candidate Forum held this past Monday, at Bridges Restaurant.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Sonsalla second by Gough to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer