

CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 20, 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 and Cindy Corley. Excused absence: Dave Gough and John Sonsalla. Also present were: Bill McDaniel, Jeremy Williams, Brandon Masbruch, Matt Anderson, Dick Tuescher, Tallitha Reese and Phil Risseeuw.

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

Under comments from citizens present, Brandon Masbruch and Matt Anderson, Crew Chief and Assistant Crew Chief of Rural Medical Ambulance Service, attended the meeting to update those present on the changes taking place at Rural Medical. Brandon stated he is getting things turned around. He is re-establishing the billing connection with Medicare, and they are working on their budget for 2014. They are making some operational changes, however there will not be an increase in cost to the taxpayers of their district. They are also recruiting new members, and so far have recruited three ambulance drivers and five EMT's. Mayor Breunig and others thanked Brandon and Matt for all their hard work with Rural Medical Ambulance Service. Brandon then told the Council if any of them had any additional questions, they can attend the Rural Medical Board meetings, or contact him directly. Brandon Masbruch, Matt Anderson and Dick Tuescher then left the meeting.

Under unfinished business, discussion was held concerning an Amendment to Owner and Engineer for Professional Services Agreement, regarding the sewer main replacement project. A copy of the proposed amendment was distributed to Council members at this meeting. The total estimated contract amount is \$199,700.00. Jeremy Williams attended the meeting to present the information and answer questions. Jeremy stated of the total amount, only the design phase and application phases have been authorized by the Council. The rest of the contract will be authorized upon approval of funding for this project. Jeremy also stated he is meeting with representatives of the Town of Darlington to discuss the portion of the project that affects township roads. He also stated he feels the project will take approximately three and one-half months to complete. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Pickett to approve the Amendment to Owner and Engineer for Professional Services Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

Under other unfinished business, Alderperson Anderson reported she and Doug Lindstrom met with the electrician that is going to install the lights along the sidewalks in Library Park and Veterans Memorial Park. She stated the light poles and globes will be twelve feet tall. This project is scheduled to start yet this month. And Alderperson Osterday stated there is a crack in one sections of the new concrete medians in the 200 block of Main Street. Jeremy Williams stated he would check it out.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning the following recommendation from the Park and Recreation Committee. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet.

- Approve increase in Zumba instructor wage rate. As was previously approved, the Zumba instructor's current wage rate is \$12.00 per hour. The Committee is recommending a wage rate increase to \$15.00 per hour, to bring this instructor in line with other dance instructors. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Pickett to accept the Committee's recommendation and increase the Zumba instructor wage rate to \$15.00 per hour. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendation from the Finance and Personnel Committee.

- Approve promotion of Al Hinderman to Maintenance Supervisor position. Mayor Breunig reported the Committee is recommending approval of the promotion of Al Hinderman; including an increase in pay to the pay rate Dave Williams was previously receiving. The effective date of the pay increase is retroactive to May 1, 2013. After discussion and consideration, motion by Anderson second by Corley to approve the promotion of Al Hinderman to the Maintenance Supervisor position as presented, with a six month probation period. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendation from the Property and Insurance Committee.

- Disposition of pump house building on W. River Street. No recommendation was made by the Property and Insurance Committee concerning this matter. Their meeting was held just prior to this Council meeting. Alderperson Anderson reported committee members decided to hold a joint meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission and Property and Insurance Committee to consider the designation of the pump house building as a historic structure. The meeting was scheduled for Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 6:00 PM.

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

Under reports of committees, Mayor Breunig encouraged those present to attend the League of Wisconsin Municipalities Annual Conference scheduled for October 16-18, at Hyatt/KI Center in Green Bay.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Anderson second by Pickett to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer