

**DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD MINUTES**  
**December 7, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Nicole Parker opened the meeting with all council members present. Joining the council were Clerk-Treasurer Michelle Cash, Attorney Tyler Nichols, and Electric Linesmen Brian Mullen and Jason Gates

The first order of business was the opening of the 3-phase Electric Line Upgrade. The following bids were received:

Hoosier Edison	\$1,153,245.00
Haugland Energy	\$1,479,808.11
Hydaker-Wheatlake	\$1,536,126.00
INTREN	\$1,566,904.45
BESCO	\$1,998,401.96
Electricom	\$2,052,524.25
Service Electric	\$2,302,858.28
Delta Services	\$2,633,452.24

A motion to take the bids under advisement until the January 4, 2024 meeting was made by Teresa Sutherlin, seconded by Marilyn Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion to approve the monthly meeting on November 2, 2023, was made by Nick Riddell and seconded by Teresa Sutherlin. Motion Approved (5-0).

**MONEY MATTERS:**

The motion to approve the payroll docket accounts receivable and appropriation report for November 2023 was made by Noelle Suiter and seconded by Marilyn Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0). All reports are emailed *before* the meeting to be reviewed.

A motion to approve a transfer from fund 2214 Festival Fund for the amount of \$1013.10 to the Park Baseball/Softball and Concession Stand fund (2211). A motion was made by Marilyn Cohee and seconded by Noelle Suiter. Motion Approved (5-0)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The clerk-treasurer received the 1782 notice for the 2024 budget. After a review, a motion to accept the notice was made by Teresa Sutherlin, seconded by Marilyn Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

Clerk Cash reported on a request to vacate an alley. The council tabled the request until Attorney Nichols could do some research on the rules and regulations of the vacation.

Clerk Cash presented the tracking factor for January, February, and March 2024. A motion to approve the tracking factor was made by Marilyn Cohee, and seconded by Noelle Suiter. Motion approved (5-0)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A motion to adopt Ordinance 5-2023 - the 3rd and final reading of the 2024 Salary Ordinance was made by Nick Riddell and seconded by Marilyn Cohee. Motion Approved (5-0)

**STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORT:**

Attorney Report –none

Wastewater Report – not present

Electric Report – Nothing

MVH Report- Clerk Cash asked Brian Mullen to look at the entrance to the bank drive-up and see if the potholes could be filled in.

Darlington Police Department – Marshall Kevin Crull sent the November activity logs and the December 2023 police schedule email.

Park – Nothing

Code Enforcement Officers – Nothing

Clerk-Treasurer Cash presented the billing report for November 2023.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

Marilyn Cohee – Nothing

Teresa Sutherlin – Nothing

Noelle Suiter – Nothing

Nick Riddell – Nothing

Nicole Parker – Nothing

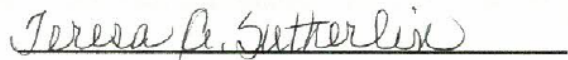
PUBLIC COMMENT - None

The next scheduled Town Board and Utility meeting will be on January 4, 2024 – at 5:00 p.m. – at the Darlington Community Center.

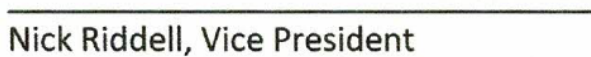
The motion to adjourn was made by Vice President Nick Riddell and seconded by Noelle Suiter. Motion Approved (5-0).



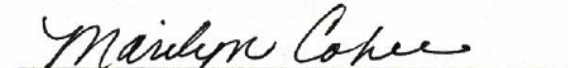
Nicole Parker, President



Teresa Sutherlin, Council Member

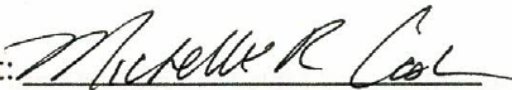


Nick Riddell, Vice President



Marilyn Cohee, Council Member

Noelle Suiter, Council Member

Attest: 

Michelle R. Cash, Clerk-Treasurer