

**DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD  
MINUTES  
OCTOBER 6, 2022**

**Call to Order**

President Nicole Parker opened the meeting with all council members present. Joining the council was Clerk-Treasurer Michelle Cash.

Public Comment – Kieran Tansy from Aqua Indiana reported to the council all road work was completed, patched, and paved. Mr. Tansy apologized for the length of time it took to complete.

Tom Astbury with Astbury Water Technology, Inc, presented an operations update for the wastewater plant and lift stations. After much discussion, a plan was made for Astbury to go forward and repair and maintain all lift stations for maximum production. Mr. Astbury will be providing a contract for monthly maintenance with an exception to excess hourly being billed separately.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the September 1, 2022, regular meeting and September 22, 2022, special meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0).

**Money Matters**

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

**New Business**

Ordinance 8-2022 amending Ordinance No 6-18-2012 regulates noise within the Town of Darlington. This is the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of 8-2022. This ordinance will require a permit for outdoor entertainment and a fine imposed if the entertainment is not shut down by 10:00 p.m.

Ordinance 7-2-22- 1<sup>st</sup> reading for a stop sign to be put at the intersection of Adams and Franklin to make it a four-way stop.

Ordinance 9-2022 – 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the 2023 Salary Ordinance.

Resolution 2022-1 Casting votes for the proposed ordinance of the Montgomery County income Tax council modifying local income tax rate. A motion to approve resolution 2022-1 was made by Mrs. Cohee and seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0)

A motion to approve Jared Brenda's request for \$500.00 sidewalk money at 503 West South Street and pay Mr. Brenda since he had to pay in advance was made by Ms. Parker and seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0)

**Old Business:**

Code Enforcement will need to have the police department serve papers on violations that are not being picked up at the post office.

Progress is being made on the electric rate study and the Community Crossing Grant. Clerk Cash will inform the council when the paperwork has been sent.

**Staff & Elected Official Report**

Attorney Report –no report.

Wastewater Report – August 2023 in compliance

Electric Report – Brian Mullen and Jason



MVH Report- Gates – The Darlington American Legion Auxiliary will be providing the town with new flags for the downtown street poles. Once the flags are in the utility department will replace the current ones.

Darlington Police Department - Marshall Kevin Crull will send the October police schedule and activity logs by email when the email is fixed.

Park – Fall maintenance of weeds, and projects will be next for the park.

Code Enforcement Officers – Mr. Smith updated the council on the violations he has served and completed by email.

Clerk-Treasurer Cash presented the billing report for the month of September 2022. Clerk Cash presented the 2023 Holiday Schedule and 2023 council meeting schedule, and a motion to approve was made by Mrs. Suiter, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0)  
Clerk Cash asked for approval of Funds 2256 – Opioid Settlement Unrestricted and Fund 2257 Opioid Settlement Restricted. A motion was made by Mrs. Cohee, seconded by Mr. Riddell. Motion Approved (5-0)

Council Members Report

Marilyn Cohee – Updated the council on the Community Center projects being completed

Teresa Sutherlin – Reported on a couple of Code Enforcement addresses

Noelle Suiter – Nothing

Nick Riddell – Nothing


Nicole Parker – Nothing

Public Comment – None


The next scheduled Town Board and Utility meeting will be on November 3, 2022 – at 5:00 p.m. – at the Darlington Community Center.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Riddell and seconded by Mrs. Suiter. Motion Approved (5-0).

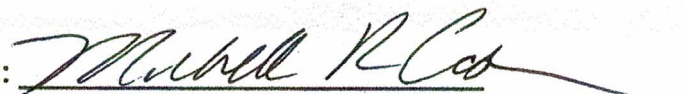
  
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Teresa Sutherlin, Council Member

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Nick Riddell, Vice President

  
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Marilyn Cohee, Council Member

  
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Noelle Suiter, Council Member

Attest:   
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Michelle R. Cash, Clerk-Treasurer