

**DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD**  
**MINUTES (*Pending Approval*)**  
**MAY 27, 2015**

Council President Justin Sparrow opened the meeting with council member Marilyn Cohee present.

At this time the council recognized Kristy Jerrell, our Grant Administrator via speakerphone. Ms. Jerrell explained there was only one bid received to remodel the Darlington Community Center which was \$44,779.00 over the amount allocated in the grant project costs. There was then a discussion if the town could come up with this much more money for the project, making the town's portion over \$100,000.00. Clerk-Treasurer Judy Anderson advised against taking more money from the utilities for this project. Ms. Jerrell reported it is possible to prolong this process and re-bid the project which has no guarantee we would even get any more bids at that time and they could be more costly. Then there was a discussion to change the scope of the grant plan by not moving the Town Hall and Utility office to the Darlington Community Center. Ms. Jerrell spoke with Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs (OCRA) this morning about the situation and they advised her to send them an email explaining the situation. OCRA will then speak to the director for an informal approval before we can proceed with the legal steps to take the town offices out of the plan. Mrs. Cohee made a motion to eliminate the town offices on the OCRA grant and to move forward with the modification request; Mr. Sparrow seconded all was in favor.

At this time the council telephoned architect, Gordon Clark to let him know the latest information.

Ms. Anderson presented the council with a resolution to borrow funds for the new Kubota mower bought from Booth Machinery to be used at the Old School Park. Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the resolution to borrow the money to buy the mower; Mr. Sparrow seconded all was in favor.

Mrs. Cohee reported that she spoke with the landowner of the vacant lot at 204 S. Madison St. about the dilapidated shed that raccoons are living in and a large tree that is starting to split and is beginning to lay on Mr. and Mrs. Wilson's home and propane tank. Mr. Sparrow reported he will be getting the shed repaired and that the landowner will get the tree trimmed.

At this time Ms. Anderson reported T&S Trash Service called her stating that 208 W. Harrison St. sat out several cans of paint with cat litter sprinkled on top. The trash pick-up thought the litter absorbed the paint but it hadn't so there is white paint on several streets now.

At this time it was decided to change the September 10, 2015 council meeting to September 17, 2015

Meeting Adjourned.