

**DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 3, 2022**

Call to Order

President Nicole Parker opened the meeting with all council members present. Mrs. Teresa Sutherlin will replace Mrs. Carpenter who resigned as of December 31, 2021, also attending were Clerk Treasurer Michelle Cash, Code Enforcement Officer Mike Smith and Marshall Kevin Crull.

President Parker gave the pledge, followed by Mrs. Suiter with the prayer.

At this time President Parker made a motion for Mr. Nick Riddell to be the Vice President, seconded by Mrs. Suiter. Motion Approved (5-0)

Public Comment – Animal Welfare League Director Misha Anderson wanted to address the council regarding the 2022 contract. Mrs. Anderson presented the council with a spreadsheet with the hopes of changing the cancelling of the contract for 2022. After much discussion the council will remain with no signed contract for the year 2022. The Darlington Police Department will be taking over the duties of strayed animals.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the January 6, 2022, regular meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0).

Money Matters

Motion to approve the payroll and appropriation report was made by Mr. Riddell, seconded by Mrs. Suiter. Motion Approved (5-0)

Clerk Cash presented the 2021 Annual Report to the council for approval. A motion to approve the report was made by President Parker, seconded by Mrs. Suiter. Motion Approved (5-0)

New Business

No new business

Old Business:

A motion was made by Mrs. Sutherlin to approve Ordinance 1-2022- 2nd reading of the Fireworks Ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. Sutherlin to approve Ordinance 2-2022- 2nd reading of the Burn Ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. Sutherlin to approve Ordinance 3-2022- 2nd reading of the Capital Asset Policy Ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

Marshall Kevin Crull informed the council that the police car will be fully financed at one payment of \$14,910.00 for four years and that price includes all the equipment necessary to make it road ready. John Jones will be the seller on the 2021 dodge Durango PPV V8 AWD.

Mrs. Suitor presented a job description and contract to pay 15,000.00 to hire back Bob Cash as Park Manager. The job description and contract will be kept on file at the town hall. This position was approved on the 2022 salary ordinance. A motion to hire Mr. Cash back if he agrees to the term affective immediately was made by Vice President Riddell, seconded by President Parker. Motion Approved (5-0)

Clerk Cash reported that she had not received last years spreadsheets from Mrs. Melissa Cain girls' softball and Mr. Josh Bronaugh for boy's baseball. Mrs. Cash was instructed to send a letter to both to find to remind them to turn in the 2021 information.

There is no update on the Covered Bridge.

The council approved for Mr. Mullen to have the locks changed at the Community Center, Mr. Mullen has a scheduled appointment. The council decided to have Mr. Mullen go purchase a stove for the center. The stove had been approved by the council in 2021, just not purchased yet.

The Festival Committee will be having the festival at the park. The committee will need some extra electrical service put in to accommodate the food vendors and the stage. A motion to approve the electrical service was made by President Parker, seconded by Vice President Riddell. Motion Approved (5-0)

Staff & Elected Official Report

Attorney Report – none

Wastewater Report – Troy McKinney reported three plant discharge during January 2022. This occurred due to a faulty air valve. The air valve has been repaired.

Electric Report – none

MVH Report -none

Darlington Police Department - Marshall Kevin Crull sent the February schedule by email.

Park – The council we be putting together a group to spring the park. The town clean up day will be June 11th at the park.

Code Enforcement Officers –Mr. Smith update the council on a couple of issues with abandoned vehicles. He will address these now that the snow has been removed.

Clerk Treasurer Cash presented the billing report for the month of January 2022. Clerk Cash reminded the council she was still looking for someone to head the downtown flower pots for this spring. Mrs. Sutherlin said she would take that job and put together a committee to be the Darlington downtown flower committee. Mrs. Cash asked if we could purchase parking signs for the Community Center, the council agreed the center needed signs. a motion to appoint Amanda Wilson to the Darlington Library Board, a motion to approve the appointment for 4 years was made by Mrs. Cohee, seconded by Mr. Riddell. Motion Approved (4-0). Clerk Cash informed the council after talking to Marshall Crull her office would take the information for gun permits and leave for police department, and do the inspections on the golf carts when no officer is available. Clerk Cash will be presenting the 2021 Annual Report at the February 2022 meeting.

Council Members Report

Marilyn Cohee – Nothing

Teresa Sutherlin – Mrs. Sutherlin will be the liaison to the library.

Noelle Suiter – Nothing

Nick Riddell – Nothing

Nicole Parker - Nothing

Public Comment – None

Town Board and Utility Board Monthly meeting will be on March 3, 2022 – 5:00 p.m. –
Darlington Community Center.

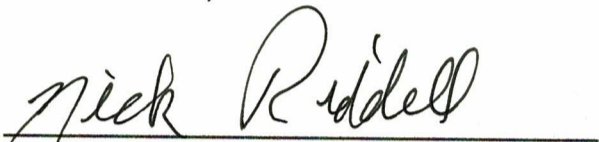
Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Riddell seconded by Ms. Parker. Motion Approved
(5-0).



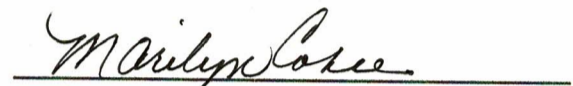
Nicole Parker, President



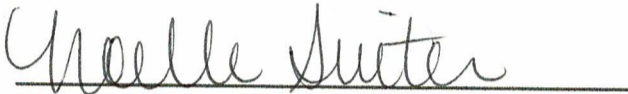
Teresa Sutherlin, Council Member



Nick Riddell, Vice President



Marilyn Cohee, Council Member



Noelle Suiter, Council Member

Attest:



Michelle R. Cash, Clerk-Treasurer