

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

Call to Order

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

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

Public Comment – Melissa Cain, administrator for the Youth Fastpitch Softball Program presented the 2021 final numbers for the Youth Fastpitch Softball Program. Josh Bronaugh, the administrator for the Youth Baseball Program was not present. President Parker opened up the conversation on how the funds are used that the town collects from the program, and with both administrators not having funds left to distribute from the 2021 program to the town, the council made a motion by Mrs. Cohee, to take 10% percent of the registration fee for both programs to go toward fuel, lime, diamond dry and any maintenance expenses on the ball diamonds, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0).

Tom Klein, Montgomery County Administrator presented the council with commemorative coins for the Montgomery County 200th Bicentennial Year. Mr. Klein gave some history about the county. Mr. Klein gave an update on the County-Wide Emergency Medical Study. He gave an update on the New County Government Center.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Cohee made a motion to approve February 3, 2022, a regular meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0).

Money Matters

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

A transfer from 1101001393.000 – Gen CT/Other Service to 1101001114.000 – Park Salary for Park Maintenance to cover three employees for seasonal help was made by Mr. Riddell, seconded by Mrs. Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

New Business

No new business

Old Business:

The Covered Bridge is waiting on an estimate for Fire Retardant

Mr. Mullen is working on getting a company to have the locks changed at the Community Center. Estimates were presented to the council on a stove price from the DFI. The council will be looking into a different option for a stove.

The Festival Committee has locked in

Steve Trent for the entertainment on Friday night. A motion was made by Mrs. Sutherlin to pay \$1,200.00 out of the electric budget and \$1,200.00 out of the Wastewater budget to have the Darlington Utility Department be the sponsor of the entertainment, seconded by Mrs. Suiter. Motion Approved (5-0). A motion to donate \$1,500.00 to the Darlington Fish Fry and Festival from the Darlington Town Council Promotion line was made by Mr. Riddell, seconded by Mrs. Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0) will be having the festival at the park.

Staff & Elected Official Report

Attorney Report – none

Wastewater Report – Troy McKinney reported there was no plant discharge for the month of February 2022.

Electric Report – none

MVH Report -Potholes will be repaired when we receive material and the weather permits.

Darlington Police Department - Marshall Kevin Crull sent the March schedule by email. The new vehicle is coming along and will be ready in a month.

Park – The council along with the Festival Committee is putting together a group to spring clean the park. The park cleanup day will be April 23, 2022, at the park. Park Manager will get 3 estimates for new gravel for both parking spots. A motion to lease the concession stand to Trisha Teague for the Youth baseball/softball season (6-8 weeks) for \$100.00 a week was made by Mrs. Cohee, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0)

Code Enforcement Officers –Mr. Smith reported that he removed the expired vehicles, and the RV and tagged two more vehicles for removal.

Clerk-Treasurer Cash presented the billing report for the month of February 2022. A motion to approve the Tracking Factor for April, May, and June 2022 was made by Mrs. Cohee, seconded by Mrs. Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0)

Council Members Report

Marilyn Cohee – Nothing

Teresa Sutherlin – Mrs. Sutherlin reported about a friend that would like to do some donating to the library, Park – (Park, Covered Bridge, and Toll House)

Noelle Suiter – Nothing

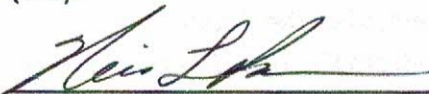
Nick Riddell – Nothing

Nicole Parker – Nothing

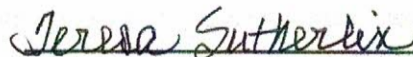
Public Comment – None

Town Board and Utility Board Monthly meeting will be on April 7, 2022 – at 5:00 p.m. – at Darlington Community Center.

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



Nicole Parker, President



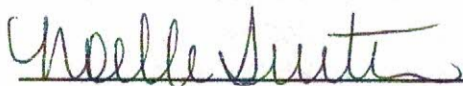
Teresa Sutherlin, Council Member



Nick Riddell, Vice President



Marilyn Cohee, Council Member



Noelle Suiter, Council Member

Attest: 

Michelle R. Cash, Clerk-Treasurer