

DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD
MINUTES (*Pending Approval*)
APRIL 11, 2017

Council member Kimberly Carpenter opened the meeting with council members Marilyn Cohee, and Teresa Sutherlin present. Council President Justin Sparrow and council member Ron Hatley were absent.

Mrs. Cohee moved to approve the March 14, 2017 meeting minutes; Mrs. Sutherlin seconded and were passed unanimously.

Mrs. Cohee moved to approve the claim docket thru April 11, 2017; Mrs. Sutherlin seconded and were approved unanimously.

Darlington Forever, Inc. board member David Shelton presented an overview of the Darlington Community Center by DFI and asked the council for permission to move forward with the projects listed with no funds from the town. The initial three projects are to add a mop sink and a hand washing sink in the kitchen, redo the room upstairs for the Memorial Room and put in four new windows; three on the west side and one on the north side. The council agreed.

At this time the council recognized Dan Hampton representing the Darlington/Bowers Alumni. Mr. Hampton asked the council about renting the Darlington Community Center again this year for the banquet.

Utility Superintendent Greg Gayler reported they have installed 29 poles since the last part of March on 300 North for ISC to string new wire. Mr. Gayler is hopeful that it will be completed by the end of this month. Mr. Gayler attended the IMPA annual board meeting in Indianapolis. There was a semi that caused a limb to fall on Madison St. onto the power lines and caused an outage on March 28th. There was also re-closure that failed and caused another outage on April 7th.

Billing Clerk Lori Pearson presented the council with the billing and past due reports. The council suggested adding to the May billing town wide garage sales on May 6th. At this time Ms. Anderson reported that she is going to look into putting liens on properties instead of having the town attorney do it. The council agreed.

Apprentice lineman Brian Mullen reported he built a rack to hold the salt spreader and he drove around town inspecting which streets need paved this year. Mr. Mullen will begin patching potholes as soon as they get caught up on the power line project they are doing.

At this time there was a discussion about the downspout that A1 installed at the Darlington Community Center, the drain cover at the end of it that drains onto Franklin Street keeps popping off. Ms. Anderson will contact A1. The floor in the women's restroom in the basement is still having some water seeping in, Ms. Anderson will also let A1 know about that.

Wastewater Operator Troy McKinney reported there were no violations. They went to repair the laundering weirs that had a leak, as reported last month, when the whole thing fell apart. It is now repaired temporarily until Jarrod Zachary can get a new one built this week or next. Then, today they had a pump go down on Lift Station #1 due to someone flushing underwear. Mr. McKinney called in BBC Pump to repair it. Mr. McKinney then reported he met with Aaron Wall, son of Bob Wall, concerning the rental property that Bob owns at 5041 N 700 E. Mr. Wall did have a sump pump hooked up but has since cut the line. Mr. McKinney still needs to inspect the basement at 5109 N 700 E but Nic Myers won't return his phone call.

Town Marshal David Long reported on the vandalism in town and problems with dogs. There was then a discussion of no burning in the city limits.

Clerk-Treasurer Judy Anderson reported that she signed a contract with J&K Communications for the repairs of the tornado warning siren and it will be up and running soon. Shari Harrington with the Montgomery County Emergency Management needs a resolution for the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mrs. Carpenter moved and Mrs. Cohee seconded, motion passed unanimously. At this time Ms. Anderson reported that she received an estimate from Beam, Longest, and Neff, LLC for the engineering portion of the Covered Bridge repairs. Mrs. Carpenter made a motion to approve the estimate of the Covered Bridge rehabilitation; Mrs. Sutherlin seconded, motion passed unanimously. Ms. Anderson then presented a resume from someone interested in applying for the Clerk Treasurer position once Ms. Anderson retires in January 2018.

At this time the council discussed the Darlington Community Center use agreement minimum donation.

The meeting was adjourned.