

**CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**NOVEMBER 17, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Breunig at 7:03 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Present at roll call were: Don Osterday, Steve Pickett, Bev Anderson, Cindy Corley, Dave Gough and John Sonsalla. Absent: None. Also present were: Doug Lindstrom, Bill McDaniel, Jason King, Attorney Lori Lubinsky and Phil Risseuw.

Motion by Anderson second by Pickett that the meeting notice and agenda were properly posted. Motion carried. Motion by Pickett second by Corley to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2009 Council meeting. Motion carried. Motion by Anderson second by Gough to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2009 Special Council meeting. Motion carried.

Under unfinished business, motion by Gough second by Pickett to go into *closed session* in accordance with Section 19.85 (1) (g) Wis. Stats., to consult with legal counsel regarding the Lafayette County Historical Society vs. City of Darlington matter. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried. Jason King then left the meeting.

Motion by Pickett second by Anderson to reconvene to *regular session* in accordance with Section 19.85 (2) Wis. Stats., to take action if necessary regarding the Lafayette County Historical Society vs. City of Darlington matter. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Osterday to approve the removal of the access ramp to the restroom/shower facility in Pecatonica River Trails Park from Lafayette County Historical Society property; and instruct Attorney Lubinsky to negotiate the closure of the legal action. Roll Call Vote: Pickett, Corley, Gough, Sonsalla and Osterday. Nay: Anderson. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning bids received to relocate the ramp to the restroom/shower building in Pecatonica River Trails Park. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Sonsalla to instruct Doug Lindstrom to contact the two construction firms who submitted bids, and request updated cost numbers; since their bids are over four months old. No vote was taken on this motion, as this would delay the ramp removal work until after the first Council meeting in December.

After further discussion, motion by Gough second by Anderson to accept the bid from Hickory Ridge Construction Inc., in the amount of \$9,615.23; have him remove the ramp as soon as possible from Laf. Co. Historical Society property; and then rebuild the ramp in the spring, prior to the 2010 camping season. Motion carried. Attorney Lubinsky and Doug Lindstrom then left the meeting.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning proposed resolution 2009-17, A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$258,294 Waterworks System Revenue Bonds, Series 2009, and Providing for Other Details and Covenants with Respect Thereto. A copy of the proposed resolution was included in the agenda packet.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Anderson to approve Resolution 2009-17, A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$258,294 Waterworks System Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning a proposed Financial Assistance Agreement for a State of Wisconsin Safe Drinking Water Loan Program and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Assistance Program Loan/Grant. A copy of the proposed agreement was included in the agenda packet. This information has also been reviewed by the City's financial planner, Jim Mann of Ehlers and Associates, Inc. Mr. Mann sent a handout for Council review at this meeting. The handout shows the Municipal Water Department does have sufficient net income to handle this additional debt obligation.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Anderson to approve the proposed Financial Assistance Agreement for a State of Wisconsin Safe Drinking Water Loan Program and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Assistance Program Loan/Grant as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried.

The Notice of Spring Election was then presented for review. The Spring Election for the City of Darlington will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2010. Municipal Offices on the ballot for that election are Mayor and three Alderperson positions. The first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2009. Additional information and candidate packets can be obtained at the Clerk-Treasurer's office.

The final 2009 assessment values summary report was then presented for review. With the inclusion of manufacturing assessed values, the total assessed value of the City of Darlington's real estate and personal property is \$109,048,800, which is \$1,846,200 higher than the 2008 amount.

The October 31, 2009 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. were presented for review and approval. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Gough to approve the October 31, 2009 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. as presented. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Mayor Breunig reported on the Plan Commission meeting held just prior to this Council meeting. And Cindy Corley reported on the Policies, Procedures and Ordinance Committee meeting held just prior to this Council meeting.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Sonsalla second by Corley to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer