

DARLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL & UTILITY BOARD MINUTES

October 2, 2025

LIVESTREAM ON YOUTUBE – Town of Darlington Council

CALL TO ORDER: President Nicole Parker opened the meeting with the pledge. President Parker was joined by, Vice President Sutherlin, Jeremy Weliever (came in at 5:17 p.m.) Jennifer Flaughner and Marilyn Cohee. Also joining the council was Clerk-Treasurer Michelle Cash, and Electric Superintendent Brian Mullen and Code Enforcement Officer Mike Smith.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tim Dossler came for an update on the 700n and School Street storm drainage issue. Superintendent Brian Mullen gave the latest update and assure Mr. Dossler that this project is on the list with the contractor, and will be done.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to approve the September 7th, September 18th, 2025 and September 23, 2025, Executive Session minutes was made by Vice President Teresa Sutherling, and seconded by Jennifer Flaughner. Motion Approved (4-0)

MONEY MATTERS:

A motion to approve the payroll docket, accounts receivable, and appropriations report for September 2025 was made by Marilyn Cohee and seconded by Vice President Teresa Sutherlin. Motion Approved (4-0). All reports are emailed *before* the meeting to be reviewed.

A motion to approve a transfer of \$990.00 from TC – Promotions-1101001375000.000 to Town Council Salary – 1101001111.000 and from CT Benefits – 1101001122.000 to Town Council Salary – 1010011111 to cover the shortfall in the salary line item due to the raise increase in October of 2024 for 2025 was made by Jennifer Flaughner, seconded by President Nicole Parker. Motion Approved (4-0).

A motion to approve a mileage claim for Code Enforcement Officer Mike Smith for \$7.70, Bob Cash for \$61.60 and Michelle Cash for \$179.20 for the month of August was made by Marilyn Cohee, seconded by Jeremy Weliever and Vice President Teresa Sutherlin abstaining. Motion Approved (4-0)

NEW BUSINESS:

Raises were discussed for 2026 and a motion to approve a 3% stipend for Clerk -Treasurer Michelle Cash and a 3% raise for Utility Superintendent Brian Mullen and all other part time and council members will not receive a raise in 206 was made by Jeremy Weliever, seconded by Jennifer Flaughner. Motion Approved (5-0)

First Reading of Ordinance 6-2025 Salary Ordinance for 2026.

Clerk Cash informed the council of a possible ATT tower coming into the Town of Darlington and possible be located at the utility plant. Representative have reached out about the land and will be following up with more information at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jennifer Flaughner gave an update on research she has been doing for the Community Center. Mrs. Flaughner spoke with other's who have a Community Center/Armory and reported on some ideas to help sustain the building for future finances. It was suggested that the town move forward with the thoughts of renovation down the road for the town hall. Mrs. Flaughner will now be cleaning the center and supply the cleaning products for free to off set the monthly

cost. A motion was made to void the cleaning contract with Jill Mullen effective immediately by Vice President Teresa Sutherlin, seconded by Jeremy Weliever. Motion Approved (5-0). Also, effective immediately Mrs. Flaughner will be taking over the rentals, and usage of the Community Center to try and create more events to supplement monthly income. The Community Center future will remain on old business with updates for changes for the future.

Clerk Cash reminded the council that the counter offer was accepted on the empty lot and the buyers will have the extended 30 days to get the confirmation from the county on a possible rebuild.

The Paser Report is still in progress.

Councilmen Jeremy Weliever reported that he had spoke to baseball/softball directors and they will be dropping of keys and money by the end of the month.

STAFF & ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORT:

Attorney Report –Attorney Nichols was not present but reported in an email he is working on the alley ordinance, and the Smart Meter location agreements.

Wastewater Report –none

Electric Report – Superintendent Brian Mullen reported on the completion of the signed contract with CELP.

MVH Report- Mr. Mullen updated the council with the completion on the new salt spreader installed. Mr. Mullen reported that it appears by the maps we received our alleys are 10 feet wide. He will work with the town attorney on addressing this issue.

Darlington Police Department – Marshall Kevin Crull sent the September 2025 activity logs and the October 2025 police schedule in an email.

Park –Nothing

Code Enforcement Officers – Property on South Street still needs the ditch cleaned out.

Clerk-Treasurer Cash presented the council with billing report for September 2025.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

Marilyn Cohee – Wanted the Speed board put out on Madison Street.

Teresa Sutherlin - None

Jennifer Flaughner – None

Jeremy Weliever – Requested that there be more police present with the truck route. All the signage is up but there seems to still be a lot of heavy truck traffic.

Nicole Parker – None


PUBLIC COMMENT – Mike Smith, Darlington Fire Department Chief, ask the council if they would consider approving some Opioid money to go toward a generator for the Fire Department.

Town Board and Utility meeting will be on November 6, 2025 – at 5:00 p.m. – at the Darlington Community Center.

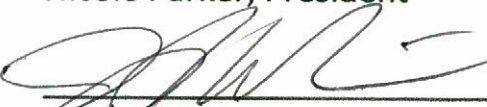
Jeremy Weliver motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Jennifer Flaughner. Motion Approved (5-0).




Nicole Parker, President



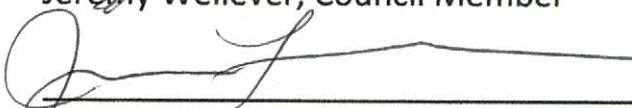
Teresa Sutherlin, Vice President



Jeremy Weliever, Council Member



Marilyn Cohee, Council Member



Jennifer Flaughner, Council Member

Attest: 

Michelle R. Cash, Clerk-Treasurer