

**DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD
MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2019**

Call to Order

President Kim Carpenter opened the meeting, along with all Council Members present. Also present, Clerk Treasurer Michelle Cash, Town Maintenance Tim Shoptaw, Wastewater Operator Mike McKinney, Deputy Marshall Bob Rivers, and Utility Billing Clerk Morgan Biggs.

Staff & Elected Official Report

Attorney Report – None

Wastewater Report – Two discharges for the month of September, 2019. The clean out was completed for the two properties in town.

Electric Report – The Utility Linesmen were not present but reported that tree trimming is still an ongoing project. Nothing new to report on the Banjo project.

MVH Report – MVH Superintendent/ Electric Brian Mullen was not present.

Town Marshal – Deputy Marshall Rivers had nothing to report. President Carpenter asked if he would make sure that the schedules were in the mailbox or given to the board at the meetings for that month. The town board also informed Deputy Rivers that the Police Department would be taking over the code enforcement job and serving the notices to the property owners, as well as updating the board at the next scheduled meeting.

Park - Tim Shoptaw –Reported that softball was over for the year. Mr. Shoptaw reported to the board and police department that vandalizing is an ongoing issue at the park in the evenings and would like for the police department to do some extra patrolling in the evening.

Code Enforcement Officer Position will be removed from the town as of October 1, 2019.

Motion was made by Mrs. Cohee, seconded by Mr. Sparrow. Motion Approved (5-0)

Utility Billing Clerk Morgan Biggs present the Utility Board with the September Monthly Report.

Clerk Treasurer Mrs. Cash asked the council to consider raising the deposit amount of the electric meters, and have one flat amount for all residential meters, and one flat amount for commercial meters.

The Utility Board meeting ended at 5:15 p.m.

President Kim Carpenter opened the meeting with the pledge followed Mr. Ron Hatley with the prayer.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the September 3, 2019 and September 11, 2019, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0)

Money Matters

Motion to approve the payroll and appropriation reports was made by Mrs. Sutherlin, seconded by Mrs. Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

New Business

The 1st reading of the 2020 Salary Ordinance was read. Some changes were made and the update will be at the 2nd reading in November.

Old Business

Covered Bridge Renovation has started. President needed an update on when the trees would be cut down in order for them to start on the roof.

Council Members Report

Marilyn Cohee – Update on the Community Center – Mrs. Cohee received a bill from Clerk Treasurer Cash on re wiring for the Fish Fry Festival. Mrs. Cohee was representing the DFI and asked if the town electric budget would cover the cost of the bill. President Carpenter thought the bill should be split between the DFI and the Darlington American Legion. A motion was made by Mr. Sparrow to have the DFI pay the Kirby Risk bill, seconded by Mr. Hatley. Motion Approved (3-1-1) Mrs. Cohee, abstained, and President Carpenter voted no.

Teresa Sutherlin – None

Justin Sparrow – None

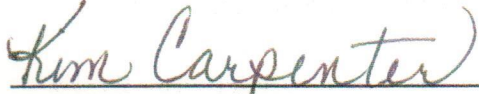
Ron Hatley – None

Kim Carpenter – Asked the Clerk Treasurer and Board to advertise a Storm Water meeting at 6:00 p.m. on November 4th after the regular scheduled board meeting. All agreed this would be the best time to finalize the plan!

Public Comment – None

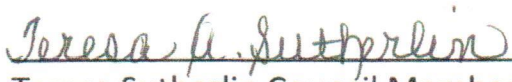
Next schedule meeting will be on November 4, 2019 – 4:00 p.m. –Utility Board Meeting
5:00 p.m. – Regular Scheduled Meeting
6:00 p.m. – Storm Water Meeting

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Mrs. Teresa Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0).



Kim Carpenter, Council President

Ron Hatley, Vice President




Teresa Sutherlin Council Member



Justin Sparrow, Council Member



Marilyn Cohee, Council Member

Attest: 

Michelle R. Cash, Clerk-Treasurer