

**CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**JUNE 2, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mike McDermott at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Present at roll call were: Steve Pickett, Erin Gallagher, Ray Spellman, Dave Gough, Josh Goebel and Dave Roelli. Absent: None. Also present were: Bill McDaniel, Wade Berget, Amy Prine, Jeremy Williams, Bart Nies of Delta 3 Engineering, Inc., Tom Van Matre, John Sonsalla, John and Christine Virtue, Brian Lund and Phil Risseeuw.

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

Under unfinished business, discussion was held concerning bids received for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements – Sludge Storage Tank construction Project. Bart Nies of Delta 3 Engineering, Inc., attended the meeting to present information and answer questions. Bart distributed a bid results handout to those present at the meeting. Four bids were received for this project, and the low bid of \$357,415.00 was submitted by Temperley Excavating, Inc., from East Dubuque, IL.

Mr. Nies stated Temperley Excavating's management and crew has limited experience with this type of project, however they will be using experienced sub-contracts for some of the work. Bart also stated the crew may need more supervision during the construction project. The owner of Temperley Excavating stated they can start this project in mid to late July, and the project completion date is November 6, 2020. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Roelli to accept the \$357,415.00 bid from Temperley Excavating, Inc., as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following items related to the Main Street reconstruction project. Bart Nies of Delta 3 Engineering, Inc., attended the meeting to present this information and answer questions. Copies of the four resolutions were included in the agenda packet. Bart distributed a copy of the Water System Asset Management Plan at this meeting. All of this information is related to grant and loan applications to the WDNR Safe Drinking Water Program and Clean Water Fund Program. The grant/loan funds will be used to finance the cost of the water main and sewer main portions of the street reconstruction project.

- WDNR Safe Drinking Water Loan Program, An Authorized Representative Resolution Environmental Improvement Fund, Resolution 2020-02. This resolution appoints Mayor McDermott as the authorized representative for the City of Darlington, for the purpose of filing these grant/loan applications. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Gallagher to approve Resolution 2020-02, An Authorized Representative Resolution as presented. Motion carried.
- WDNR Safe Drinking Water Loan Program, A Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures, Resolution 2020-03. This resolution authorizes the reimbursement of expenditures made by the City with grant/loan funds when they become available. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Pickett to approve Resolution 2020-03, A Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as presented. Motion carried.
- WDNR Clean Water Fund Authorized Representative Resolution Environmental Improvement Fund, Resolution 2020-04. This resolution appoints Mayor McDermott as the authorized representative for the City of Darlington, for the purpose of filing these grant/loan applications.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Goebel to approve Resolution 2020-04, An Authorized Representative Resolution as presented. Motion carried.

- WDNR Clean Water Fund Program, A Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures, Resolution 2020-05. This resolution authorizes the reimbursement of expenditures made by the City with grant/loan funds when they become available. After discussion and consideration, motion by Goebel second by Pickett to approve Resolution 2020-05, A Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as presented. Motion carried.
- Water System Asset Management Plan. Bart explained having an asset management plan provides an additional 10 points when our grant/loan applications are evaluated by representatives of the WDNR. The asset management plan includes an inventory of water mains, hydrants, water towers and wells. After review and consideration, motion by Roelli second by Gallagher to approve the Water System Asset Management Plan as presented. Motion carried.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning a request for renewal of conditional use permit from Thomas Van Matre for his property located at 153 E River St. Tom attended the meeting to present his request and answer questions. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Pickett to renew the conditional use permit request from Thomas Van Matre for his property located at 153 E River St. as presented. Motion carried. Tom Van Matre then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning a Petition for Direct Annexation of Territory to the City of Darlington, Lafayette County, Wisconsin by Unanimous Approval Pursuant to Sec. 66.0217 (2) of the Wisconsin Statutes; from John C. and Christine M. Virtue. A copy of the petition was included in the agenda packet. Mr. and Mrs. Virtue attended the meeting to present their request and answer questions. Mr. Virtue stated the land being annexed includes two parcels, the NAPA building property and the vacant lot to the south. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Gallagher to accept the Petition of Direct Annexation of Territory to the City of Darlington from John and Christine Virtue as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning proposed Ordinance 02-2020, An Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Darlington, Wisconsin. A copy of the proposed ordinance was included in the agenda packet. This ordinance pertains to the Petition for Direct Annexation of Territory to the City of Darlington from John C. and Christine M. Virtue accepted during this meeting. After discussion and consideration, motion by Pickett second by Gallagher to adopt Ordinance 02-2020, An Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Darlington, Wisconsin as presented. Motion carried. John and Christine Virtue, Bart Nies and Jeremy Williams then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendations from the Park and Recreation Committee. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet. Wade Berget and Amy Prine attended the meeting to present information and answer questions regarding these recommendations.

- 2020 swimming pool season. The Committee is recommending opening the pool July 1st; following operating recommendations and guidelines from the City of Monroe's plan and the CDC. Wade stated they would do their best to comply with all the recommendations and guidelines, however with limited staff available, it may not be possible. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gallagher second by Pickett to keep the pool closed for the 2020 season. By Voice Vote: Ayes: Gallagher, Pickett, Spellman, Gough and Roelli. Nay: Goebel. Motion carried.
- 2020 youth/adult summer recreation programs. The Committee is recommending offering 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys baseball if there are enough boys interested; and allowing the adult softball and volleyball programs to use city facilities, if they have enough people interested in participating.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Goebel second by Roelli to accept the Committee's recommendation and approve the offering of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys baseball and use of city facilities by adult softball teams and volleyball teams as presented. Motion carried.

- Opening of park restrooms, shelters, etc. Wade reported he has opened the city playgrounds for public use. It was suggested he post notices at the playground sites that people are using the playground equipment at their own risk. Wade then stated he won't be turning the water on for any of the water bubblers the city owns. He then stated the Committee is recommending the opening of park restrooms and shelters by June 15<sup>th</sup>. Wade stated they could have the restrooms and shelters open earlier, as they are almost all ready to go. After discussion and consideration, motion by Goebel second by Roelli to accept the Committee's recommendation and open the park restrooms and shelters when ready. By Voice Vote: Ayes: Goebel, Roelli, Gallagher, Spellman and Gough. Nays: Pickett. Motion carried.
- Opening of Wellness Center and gym. Amy Prine stated the Committee is recommending to keep the Wellness Center closed for now, and revisit the matter at their next committee meeting. Amy then reported on some of the CDC guidelines that need to be followed if the facility is opened again. She also stated we don't have enough staff to monitor all areas of the Wellness Center, and implement the CDC guidelines. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gallagher second by Goebel to keep the Wellness Center closed until further notice. Motion carried.

Wade Berget and Amy Prine then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning an Original Alcohol Beverage License application from Booby's Bar LLC, d/b/a Booby's Bar, Jared McGranahan, Agent, 301 Main Street, Darlington, WI 53530. This license is to replace the license formerly held by Trailside Bar, LLC, d/b/a Trailside Bar, Timothy Appell, Agent, at the same location. Copies of the license application and approval letter from Chief King were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Pickett to approve the Original Alcohol Beverage License application from Booby's Bar LLC as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning Renewal Alcohol Beverage License Applications for the license period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021. A copy of the notice for license applications requesting renewal and approval letter from Chief King was included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Roelli second by Goebel to approve the following renewal alcohol beverage license applications as presented:

**Class "A" Retailer's License, Beer Only:**

- Casey's Marketing Co., d/b/a Casey's General Store, Heidi Marcyes, Agent, 145 Main St., Darlington, WI 53530.
- C & D Properties, Inc., d/b/a Darlington Mini Mart, Kathryn Hasburgh, Agent, 1310 Galena St., Darlington, WI 53530.
- Jesus' Angel Almeyda, d/b/a Mi Canton, 314 Main St., Darlington, WI 53530.

**Class "A" Retailer's Combination License:**

- Piggly Wiggly Midwest, LLC, d/b/a Piggly Wiggly Supermarket, Abby McKillip, Agent, 149 Wells St., Darlington, WI 53530.
- New Horizons Supply Cooperative, d/b/a New Horizons, Janet Nielsen, Agent, 11670 State Road 23, Darlington, WI 53530.
- Marcelino Lobato, d/b/a Veracruz II, 413 Main St., Darlington, WI 53530.

**Class "B" Retailer's Combination License:**

- Legends LLC, d/b/a Legends, Fred R. Fink, Agent, 345-347 Main St., Darlington, WI 53530.
- Mark A. Salathe, d/b/a Salathe's Saloon, 414 Main St., Darlington, WI 53530.

- Jackson's Confectionery LLC, d/b/a Annie's Bar and Grill, Lacey Pickett, Agent, 300 Washington St., Darlington, WI 53530.
- The Spot Partners LLC, d/b/a The Spot, Bryan C. Bredeson, Agent, 120 W. Alice St., Darlington, WI 53530.
- American Legion Post #214, Dan O'Brien, Agent, 1400 Keep St., Darlington, WI 53530.
- Bridges Hospitality Inc., d/b/a Bridges Hospitality, Paresh Patel, Agent, 201 Christensen Drive, Darlington, WI 53530.
- Glennie's LLC, d/b/a Glennie's, Lori Garvey, Agent, 203 Main St., Darlington, WI 53530.

Motion carried. John Sonsalla then left the meeting.

Motion by Roelli second by Pickett to approve the payment of the following April, 2020 vouchers: City vouchers #41478 thru #41549 in the amount of \$100,556.27; Direct deposit payroll vouchers #10340 thru #10432 in the amount of \$80,151.93; Water Dept. vouchers #6356 thru #6374 in the amount of \$21,261.00; Sewer Dept. vouchers #7147 thru #7165 in the amount of \$153,047.23; and Library vouchers #5622 thru #5628 in the amount of \$15,762.85. Motion carried.

The April 30, 2020 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 Pickett second by Roelli to approve the April 30, 2020 financial statements for the City, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. as presented. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Alderperson Gallagher reported on the Library Board meeting held May 26, 2020. Mayor McDermott reported Alderperson Pickett has agreed to be the City's representative on the Darlington Chamber/Main Street Board. And it was reported representatives of Johnson Block and Co., will not be making a presentation to the City Council on the 2019 Audit Report. Copies of the audit report and related information were included with the agenda packet for this meeting.

Motion by Gough second by Goebel to go into closed session in accordance with Section 19.85 (1) (e) Wis. Stats., to review and consider an agreement between the City of Darlington and the Darlington Professional Police Association. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roelli second by Gough to reconvene to regular session in accordance with Section 19.85 (2) Wis. Stats., to take action if necessary concerning an agreement between the City of Darlington and the Darlington Professional Police Association; and adjourn the meeting. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Roelli second by Pickett to approve the 2020 thru 2022 agreement between the City of Darlington and Darlington Professional Police Association as presented. Motion carried.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Gough second by Goebel to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer