

CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS JULY 2, 2013

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: John Sonsalla, Don Osterday, Steve Pickett, Bev Anderson, Cindy Corley and Dave Gough. Absent: None. Also present were: Suzy Osterday, Jeremy Williams, Tallitha Reese and Phil Risseeuw.

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

Under comments from citizens present, Mayor Breunig thanked all the city employees for all their hard work cleaning up after the storm last week. He also thanked those who volunteered to help with the storm cleanup.

Under unfinished business, Alderperson Anderson reported representatives of Wis. Whey Protein will be in town on July 9th and 10th. The excavation work has started, and the City Office received a copy of the state approved building plans this date. Mayor Breunig then stated representatives of Krause Monument Company were in town to work on the War Memorial in the Main Street Median. He stated it was previously discussed to include a City contribution to this project in the 2013 budget; however he forgot to do so. The City's share of the restoration cost is \$1,050.00. Mayor Breunig stated the City should contribute to this project, and the matter will be placed on the next Council agenda for consideration. Alderperson Gough then stated someone from the City should obtain the highway detour permit to allow representatives of Krause Monument Company to do their work. Jeremy Williams stated he would make arrangements for the highway detour permit.

Under other unfinished business, Alderperson Anderson read a letter from Jason Davis stating he felt the City should save the pump house building on W. River Street. She also reported on the Property and Insurance Committee meeting held June 24, 2013. At that meeting, the committee decided to continue with the plans to demolish the building. After further discussion, it was decided to hold another meeting of the Property and Insurance Committee prior to the July 16, 2013 Council meeting to discuss the matter further.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning a proposal from a former Darlington resident to purchase and install lights along the sidewalks in Library Park and Veterans Memorial Park. Copies of the proposed location of the lights, and pictures of the light poles and globes were included in the agenda packet. Suzy Osterday attended the meeting to present the information and answer questions. Discussion was then held concerning the power source for the twenty new lights. After discussion and consideration, it was the consensus of those present to place this matter on the next Council agenda for consideration and action. Suzy Osterday then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning a Proposal for Preparation of an Operational Evaluation Report from representatives of Robert E. Lee & Associates. This report is a requirement of the Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for the wastewater treatment plant. A copy of the proposal was included in the agenda packet. Jeremy Williams attended the meeting to present the information and answer questions. Jeremy stated this report is required by our new wastewater discharge permit that went into effect on July 1, 2013. This is the first step of many steps to bring the wastewater treatment plant in compliance with new phosphorus regulations. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Osterday to accept the proposal from representatives of Robert E. Lee & Associates as presented. Motion carried.

Jeremy Williams then reported on the south well rehab that started last week. The well rehab was scheduled for last spring, but was postponed due to the drought conditions. Jeremy stated the well shaft and casing has been pulled, and will be cleaned and repaired. The well rehab work should be completed by the end of this month. The estimated cost of this work is \$30,000.00. Jeremy then left the meeting.

The City's 2013 assessment value as certified by the Board of Review was presented for review. A copy of an assessment summary was included in the agenda packet. The 2013 total assessed value is \$94,393,000; which is \$389,000 lower than the 2012 assessed value of \$94,782,000.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendation from the Park and Recreation Committee. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet.

- Approve purchase of Jacobs Ladder exercise machine. The Committee is recommending the approval of this purchase, at a cost of \$3,725.00 from Ritter Funds. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Sonsalla to approve the purchase of a Jacobs Ladder exercise machine as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Pickett second by Anderson to approve the payment of the following June, 2013 vouchers: City vouchers #33743 thru #33848 in the amount of \$171,726.49; Payroll voucher #18989 and direct deposit vouchers #2772 thru #2863 in the amount of \$57,349.67; Water Dept. vouchers #4731 thru #4745 in the amount of \$14,575.48; Sewer Dept. vouchers #5495 thru #5517 in the amount of \$46,404.50; and Library vouchers #4996 thru #5003 in the amount of \$9,847.89. Motion carried.

The May 31, 2013 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. were then presented for review and approval. Copies of those financial statements were included in the agenda packet. After review and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Anderson to approve the May 31, 2013 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. as presented. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Alderperson Anderson reported on the Property and Insurance Committee meeting held June 24, 2013. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet. She reported that meeting was discussed earlier at this meeting under unfinished business. And Mayor Breunig encouraged those present to attend several upcoming community events.

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

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer