# DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD MINUTES April 3, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: President Nicole Parker opened the meeting with the pledge. President Parker was joined by Vice President Sutherlin, Jeremy Weliever, Jennifer Flaugher and Marilyn Cohee. Also joining the council was Clerk-Treasurer Michelle Cash, and Electric Superintendent Brian Mullen and Attorney Tyler Nichols.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to approve the March 6, 2025 minutes was made by Vice President Teresa Sutherlin, and seconded by Marilyn Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

#### **MONEY MATTERS:**

A motion to approve the payroll docket accounts receivable transfer's and appropriation report for March 2025 was made by Jeremy Weliever and seconded by Marilyn Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0). All reports are emailed *before* the meeting to be reviewed.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

A motion to lease the park concession stand to Tracy McHenry for a fee of \$10.00 a night while open was made by Jeremy Weliever, seconded by Marilyn Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

The UMAC quote to take over the Wastewater plant was presented and approved by the council in March, effective April 3, 2025. Troy Elless presented the council the contract to sign.

A motion to deny a request from Steve Helgers to bury his utility line under the alley by 222 West Main Street was made by President Nicole Parker, after much discussion the town board understands that Mr. Helgers has another way to provide the service to his building with existing lines already in place, plus new information on the changing of 811 location in buried services, the council believes it is in the towns best interest to not allow residents to bury under the alleys, the motion was seconded by Jeremy Weliever. Motion Approved (5-0).

Clerk Cash and Councilmen Jeremy Weliever gave an update on the appraisals received on the empty lot and the town hall. It was requested by Councilmen Jeremy Weliever to move forward and get a list of needs for the offices and work on getting estimates of the work.

Attorney Nichols presented some options for preparing a Truck Route Ordinance for the Town of Darlington. Due to the heavy traffic with semis and the destruction of roadways and properties, a motion for an ordinance for a truck route to be implemented was made by Jermey Weliver, seconded by Jennifer Flaugher. Motion Approved (5-0)

## STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORT:

Attorney Report -None

Wastewater Report – Troy Elless representative of UMAC updated the council on needing a PH Meter. Mr. Elless will get a quote to present at the May meeting for approval. Mr. Elless will be having the generators maintained and serviced. Mr. Elless made the council aware of the amount of grease in the lift station located on South Street which is clogging the flow of water. At a request from the council a letter will be sent out to the property owners to be aware.

Electric Report – Superintendent Brian Mullen informed the council that the wire trailer has been ordered and once it is ready they will pick it up.

MVH Report- Mr. Mullen reported informed the council that he was contacted by Patsy Hodges from the Hair Mill to have the drain cleaned out due to the heavy rainfall. He also updated the council on the salt spreader and the need for some maintenance and new parts.

Darlington Police Department – Marshall Kevin Crull sent the March 2025 activity logs and the April 2025 police schedule in an email. Mr. Crull will be looking into cameras for the Town Hall.

Park - Getting ready for the upcoming ball season.

## Code Enforcement Officers - None

Clerk-Treasurer Cash presented the billing report for March 2025. Clerk Cash reported the update on the tornado siren. The batteries have been replaced and President Parker will follow up to make sure we are on the list for the monthly testing.

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT**

Marilyn Cohee - None.

Teresa Sutherlin - None

Jennifer Flaugher - Reminded the council that September 5th and 6th will be the festival dates.

Jeremy Weliever -None

Nicole Parker - None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

Town Board and Utility meeting will be on May 1, 2025 – at 5:00 p.m. – at the Darlington Community Center.

Jeremy Weliver motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Vice President Teresa Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0).

Nicole Parker, President

-

Teresa Sutherlin, Vice President

ennifer Flaugher, Council Member

Marilyn Cohee, Council Member

Attest:

Michelle R. Cash, Clerk-Treasurer