

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY**  
**Thursday, July 5, 2012**  
**8:30 A.M.**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Huntingburg met in regular session on Thursday, July 5, 2012 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall with members Spinner, Cox and Lewallen present. Also present was City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Lewallen, seconded by Cox and carried to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2012 meeting and the minutes of the June 22, 2012 meeting.

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

The Mayor informed the Board of a meeting he had with the Indiana Department of Transportation about the scheduled resurfacing of the Highway 231 in the area. He noted that an addition to the project has been made; Hwy. 231 from 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Street. He noted that we were able to negotiate using the City's current sewer lateral inspection program, to get a waiver on the usual state road cut permits to a single permit for all properties affected by the resurfacing project and are offering those that take advantage of repairing their sewer laterals in conjunction with the project a substantial savings. He noted that letters to property owners along the route, explaining the opportunity, will be sent out soon.

The Mayor explained that he made an executive order last Saturday to declare an emergency and ban the use of fireworks in the City. He noted that he will be calling an emergency meeting of the Common Council on, Friday, July 6, 2012 at 12:30 P.M. to consider extending the fireworks ban.

Fire Chief Patberg presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that the Department had one ladder fail an inspection and he is looking to see if it is repairable. He also noted that Truck number 736 has an oil leak that has not yet been located.

Wastewater Superintendent Kemp presented his monthly report. He asked the Board for permission to solicit quotes for a building to go over the excess flow pumps. He estimated the cost of the 32' x 46' building to be about \$45,000.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to approve Wastewater Superintendent Kemp to seek quotes on a 32' x 46' building as noted above and to set a public meeting date to receive and open the quotes for July 31, 2012 at 10:00 A.M. and to appoint a committee of Mayor Spinner, Clerk-Treasurer Dippel and Wastewater Superintendent Kemp to receive and open the quotes.

Police Chief Parks presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that both new police cars have been delivered.

Street Superintendent Thyen presented his monthly report.

Code Enforcement Officer Collett presented his monthly report.

Attorney Schneider updated the status of several unsafe building orders. He indicated that nothing has been done at the property at 711 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Huntingburg. He recommended the Board authorize the solicitation of quotes to demolish the property.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to approve seeking quotes to demolish the property at 711 7<sup>th</sup> Street to be reviewed at the August 2, 2012 meeting.

Schneider summarized the actions the City has taken on the property at 112/114 North Jackson Street. He indicated that quotes were received to abate the problems at the property at last month's Board of Public Works and Safety meeting. The low quote to abate the problems was from Huntingburg Machine Works in the amount of \$10,350.00. He indicated that the Board may authorize the Code Enforcement Department to accept the quote of Huntingburg Machine Works contingent upon the passing of an additional appropriation to the Unsafe Building Fund by the Common Council.

The Mayor indicated that the Street Department and Code Enforcement Department were to review the situation and determine if the City could do some of the work to reduce the cost of the project. Street Superintendent Thyen indicated that he has not had time to do the review.

A motion was made by Cox, seconded by Lewallen and carried to award the contract pending the approval of the additional appropriation to the Unsafe Building Fund by the Common Council.

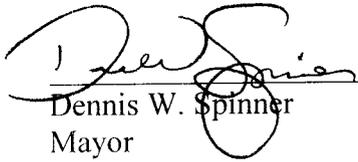
Schneider summarized the agreed order to demolish the property at 1019 N. Main Street, in Huntingburg. He indicated that no noticeable progress has been made on the property and recommended the Code Enforcement Department issue a letter reminding the owners that the demolition needs to be complete by August 5, 2012.

It was noted that a business operating in an accessory building on 1<sup>st</sup> Street needs to be addressed.

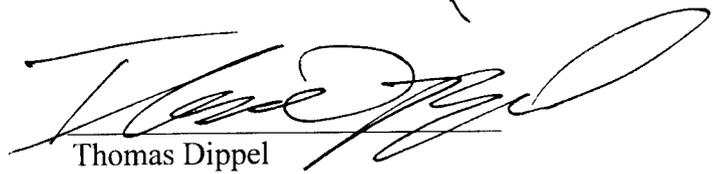
Jill Poehlein of 304 S. Sycamore Street, Huntingburg, addressed the Board about using a parcel of land adjacent to her house to park her cars and as a play area. It was discussed that the City could possibly grant her a license agreement for use of the property since the City is not currently using the property and she has offered to maintain the property.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to have City Attorney Schneider draft a license agreement for use of the property noted above to be signed upon completion.

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



Dennis W. Spinner  
Mayor



Thomas Dippel  
Clerk-Treasurer