

**UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, September 23, 2014**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session at its regularly scheduled meeting time on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members Blackgrove, Kissling, McPherron, Summers and Lehr were present. Also present were Mayor Spinner and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order. He informed everyone that public meetings will now have a sheet at the entrance to collect data about the types of attendees for ADA purposes.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2014 meeting as presented.

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

The Mayor announced that this was the date, time and place set for the public hearing on the City of Huntingburg's 2015 budget. The public hearing was opened.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel summarized the 2015 budget of \$9,320,073. He recommended the use of a low assessed value of \$130,000,000 to produce a higher than anticipated rate thinking the real rate will be close to \$1.15 per \$100 of assessed value once the assessed value is known. The Mayor asked if there were any comments on the proposed budget. No comments were received.

The public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-24 entitled:

**ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATE**

It was noted that the budget adoption hearing will be October 9, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

The Mayor introduced Paul Lake, the new Planning Director. Paul will begin working for the City on September 29, 2014.

Trick-or-Treat hours for Halloween were discussed.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Lehr and carried to set the Trick-or-Treat hours for October 31, 2014 from 5:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented his monthly Electric report.

Reutepohler informed the Board about the power outage caused by children throwing a piece of metal conduit onto a transformer causing a short circuit. He noted that all top bushings were replaced on the transformer.

Reutepohler presented quotes for circuit breakers for the central substation. The low quote was from Siemans, Inc. in the amount of \$72,885.00. The lead time for the circuit breakers is approximately 16 weeks; the work will be done in early Spring 2015.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Summers and carried to accept the low circuit breaker quote of Siemans, Inc. in the amount of \$72,885.00.

Quotes for several jobs for the ambulance garage renovation were received (Exhibit A). Reutepohler recommended the low quotes presented for all contracted jobs presented in the amount of \$42,712.00.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to approve the quotes as presented in the amount of \$42,712.00.

Reutepohler reported that the salvage value of the well heads of the gas storage field wells was determined by Gwaltney Drilling, Inc. to be \$250.00 each. He noted that some people were interested in purchasing the well heads.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron and carried to set the salvage price for well heads in the old gas storage field at \$250.00 each.

Reutepohler presented a proposed Huntingburg Municipal Utilities Facility License agreement between the Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg and Fullnet, Inc. to allow Fullnet, Inc. to attach their lines to the City's utility poles. The initial number of poles is 50 poles. The rate will begin at \$9.17 per pole per year and will be adjusted annually by the Consumer Price Index.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to accept the Facility License agreement between the Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg and Fullnet, Inc. as presented.

Water Superintendent Williams presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that the crew painting the South water tank is back on site.

Williams presented a letter to the Utility Board updating them on Mr. Mike Schmett's desire to use a City water tower to mount communications equipment prior to fall harvest. Williams proposed a fee of \$100 per month to be paid to the City of Huntingburg as a yearly lease. He requested the money be placed in the Water Utility coffers.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to approve the agreement with Mr. Schmett for the installation of the equipment.

Williams will get together a written agreement between the City and Mr. Schmett and get to Attorney Schneider for review.

Williams noted that he has taken over the mowing of the Water Department properties since the current contractor became the Assistant Superintendent for the Pike County School Corporation and decided to stop mowing.

Williams noted that Huntingburg was helping the City of Jasper with their manganese problem since it is something Huntingburg deals with regularly.

Williams noted that Greg Miller received the Hurty Award for 28 years of continued employment in the Water treatment field.

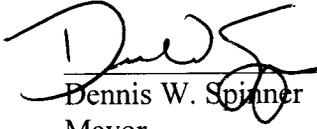
A proposed resolution was presented that would set policy for placement of telecommunications facilities on city owned property.

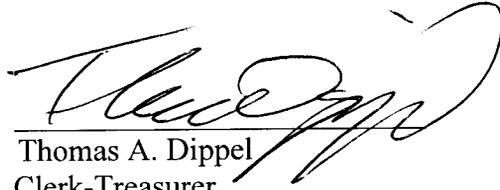
A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2014-25 entitled:

**RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG ADOPTING A POLICY FOR PLACEMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY**

A copy of a proposed ordinance concerning the flood plain that will be considered at the next meeting on October 9, 2014 was distributed for Council review.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 o'clock P.M.

  
Dennis W. Spinner  
Mayor

  
Thomas A. Dippel  
Clerk-Treasurer