

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
Thursday, January 7, 2016
8:30 A.M.

The Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Huntingburg met in regular session on Thursday, January 7, 2015 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall with members Spinner, Cox and Souders present. Also present was City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Souders, seconded by Cox and carried to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2015 meeting.

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

The Mayor presented information on a lot at 205 North Walnut Street in Huntingburg where the City removed an unsafe building. The lot has been made available to the City by the Dubois County Commissioners. Attorney Schneider explained the process that the County attempted to sell the property for delinquent taxes and the property did not sell. He noted that the City has received notice that the County will offer the City the property and the Tax Sale Certificate at no charge because the City has approximately a \$4,700.00 lien on the property. He indicated that to accept the property the Board of Public Works and Safety needs to recommend to the Common Council the acceptance of this property at 205 North Walnut Street, Huntingburg, IN and acceptance of the Tax Sale Certificate.

A motion was made by Cox, seconded by Souders and carried to recommend to the Common Council acceptance of the property and Tax Sale Certificate for the property noted above at 205 North Walnut Street, Huntingburg, IN.

The annual Market Master Committee appointments were discussed.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to appoint Paul Lake, Rachel Steckler and Elizabeth Wertman to the Market Master Committee.

Fire Chief Patberg presented his monthly report. He noted that Cole Meyer has passed all his training.

Police Chief Parks presented his monthly report. He presented three quotes for a new 2016 Dodge Charger police car. The quotes were:

Thomas Dodge	\$24,552.00
Sternberg, Inc.	\$24,835.00
John Jones Dodge	\$24,485.00

There was discussion about the purchase of the police car and the Board determined that it would be best to purchase the car from Sternberg Inc. from Jasper at a higher price due to the objective reason of the availability of local service and the relationship the City has with the communities.

A motion was made by Cox, seconded by Souders and carried to approve the purchase of a 2016 Dodge Charger police car from Sternberg Inc. for their quoted price of \$24,835.00 due to the availability of local service and the relationship we have with the communities.

Wastewater Superintendent Kemp presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that he hired Josh Rogge as a Lab Technician. He also indicated that construction could begin next month on the wastewater project.

Street Superintendent Stamm presented his monthly report. He reported that the State brought a crew to fix the problem under State Highway 64 at Jackson Street but left without fixing, noting that it is not the States responsibility to fix due to the leak being in a storm-water line that runs to a manhole. He indicated the State is responsible to fix lines that run from catch basin to catch basin but the City is responsible for lines that run to manholes. Stamm will contact the INDOT to get a requested e-mail outlining when the State is responsible for repairs.

Stamm noted that he needs permission from the Board to move forward with the Chestnut Street project that has been bid twice with no bids received due to time constraints.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to allow the Street Department to advertise for bids on the Chestnut Street project.

Stamm requested permission to get quotes for a fence on the North lot of the Street Department. He indicated the need because of continued improper dumping when no one is present. He indicated that the lot would be opened weekdays from 6:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. and on Saturdays from 6:00 A.M. to noon. Stamm noted the current positioning of the security camera does not allow full view of the lot nor does it show clear detail to identify individuals. He indicated that it would take a substantial upgrade to the camera system to be able to identify individuals. He also noted that the fence would serve more purposes than just the illegal dumping and would help with other problems.

The Mayor noted a possible City wide security upgrade but also indicated that looking at quotes for a fence could also be considered at that time.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Souders and carried to approve Stamm to seek quotes for a fence for the North lot of the Street Department.

Stamm updated the Board on the requested alley connecting Van Buren Street and Washington Street between 9th and 10th Streets. He estimated the alley would be

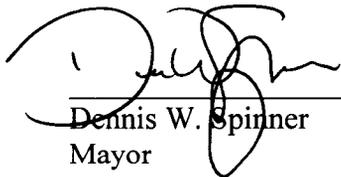
approximately 500 feet long, 8 feet wide, and would require 200 tons of rock. It would cost between \$9,000.00 and \$10,000.00 to construct. He noted that a storm sewer runs down the alley but does not know at what depth, and that the property would need to be surveyed at a cost of about \$1,000.00. It was noted that finding the depth of the storm sewer needs to be known before any work on the project is considered. The Mayor instructed Stamm to investigate the storm sewer and to proceed with getting a survey to determine property lines and help determine the exact location of the storm sewer. A report on the proposed project will be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

Code Enforcement Officer Collett presented his monthly report.

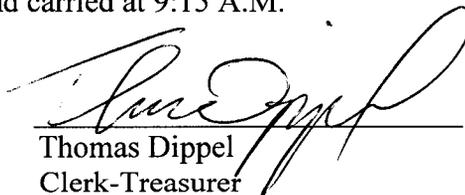
The Mayor indicated that there is a conflict for the members to meet on the next scheduled meeting date of February 4, 2016 and requested the February meeting be changed to February 11, 2016 at 8:30 A.M. in the Council Chambers of Huntingburg City Hall.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Souders and carried to approve rescheduling the February Board of Public Works and Safety meeting from February 4, 2016 to February 11, 2016 at 8:30 A.M. as noted above.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Cox, seconded by Souders and carried at 9:15 A.M.



Dennis W. Spinner
Mayor



Thomas Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer