CITY OF DARLINGTON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COURTROOM/COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 400 PEARL STREET, DARLINGTON, SC TUESDAY OCTOBER 3, 2023 - AT 6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Curtis Boyd, City Manager John Payne; Councilmembers Elaine Reed, Bryant Gardner, John Segars, Howard Nettles, and John Milling. Also present Merry Morgan Smith, Police Chief Jimmy Davis, Fire Chief Pat Cavanaugh, Recreation Director Lee Andrews, Codes Enforcement Officer Sheila Jones, Mr. Scott Bryant, Mr. Steve Abbott, Mr. Linwood Epps, Ms. Angela McRavin, Ms. Rosa Hudson, Mrs. Pruitt, Mr. Scott Pruitt, Ms. Anna Dewitt, Mrs. Mary & Maxie Hunter, W&S Superintendent Mr. Charles Shugart, Water Department Worker Jonathan Boatwright, Ms. Delores Bess, Trauma Counselor Advocate, Mr. Daniel Wilson, Mr. Bill Eubanks, Mr. Joseph O'Callahan, and other visitors. Also present was a representative from the News & Press.

Councilwoman Sheila Baccus was absent from the meeting.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Prayer by Mayor Boyd followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SPECIAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2023
Councilwoman Elaine Reed made a motion to approve the minutes of September 5, 2023, Councilman Howard Nettles seconded the motion. Councilpersons, Milling, Gardner, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA
Councilman Nettles made a motion to approve the meeting agenda for tonight's meeting, Councilman John Milling seconded the motion. Councilpersons Gardner, Reed, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.

CITIZENS WISHING TO APPEAR BEFORE COUNCIL (5 MINUTES PER PERSON, 30 TOTAL MINUTES MAXIMUM)
***Neither personal attacks nor disruptive behavior are permitted**
No one signed up to speak.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Darlington Renaissance Master Plan
Mr. Bill Eubanks, Director of Planning and Landscape Architecture for SGA/NW in Charleston, SC along with one of his project managers Mr. Jospeh O'Callahan was present at the meeting to talk about the Darlington Renaissance Master Plan. Mr. Eubanks said he is excited about the opportunity to work with the city on our Darlington Renaissance Master Plan. He said he thinks Darlington is poised at a tipping point and this plan, if everything goes the way the plan is

supposed to go, will be a wonderful thing for our city that will guide it for years to come. Mr. Eubanks said, “One reason I say if things go the way we hope they go, we really relish public involvement in our process. The people that will come to those meetings will know more about Darlington than I could ever learn because they’ve lived here 40, 50, 60 years and they know this place so having those people involved will be incredibly important to us. Mr. Eubanks said, “I know that you all will be appointing your fellow citizens tonight to the Darlington Renaissance Advisory Work Group. He said when we came up with the name that was a very intentional thing that we did partly because the acronym for that is “draw” and for us that speaks to the level of involvement this group will have with us. We expect to learn from them for one thing, we expect them to be active participants in the process, but we want their ideas, we want their creativity, we want their enthusiasm, but we also want them to be ambassadors and advocates for the program and for the master plan when it’s done. Mr. Eubanks said, “Because any master plan that just sits on a shelf is only worth the paper it was printed on. We want this to be a master plan the gets implemented, that makes things happen. He said, I know that Darlington hasn’t had a Main Street Program in years/decades, and I think that something that…personally I would love to see that happen because then that becomes kind of a mechanism for a lot of the things that need to happen in Darlington to happen. So, expect to see that in our recommendations. Mr. Eubanks said that’s all he’s going to say but he’s here to answer any questions they may have. He said he is ready to get started. Councilman Gardner said, “I don’t have a question, but I appreciate all of the energy you all have put into this and look forward to meeting with them shortly”. Councilman Milling said, “Just for public information, how long …there’s this process you anticipate it will take with the appointee’s input, community input….just give sort of a general timeline”. Mr. Eubanks said, “We’re thinking in the neighborhood of about six months. And quite frankly that has less to do with how long it takes us to do the work as it does to kind of bringing the town along and getting buy-in to the product and making sure that everybody is part of that process and that everybody is heard. Councilman Milling asked, “and so these will be meetings that will be advertised, and citizens will be invited in essence in mass to come in……Mr. Eubanks said, “Absolutely. They will be encouraged to come”. Councilman Milling said, “And share their thoughts and their dreams”. Mr. Eubanks said, “”Yes”. Mayor Boyd said, “And you’ll start more so with the group that we appointed”? Mr. Eubanks said, “Yes and then broaden it out to the public”. Mayor Boyd said, “So all the citizens if they want an input, will have an input. And then you’ll just gather all of the knowledge from everybody that’s brought to the table, and you’ll sift through that and …… Mr. Eubanks said, “final it down and come up with something”. Mayor Boyd asked, “Did we ever decide how far it goes out as far as the perimeters”? Mr. Eubanks said, “We’re looking at the corporate limits so we’re looking at the entire town, but I can tell you just from my point of view I think we have to broaden that out a little bit more and look annexation opportunities because if the town is going to grow we want that to be in a kind of controlled, measured intentional way. Mayor Boyd said, “My understanding I thought to start with we were like in a boundary that we didn’t actually cover the whole town…. but we were going to cover the whole town? Mr. Eubanks said, “We’re going to cover the whole town. Ms. Merry Morgan said there’s also a handout that John gave each of you that I copied, and it has the green timeline on it. There’s also another handout with the temporary schedule that has the series of dates on it. The first event will be the 15th of November with each one of you in an individual meeting with Bill. Mayor Boyd said, “So that we

and the public can understand to a certain point, what are you looking for them to bring to the table. What ideas are you looking for …..are you looking for this street to look better or… what should they bring to the table"? Mr. Eubanks said, "I'm going to give you something that I believe about urban design which is what we're doing. I think urban design can be boiled down to two very essential paths, one is to identify everything in your community that is worth preserving and protecting and buying ways to preserve them and protect them. The second thing is to put the policies and mechanisms in place to replace everything that's not worth saving with things that will be. Mr. Eubanks said that's a lot of what they're doing. He said if people come to me and say, we need restaurants on this corner, we need places for teenagers to go, we need places for senior citizens to go, we need more places to shop …..whatever ideas they have, we want them". He said more than anything else, the people that come to these meetings are going to come because they love Darlington. So, we want to know what they know and we want to know why they love Darlington. Councilwoman Reed said, "right now I'm working on getting affordable housing in the area that I represent (ward 2), but a concern that I have and that I want to be part of this is that the housing that comes in the area, that it is all part of a plan so that …and I don't know how that can happen …if that would be a concern …that it would be the design kind of thing …whatever they're doing in the area that it could all be a part of this great plan". Mr. Eubanks said, "Yes ma'am. So, one of the things that we'll be doing ….as a matter of fact I've already started doing it, is looking at your zoning ordinance and finding things that ….because honestly if anybody comes to your town doing anything they've got to work within your zoning ordinance and if the ordinance isn't written to allow good stuff to happen, it's only going to allow bad stuff to happen. So, we're going to be looking at your zoning ordinance and looking at ways it could be changed and improved …and one of those that I already noticed is the maximum density that you allow for housing is really low and if you want to have affordable housing you will probably have to up that density a little bit". Mayor Boyd said, "so, if we up that density then the infrastructure has to be upped also. The public has to understand that if we want more people and we want more businesses the infrastructure and all will have to be able to fit that for businesses and people to come into town the infrastructure has to be there in place". Mr. Eubanks said, "Yes, absolutely. And that's not just water and sewer. That's fire, that's police, that's schools. That's everything". Mr. Payne said, "Mr. Mayor I also want to mention and remind the public that we purposely included the school district in this to include St. John's Elementary and Brunson-Dargan". Mayor Boyd said, "At the end we would kind of have a timeline what's best to start with this …to get to this point and …Mr. Eubanks said, "So, typically whenever we do a plan like this we look at what we would consider low hanging fruit. These are the things that you can do now that can be implemented easily. The cost may not be considerable. These are things that are going to be down the road. We look at that from a phasing standpoint but also we look at that "low hanging fruit". Councilman Milling thanked Mr. Eubanks for coming. Mr. Eubanks said, " look forward to seeing you all and getting this process going". Mr. Payne said, "Mr. Mayor what they need to do now is have a vote. Hopefully most of you if not all of you have your appointments then you need to vote to accept the proposal. Mayor Boyd asked, "Do you need the appointments tonight. I've already given you my appointment". Are we supposed to announce the people that we want to appoint tonight"? Ms. Merry Morgan said, "We're still troubleshooting the system so people can hear you and they can hear Mr. Eubanks but they can't hear anyone else so would the rest of you make sure that

your microphones are on. Mayor Boyd said, Merry do you need our names tonight? I've already given you a name. Do you need for people to announce the names that we want to put on the committee tonight"? Merry said, "That would depend on what the council wants to do. I'm happy to receive the names now and work on the schedule and I'm happy for you to email me who you would like. She said it is not necessary that it be done in the meeting. Mr. Payne told the council they need to make a motion to accept the proposal. **Councilman John Milling made a motion that we approve the contract with SGA/NW for the Darlington Renaissance Master Plan for the subtotal of all phases of $215,910 with historic preservation planning and traffic and transportation planning, if necessary. If that turns out to be outside of the scope with a maximum of $8,000 & $15,000 for those two portions with the work to be performed in accordance with the guidelines as set out within the plan and on the draft of the timelines that have been handed out tonight. Councilman Bryant Gardner seconded the motion. Councilpersons Nettles, Reed, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.**

b) First Reading – Ordinance 2023-09 Business License Standardization Act – John Payne, City Manager

Mr. Payne said December 31st of every odd year every municipality levying business licenses must adopt the newest class schedule as established by the municipal association. The amendments are to class 8.3 Telecommunications; 8.6 -Pool Tables and it eliminates classes 9.41 & 9.42 which is peddlers licenses. Mr. Paynes said he is asking to approve first reading because we have to have this done by December 31st. **Councilman Milling made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance 2023-09 the amendment of the business license ordinance of City of Darlington to update the class schedule as required by Act 176 of 2020 specifically addressing those matters relating to class 8.3 telecommunications, class 8.6 pool tables and the elimination of classes 9.41 & 9.42 relating to peddlers. Councilwoman Elaine Reed seconded the motion. Councilpersons Nettles, Gardner, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.**

c) Water Department Purchase Approvals – Mr. Charles Shugart, Water, Sewer & Stormwater Director

Mr. Shugart said he is going to let Mr. Jonathan Boatwright along with Mr. Daniel Wilson present this to them tonight. Mr. Shugart said, "Jonathan was born here in Darlington and he has certified licenses for both water treatment and water distribution, he has certification in ????, trenching and he holds a class A CDL with all endorsements. He has worked for the City of Darlington since 2021 when I hired him. He has been in the water & sewer industry for about 15 years. He has been working on these purchases …..I started working with Daniel about a year and a half ago. Daniel said, "Two years ago". Mr. Shugart said, "I've worked with Daniel in other places, and they've helped us out with a lot of different things over the years. He said Jonathan has several other purchase orders that he has been working on, some of those for a year and a half for the purchase of these trucks which seems to be a meticulous thing to do with the State contract purchase. Jonathan said, "The first thing I have is the purchase of two 2024 F-150 service trucks for the water & sewer department. This purchase will be through the State contract procurement services and these purchases are budgeted. The total cost of both trucks is $96,993.00. These two trucks will replace the two oldest trucks in our fleet. Mayor Boyd

asked, “What are you going to do with the old ones”? Jonathan said, “I don’t know if we’re going to pass them on to the Street Department or GovDeals or …..we haven’t decided yet. Councilman Milling said, “I noticed one is a V-8 and one is a V-6”. Jonathan said, “We’ve got one to tow the jetter with and one is more of a “get around town truck (general purpose).
Councilman Bryant Gardner made a motion to approve two 2024 Ford trucks for $96,993.20. Councilman Howard Nettles seconded the motion. Councilpersons Milling, Reed, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.
Jonathan said, “I would like council’s approval to enter into contract with Southern Corrosion, a company that specializes in water tan storage maintenance. As you know Darlington has two arial tanks, one on North Main & one on Pine Street. He said Southern Corrosion has a great contract and they provide great service. Their contract is a 12-year contract with a $36,545 a year premium. Councilman Milling said, “Plus an increase by the CPI (consumer price index). (Current CPI is 3.7% so it will be going up by that or some other function next year.) Jonathan thanked Councilman Milling for the information and said he will hand things over to Daniel Wilson who will have all the answer to whatever questions they have. Councilwoman Reed wanted clarification on what the CPI was and how it would affect future annual premium payments. Councilman Milling explained how the CPI would affect future payments. Mr. Daniel Wilson said, “I have been in the water industry 27 years. I’m a professional engineer and for the purpose of this, I’m an A certified & National Certified Coding Inspector so I’m as certified and qualified as you can get in this business of tanks. I’ve managed a utility for a decade of my career so I definitely come from both sides and I’ve worked with a council for many years. Mr. Wilson said, “when you think about your elevated water tanks, what is most important about those tanks to you”? Councilman Milling said, “That they give the citizens clean water on demand”. Mr. Payne said, “Appearance”. Mr. Wilson said, “All of these things. I teach for South Carolina Rural Water all over the State. When I go and I teach ..there’s only four or five things in your water utilities that are citizen based – how they feel about the utility. He said, one is your rates. Everybody cares about their water bill or more so what it looks like and how you present that. Work trucks. I always bring that up or more importantly where the work trucks are or shouldn’t be. Fire hydrants on sidewalks and water tanks are your largest billboard in this community. To say that it is just one or the other is definitely shorting. Mr. Wilson said, “What we got before you tonight is a proposal to maintain your water tanks over their life. The 12-year term has actually been stated because that is when we planned to paint the inside and outside but it’s actually a one-year agreement with a guaranteed scope of work over as long as you want to stay in the contract. Mr. Wilson said, “The CPI. The opposite of doing it this way …there’s two ways to do this. One is to wait 12 more years, go to bid, paint your tank. I just gave a price to paint a tank a third of the size of one of yours today and it was $270,000 for the inside and outside. If you multiply that times the cost of how it rose, CPI is the absolutely best opportunity for the city over the long run. Mr. Wilson said even over the last ten years the CPI only averages 2.7% and that’s including nine percent last year, so it is still a very, very small margin of growth over time. The way the contracts work that don’t use CPI is they have to guesstimate that CPI (that growth) so what they end up doing over the long term is putting 5% - 7% in the contract. He said it’s a shared risk, but they’ve had a customer that doesn’t save money by doing it this way over the long term. Councilwoman Reed said, “The service doesn’t change. You know how the rates may change but it doesn’t say anything in here about you

doing the same thing but we're paying more. I don't see anything in here that says if the rate goes up, we're going to do this or we have more to do because our tanks are not individual….the amount of water that's in there is the same, you're going to be able to paint the same amount". Mr. Wilson said, "I completely agree with you. The cost of painting of painting this tank is going to be significantly more than it is today. When we priced this we looked out over the net two cycles. We actually take about a twenty-eight-year cycle and back it into today's present cost, so you are buying today's value in that twelve-year period at today's dollars. Mr. Shugart said, "We paid $370,000 to our tanks in ….five or six years ago, in 2017 and we are required to paint them every so often along with washouts and other maintenance that will be provided with the service". Mr. Wilson said, "Your current value of your tanks when you put them in a different perspective, sounds like a lot of money but your current tanks if you were to build them today is about a $6 million asset between the two of them. So, when you're looking at it you're talking about the cost of maintaining those tanks over the horizon as far as you want to go. Most of our customers stay with us 30 and 40 years". Mayor Boyd said, "So, what you're saying is in 2017 the city of Darlington paid $370,000. In twelve years if we paid $37,000 it could potentially go up and $37,000 in twelve years would be $444,000 that you could spread out over a period of time. When we look at this and it says "inspections and repairs" uncovered through inspections so as you are inspecting and something comes up there's not an additional cost. Mr. Wilson said, "Everything is covered". Mayor Boyd said, "We're basically buying a warranty that our tanks will be good for this time but at any time if we say we can't afford it, or we don't want to do it we can opt out of the contract". Mr. Wilson said, "Correct". The question was asked, "How often do you wash out the tanks"? Mr. Wilson said, "We wash tanks out typically on ground water utilities every five years and that's what we bound in the contract. He said your tanks are due to be washed out right now. He said annual inspections are required by DHEC. They have to be climbed and inspected every year. Washouts, EPA & DHEC say every 3-5 years. That's typically three years for surface water and five years for ground water. Mr. Shugart and Mr. Wilson both said we have ground water. Mr. Wilson said, "That happens automatically in the contract as well. Not only the cost of painting the tanks is in the contract, but all of the other services as well. He said you've got a broken dome hatch right now and that is included in the contract to be repaired; installing ladder gates to keep people off your tanks which is a liability against the city, and this is built into this contract as well. Mr. Wilson said it's more than just painting tanks. It's true asset management over the long term. Mr. Payne asked Mr. Wilson to explain what is included in washout and why you do it. Mr. Wilson said, "Basically every tank works as a settling chamber. There's microfine particles in every source of water but those get in the static environment of the tank, and they touch the side walls, and they settle. What you end up with is an accumulation of solids. Not just solids but in a static environment the same will grow when it has a particulate that it can attach to. That is what we're washing out of the tanks; an accumulation of five years of biofilm. It's not going back into the water utility. The shape of the bowl of the tank basically serves as a settling chamber. It's not going back down the riser but if you don't wash it out routinely it will grow up and it will go back in the water utility. Mayor Boyd said, "This is a twelve-year preventive maintenance plan that if you're paying this fee for a period of time ….it kind of out of our hands and we don't have to worry about it, whereas in the past we haven't had any preventive plan". Mr. Shugart said, "No. We annually hired somebody to do our inspections". Councilman Milling said, "I have

a question, not about the details of the services provided, but normally when we have contracts provided to us we put out a request for proposals and we get three bids and I have not seen any other proposals and I'm just wondering what happened to that aspect whether we can approve such a contract without having bids. Shugart said he will let Mr. Wilson explain his source of information to you but as we've asked other folks for these, we can't get apples to apples without actually going to someone else (a third party) and asking them to create a specification on this particular service and then bid that to different companies. He said Mr. Wilson does have a sole source letter and I think it is included in your packet and I'll let him explain that to you". Councilman Milling said, "What I read in the letter, Mr. Wilson, but you have developed a system to try and be one of the best tank maintenance programs in the industry, but you're not the only provider of these services, is that correct"? Mr. Wilson said, "That's true. That would be correct. There are others that do provide a similar service. I will tell you that very few provide the exact service and there is a large portion of this program that is designed (asset maintenance) there is a real engineering function that is a large portion of this program". Councilman Milling said, "And I understand that you have engineered tank care (an ETC Program) but that is a registered trade mark that you can use to describe yourself and it's not like a patent on something where nobody else has got that mechanism for doing it, so when you're the sole source provider of this ETC that's because that's your trademark and nobody else can use it, is that correct"? Mr. Wilson said, "Trademark, correct. The way we design our program, it is a design program specific for this utility". Councilman Milling said, "For doing this type of stuff, but again others could have the …it may not be your program, but it would be a program designed to provide maintenance for water tanks. Councilman Milling said, "We've got a state statue that I'm trying to be sure we don't violate by going with what is not going to be technically a sole source of tank maintenance, but it is a sole source for ETC maintenance". Councilwoman Reed asked, "Are there other tank companies that could do what Councilman Milling is trying to say that could come in and do what you say you're the sole source for"? Mr. Wilson said, "There are a lot of automobile manufacturers, but no one else can build a ford and no one can copy a ford and no one can patent another ford. Likewise, our program is very, very specific in what we do. If we have competition out there, they do not provide this exact program. He said I'm not talking about the ETC and the name anymore. I'm talking about the way we do it. The design of the growth of the program, the perpetual agreement style, a one-year contract…..Councilman Milling said, "And those are good selling points, but I'm just trying to make sure that we don't end up giving you a contract that somehow another that gets voided because we have not complied with bid requirements". Mayor Boyd said, "I feel like there are other people out there that can do similar with what you are doing, so to cover us you may need to get those bids. Councilman Milling said, "I like your service". Mayor Boyd said, "If the other contracts are brought to us and they are not "apples to apples" compared to what you're able to offer, then we can look at those. But I think we should have multiple bids. Again, the other people may not be able to do half of what you're doing". Mr. Wilson said, "Not only in service, but we're the only functioning group in Darlington County". Councilman Milling said, "I know you've got Hartsville and you've got Lamar". Mr. Wilson said, "Hartsville, the County, just finished two projects in Lamar". Mr. Wilson said, "And there's no one else located in the Carolinas that does this. When you talk about geographic location we are very specific to this geographic region". Councilman Milling said, "And like I say, I'm not being hard on you, I'm trying to be sure that if we do it, we do it in a way

that protects the city as well as whomever we give a contract to. Councilman Milling asked, “Has Kevin seen these documents So, he hasn’t had a chance to look at the sole source issue”. Mr. Payne said, “why don’t we do this Charles we’ll put out for bid …. Mr. Shugart said, “To do that we have to create a specification for that. In other words, we can’t take Mr. Wilson’s information and send that to everybody and say, “can you do this for this price or less. That is just wrong. So, we have to create a specification for tank maintenance”. Councilman Milling said, “Painting, maintenance, washing and all the stuff that we need to have done. You should be able to create a proposal.” Mr. Payne said, “We’ll do that. We’ll take care of that”. Councilman Milling said, “I’m assuming I’m going to be happy to vote for you in November if we can get it back on the schedule, but I’ve got some concerns about that aspect of things”. Mr. Payne said, “We’ll put the bid out and we’ll bring back as many quotes as we get”. Coouncilman Milling said, “and you may be the only one that bids on it”. Mr. Payne said they will take care of it.

Mr. Jonathan Boatwright said, “Lastly I need council’s approval for the purchase of a ground penetrating radar unit. This purchase will be used for water, sewer, and storm water. This device locates and allows us to identify and precisely document the location of our underground utilities and we can also use it to locate other utility lines (phone lines, gas lines, etc.) They are currently in the process of building a GIS map and this device would make that so much easier. Councilman Milling said, “Jonathan, this will give you a chance to go and map the water lines before they break so we’re know where we are and what we’ve got. Mr. Boatwright said, “Sewer and storm water lines are impossible to locate the concrete pipe ten feet in the ground, but this device can. Mr. Shugart said, “It looks like a push lawn mower, and it has a computer screen on it which creates images similar to an ultrasound. He said the guys will have to become experts in using this equipment. There’s going to be a certain amount of training that goes along with it and the software itself will change as they use it. Councilman Milling asked where this would be paid from and if it was a budgeted item. Mr. Shugart said, “No, it’s going to have to be absorbed into those three budgets”. **Councilman Bryant Gardner made a motion to approve Tracer Electronics for $18,194.76 for PinPointR GPR Cart (Impulse Radar). Councilman Nettles seconded the motion. Councilpersons Milling, Reed, Segars and Mayor Boyd**

Councilwoman Elaine Reed made a motion to approve the Annual Software Maintenance Fee in the amount of $9,408 to Ferguson Waterworks. Councilman Bryant Gardner seconded the motion. Councilpersons Nettles, Milling, Segars and mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.

d) Streets & Sanitation Purchase Approval – John Payne, City Manager
Mr. Payne told Council they have an invoice from Pee Dee Fleet in their packet. He said the work has already been done. The invoice is to fix a garbage truck where the turbo went out on it. The invoice is $8,256.42**. Councilman John Milling made a motion to approve the expenditure of $8,256.42 for the work that has already been performed on our trash truck. Councilman Bryant Gardner seconded the motion. Councilpersons Nettles, Milling, Segars and mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.**

e) Proclamation – Domestic Violence Awareness Month – Mayor Curtis Boyd
Ms. Delores Bess wanted to thank Council for supporting their organizations. Mr. Payne read the proclamation whereas the City of Darlington and Darlington City Council proclaim the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Ms. Bess said her office is located at 105 Orange Street.

REMINDERS:
October 7, 2023 – Elks Parade at 11:00 AM
October 14, 2023 – Annual Sweet Potato Festival
October 26, 2023, from 4:30 – 6:00 PM "Scare on the Square"
October 23, 2023 – November – Early voting at Voter Registration Office
November 7, 2023 – Election Day
Tuesday November 14, 2023 - Regular Meeting of Darlington City Council, 6:00:PM.
Christmas Parade – December 2, 2023, at 4:00 PM

Executive Session : Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws Section 30-4-70 (2),discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements.

Councilman Bryant Gardner made a motion to go into executive session at 6:57 PM. Councilman Howard Nettles seconded the motion. Councilpersons Reed, Milling, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.

Break until 7:06 PM

Councilman John Milling made a motion to go out of executive session at 7:35 PM. Councilwoman Elaine Reed seconded the motion. Councilpersons Nettles, Milling, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor to end the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT
Councilman Bryant Gardner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 PM. Councilman John Milling seconded the motion. Councilpersons Reed, Nettles, Segars and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of adjourning the meeting.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Clerk & Treasurer