

**DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD**  
**MINUTES (*Pending Approval*)**  
**MARCH 14, 2017**

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

Mr. Sparrow moved to approve the February 14, 2017 meeting minutes; Mrs. Sutherlin seconded and were passed unanimously.

Mrs. Cohee moved to approve the claim docket thru March 14, 2017; Mr. Hatley seconded and were approved unanimously.

Mrs. Cohee moved to approve the payroll docket; Mrs. Sutherlin seconded and were approved unanimously.

Town Marshal David Long reported they had problems for a few days due to the state changing the firearm website. There were kids out late a few nights when it was warmer and there was one domestic call.

Billing Clerk Lori Pearson presented the council with the billing and past due reports. The council suggested adding to the April billing town wide garage sales coming May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Wastewater Operator Troy McKinney reported there were no violations last month. There is a leak in one of the laundering wares which is letting the clear water and the sludge into the tertiary. Took it out of service and will have probably Price Excavating come to seal it up. Mr. McKinney then reported BBC Pump and Equipment fixed decaying pipes at the mini lift station at the Toll House and that the gushing water running through the mini lift station pipe has slowed down but he will still inspect the basements of the houses that are hooked up to it to try to find the cause. At this time Ms. Anderson started a discussion of adding the wastewater emergency phone number on the utility bills. Mr. McKinney agreed to have their cell phone numbers added to the bills.

Apprentice lineman Brian Mullen reported that he and Mr. Gayler attended a meeting with Crawfordsville Electric Light & Power to discuss the new Tantalus meter system that CEL&P is installing on their system. They are offering to serve Darlington Light & Power by reading and disconnecting meters, when needed, and it would also notify Darlington when and where there is a power outage on our system. The council agreed to listen to a presentation from CEL&P and how much it will cost.

Utility Superintendent Greg Gayler is on vacation. Ms. Anderson reported on his behalf. Jason Douglas Excavating repaired a sink hole on South St. Met with Mike Matthews of Duke Energy at the substation. They are wanting our overhead primary lines moved from the inside of the substation to the outside of the fenced area because Duke will be building a new structure and our lines would be over the top of it. Torco Testing dielectric tested all three big trucks. Jarrod Zachary

did some welding on the Digger Dereck. Mr. Gayler has the material ordered to rebuild the lines on 300 North from the substation all the way to 625 East. He and Mr. Mullen also attended IMPA's training on overhead line design.

At this time Mr. Sparrow reported for Park Superintendent Dick Ames. There are two positions open on the Darlington Park Board. Mr. Ames met with Brett Cating from Beam, Longest & Neff, LLC and Dan Collom from Square Level Construction about the covered bridge. They will be getting more information together and may be able to start repairing the bridge this fall.

Clerk-Treasurer Judy Anderson presented the council with the fund report and an appropriation report. Received the OCRA monitoring report and everything was good and is closing the project. J&K Communications came to troubleshoot the tornado warning siren and will report back with the results. Ms. Anderson presented the council with the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter tracking factor, Mrs. Cohee moved to accept, Mr. Hatley seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Anderson presented a Keystone Building Services Bankers Insurance Co. form that needs filled out by Mr. Sparrow or Mrs. Carpenter. A1 Waterproofing will begin waterproofing the basement in the Darlington Community Center on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

At this time Mrs. Cohee began the discussion of vehicles parked in the same spot for a very long time without moving and property nuisances. The council will beginning fining residents that haven't complied with the ordinance violations. Mrs. Cohee then began the discussion of the rules of renting the Darlington Community Center. It was decided to plan a working meeting with the town council and Darlington Forever, Inc. for this discussion.

The meeting was adjourned.