

**CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
DECEMBER 3, 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: Don Osterday, Steve Pickett, Bev Anderson, Cindy Corley, Dave Gough and John Sonsalla. Absent: None. Also present were: Tallitha Reese, Jeremy Williams, Jason King and Phil Risseeuw.

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

Under unfinished business, Alderperson Corley distributed a copy of draft By-Laws of Rural Medical Ambulance Service, Inc. to Mayor Breunig and Council members at this meeting. She asked them to review the by-laws, and return any comments about the document to her. She also reported the Rural Medical Board is interviewing Director Applicants this Thursday evening. Alderperson Sonsalla then reported Dick Ruf has constructed his storage building at his property on County Shop Road. And he also requested a report from Mike Reuter of Wis. Municipal Building Inspection, on the work he completed this past summer. Mayor Breunig stated he would contact Mr. Reuter, and ask him to attend a future Council meeting.

Under new business, it was the consensus of those present to go out of agenda order and take up new business item 8 (c). Discussion was then held concerning the proposed 2014 Salary and Wage Rate schedule. A copy of the proposed 2014 schedule along with a copy of the previously approved 2013 salary and wage rate schedule were included in the agenda packet. At this meeting, Alderperson Pickett distributed a copy of a spreadsheet comparing the 2013 and 2014 amounts side by side. The spreadsheet also showed the percentage change between the 2013 and 2014 numbers. Discussion was then held concerning salary and wages listed for the Police Department. Those numbers exceeded the 2.0% wage increase authorized by Mayor Breunig. However, the Police Department salary and wages were previously approved by the Police Commission and Finance and Personnel Committee. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Anderson to approve the 2014 Salary and Wage Rate schedule as presented. Motion carried. The meeting then returned to normal agenda order.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Ordinance 07-2013, City of Darlington Budget Adoption and Tax Levy Ordinance. A copy of the proposed ordinance was included in the agenda packet. The proposed 2014 budget calls for total revenues of \$2,301,335.00; total expenditures of \$2,301,070.00; and includes a tax levy of \$969,717.00. After review and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Anderson to adopt Ordinance 07-2013, City of Darlington Budget Adoption and Tax Levy Ordinance as presented. By Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning appointment of City of Darlington Election Officials for 2014 & 2015. A copy of the proposed list of Election Officials was included in the agenda packet. The list includes Chief Election Inspectors and Election Workers, a total of seventeen people. It was reported, four possible elections may be held in 2014. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Sonsalla to appoint the list of City of Darlington Election Officials as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning a Christmas gift for full time City employees. It was reported in the past, \$50 in Chamber/Main Street gift certificates were given to each full time City employee as a Christmas gift. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Pickett to approve \$50 Chamber/Main Street gift certificates again this year as Christmas gifts for full time City employees. Motion carried.

Motion by Pickett second by Osterday to approve the payment of the following November, 2013 vouchers: City vouchers #34253 thru #34330 in the amount of \$535,586.04; Direct Deposit payroll vouchers #3270 thru #3343 in the amount of \$49,048.02; Water Dept. vouchers #4808 thru #4817 in the amount of \$8,422.95; Sewer Dept. vouchers #5586 thru #5600 in the amount of \$29,967.26; and Library vouchers #5046 thru #5052 in the amount of \$9,146.67. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Alderperson Anderson reported on the Library Board meeting held November 25, 2013. A copy of the meeting minutes was distributed to those present at this meeting. Mayor Breunig then reported a Park and Recreation Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 11, 2013. 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 7:30 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseeuw, Clerk-Treasurer