

**DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD**  
**MINUTES (*Pending Approval*)**  
**OCTOBER 14, 2015**

Council President Justin Sparrow opened the meeting with council members Marilyn Cohee and Kimberley Carpenter present.

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 17 council and utility board meeting; Mrs. Carpenter seconded the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the Budget Adoption Hearing minutes from September 17, 2015; Mrs. Carpenter seconded the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the monthly claim docket; Mrs. Carpenter seconded the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve the payroll docket; Mrs. Carpenter seconded the motion passed unanimously.

Billing Clerk Lori Pearson presented the council with the billing and past due report. The council suggested adding to the November billing Santa Claus at the Fountain Trust bank and remember to vote.

Electric Superintendent Greg Gayler reported on September 19 there were some primary wires that were sparking on State Road 32 that feed Banjo. Mr. Gayler then reported they replaced poles 321 and 322 on W. South St. At this time he explained that to get the electric lines from laying on the roof 205 W. Academy St. they cut down a Blue Spruce tree behind 307 W. Academy and trimmed another tree, then replaced poles 272, 273, and 274 with taller ones behind 401 W. Academy St. and built a primary and neutral line. Then at 5532 E. 300 N. they put in all underground wire. There was an outage three times on one line on 150 N. Discovered it was due to a sagging line which is now been repaired. A transformer fuse blew twice at Main and Douglas St. ended up putting in a new transformer which fixed the problem. Will be doing a rebuild at 2002 N. 425 E. due to fuses that blow if the customer runs too many fans in their grain bins.

Electric Lineman Brian Mullen had nothing more to report except assisting Mr. Gayler.

Wastewater Operator Troy McKinney reported there were no violations last month. There was some discussion of 211 W. Harrison having trouble with their sewer line. It was also discovered there is a basement drain in that house which is against the town ordinance so the homeowner will need to cap it off. It was decided that the town will pay to hook up a new sewer line from the house to the wastewater line in the alley and the homeowner will have to pay for the work to be done on the inside of the house. Mrs. Carpenter will write them a letter explaining this. There was then a lengthy discussion of the storm water drain on the corner of W. Harrison and Douglas St.

Darlington Town Marshal David Long reported they are monitoring a few situations in town. The squad car isn't holding a battery charge and will take it to Mac's in Crawfordsville to find out why.

Clerk Treasurer Judy Anderson presented to the council the Funds, Appropriations, overtime reports, and a note from a utility customer then asked if there were any questions. Ms. Anderson then presented a sales book that has 12"x18" Handicap parking signs in it to be put at the Darlington Community Center and the Town Hall. It was agreed these signs will be fine.

Park Superintendent Dick Ames was absent.

Mrs. Cohee reported she spoke with Wilcox Tree Service about the large tree on the vacant lot at 204 S. Madison St. that is starting to split and is beginning to lay on Mr. and Mrs. Wilson's home and propane tank. He will contact Terri Sparrow.

Motion to adjourn was made by President Sparrow and seconded by Kim Carpenter.