

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Thursday, April 24, 2014

7:30 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session at its regularly scheduled meeting time on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the hour of 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members Blackgrove, Kissling, McPherron and Lehr were present. Also present were Mayor Spinner and City Attorney Schneider. Member Summers was absent.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Kissling and carried to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2014 meeting as presented.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Lehr and carried to approve the claims as presented.

The Mayor presented a proposed ordinance concerning parking regulations in the City. There was discussion about parking regulations of large vehicles blocking views. The proposed ordinance will be reviewed and changes made and will be presented at the next meeting.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented the Electric Department's monthly report. He presented quotes for 6 transformers that can be used to service or back-up 20 customers' current transformers.

The quotes were:

HD Supply (ABB)	\$38,812.00
Cape Electrical (ERMCO)	\$39,429.02
Solomon Corp (SOLOMON)	\$48,100.00

Reutepohler recommended the purchase of the ERMCO transformers from Cape Electrical in the amount of \$39,429.02. He noted that the ERMCO transformers feature open top and sides for access making them easier and less costly to maintain.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the purchase of six ERMCO electrical transformers as presented from Cape Electrical in the amount of \$39,429.02.

Reutepohler presented the Gas Department's monthly report. He informed the Board that gas crews have bored across County Road 500 West, North of Ireland, to extend the main 2,500 feet to pick up service to several homes and a turkey farm.

Reutepohler presented a cost analysis of extending gas mains southwest of Ireland. The total length of the extension is approximately 4.5 miles which is already engineered and right-of-ways mapped out. Reutepohler estimated three years of revenue to be \$203,631 and the expenses for materials, welding and boring to be \$93,639.35. This did not include the labor to install or the use of City equipment which was noted could be significant.

There was discussion on requiring future customers in the Ireland area where the proposed extension would serve, to sign an agreement to purchase gas from the City. The customers would need to make the required \$500.00 deposit each for the line extension.

Reutepohler informed the Board of the retirement of Steve Harris in the Gas Department after 20 years of service. He will be replaced by Harold Meyer.

Reutepohler also inform the Board that he will be hiring Mackenzi Seib again this summer to work with the GPS system. She will be working from mid-June to mid-August working on gas line mapping. Her rate will be \$12.50 per hour. He also will be

hiring a student this summer to help Jeff Tisdal with the mowing at a rate of \$10.50 per hour.

Reutepohler update the Council on the ambulance building (old Gas storage garage) plans being updated.

Water Superintendent Williams presented his monthly report. He noted that he will be hiring Rich Thyen again as a seasonal employee.

Williams presented quotes for a 31 hp. tractor for the Water Department to primarily bushhog around the lake. The quotes were:

Hopf Equipment-Kubota L3800	\$13,929
Blesch Brothers- New Holland-Workmaster Economy	13,850
John Deere- 3039R-Geared Premium	14,850

Williams noted that the quality of the Kubota was superior to the New Holland Workmaster Economy and also had a better warranty and recommended the purchase of the Kubota L3800.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to approve the purchase of the Kubota L3800 as presented above at a price not to exceed \$13,929.

Williams presented quotes for mowing Water Department properties. The low quote was from Coleman's Mowing, LLC for the four properties as needed.

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve Coleman's Mowing, LLC to do mowing for the Water Department as needed as quoted.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a proposed ordinance and a proposed resolution to move appropriations for the 2014 budget year.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Lehr and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2014-12 entitled:

A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER MONIES BETWEEN ACCOUNTS WITHIN MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATIONS OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-13 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER MONIES FROM ONE MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATION TO ANOTHER WITHIN THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND FUNDS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by Kissling and carried with unanimous consent to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2014-13 at the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-13.

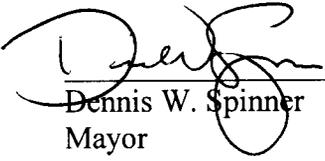
Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2014-13 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Summers) in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2014-13 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 8:43 P.M.

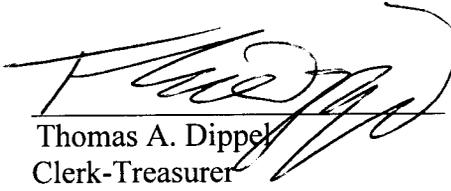
Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a proposed additional appropriations ordinance for the Local Road and Street Fund in the amount of \$63,900 and the Park and Recreation Fund in the amount of \$22,000 for the budget year 2014.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Kissling and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-14 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR
THE 2014 BUDGET YEAR**

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 o'clock P.M.


Dennis W. Spinner
Mayor


Thomas A. Dippe
Clerk-Treasurer