

CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OCTOBER 6, 2009

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: Bev Anderson, Cindy Corley, Dave Gough, John Sonsalla and Don Osterday. Excused absence: Steve Pickett. Also present were: Jim Mann of Ehlers Associates; Bob Salmi, Bill McDaniel, Jason King and Phil Risseeuw.

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

Under new business, discussion was held concerning bids received for proposed sewer main replacement work. Copies of the bid results and letter of recommendation from representatives of Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc., were included in the agenda packet. The low bid was submitted by Rule Construction, in the amount of \$599,140.00. Mr. Jim Mann of Ehlers Associates, the City's financial advisor, attended the meeting to help the Council analyze the current and future cash flow for the sewer department. A determination needs to be made if the sewer department can cash flow a 100% Clean Water Fund loan to finance the sewer main replacement work; or if some of the sewer department reserve funds should be used to finance a portion of the proposed work.

Mr. Mann distributed a handout at this meeting that included cash flow information for the sewer department; historical and projected, for the years 2006 through 2013. He also provided cash flow information regarding three different borrowing options available to the sewer department. Based on the cash flow analysis, each available option will cash flow at the 100% borrowing level. Mr. Mann's recommendation was to borrow the loan funds from the Clean Water Fund, as their present fixed interest rate is 2.995%. Jim also agreed to work with representatives of Wis. DNR to assist city representatives in obtaining these loan funds.

In addition to the \$599,140.00 bid amount from Rule Construction, engineering fees need to be added for this project, in the amount of \$83,500.00. The total funds needed to be approved at this meeting then are \$682,640.00. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Sonsalla to accept the \$599,140.00 bid amount from Rule Construction, and authorize payment of engineering fees up to the amount of \$83,500.00; for a total amount of \$682,640.00. Motion carried. Jim Mann and Bill McDaniel then left the meeting.

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

- Approve a pool sandblasting bid from Yeazle Sandblasting. The bid submitted was a time and material bid at \$40.00 per hour, with a not to exceed maximum of \$10,000.00, for sandblasting of the entire swimming pool. This work was previously done in 1988. After discussion and consideration, motion by Corley second by Anderson to accept the pool sandblasting bid from Yeazle Sandblasting as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning a proposed contract with Vandewalle & Associates to provide current planning services in 2010. A copy of the proposed contract was included in the agenda packet. The proposed contract is a time and material proposal, based on requested services throughout the year. Discussion was then held concerning what possible services representatives of Vandewalle & Associates could help us with in 2010; and how would their fee be incorporated into the 2010 City budget. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Osterday to table action on this proposed contract. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Resolution 2009-15, A Resolution Authorizing the Implementation of a Canine Unit within the Darlington Police Department and Authorizing Fundraising Activities to Accomplish Said Implementation. A copy of the proposed resolution was included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Osterday to approve proposed Resolution 2009-15 as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the annual adjustment to the Municipal Building lease agreement with Lafayette County. A copy of the operating expense worksheet and Lafayette County rental amount calculation was included in the agenda packet. The rental amount calculation shows a \$186.00 increase in annual lease costs for Lafayette County for 2010. After review and consideration, motion by Gough second by Sonsalla to approve the annual adjustment to the Municipal Building lease agreement with Lafayette County as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning Trick or Treat hours for Halloween, October 31, 2009. Chief King reported he had considered changing the hours for this year, making them earlier. However, after consulting with several interested parties, he decided to keep the hours the same for this year, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Corley to set Trick or Treat hours for 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM for Halloween, October 31, 2009, with the activation of the fire siren at 8:00 PM to designate the end of this event. Motion carried.

Motion by Osterday second by Gough to approve the payment of the following September, 2009 vouchers: City vouchers #29095 thru #29211 in the amount of \$114,548.26; Payroll vouchers #17623 thru #17698 in the amount of \$53,943.00; Water Dept. vouchers #3856 thru #3876 in the amount of \$166,860.76; Sewer Dept. vouchers #4578 thru #4599 in the amount of \$34,116.79; and Library vouchers #4546 thru #4553 in the amount of \$8,779.46. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees: Alderperson Anderson reported on the Library Board meeting held October 5, 2009; Alderperson Gough reported on the Police Commission meeting also held October 5, 2009; Mayor Breunig reminded those present of the Finance and Personnel Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2009, and the Plan Commission meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 8, 2009; and another meeting of the Finance and Personnel Committee was then scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, 2009 for presentation and review of proposed 2010 department budgets.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Sonsalla second by Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer