

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Thursday, September 1, 2011

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 Thursday, September 1, 2011 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 Boeglin, Majors, Sparrow, Kays, and Summers were present. Also present were Mayor Belcher and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Belcher called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Kays and carried to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2011, August 24, 2011 and August 25, 2011 meetings.

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

Utilities Superintendent Traylor presented one quote for a Water Utility Service Truck. He requested quotes from 3 vendors. The quote received was from Ruxer Ford in the amount of \$45,341.00 with trade or \$47,841.00 without trade in of a 1993 Chevy dump truck.

A motion was made by Kays, seconded by Summers and carried to approve the Water Utility purchase of a 2012 Ford F-450 service truck as quoted from Ruxer Ford for the amount of \$45,341.00 with trade of \$2,500.00 for the 1993 Chevy dump truck.

Mayor Belcher informed the Council that a mosquito in the City tested positive for the West Nile Virus.

The Mayor informed the Council the City earned the Indiana Public Employer's Plan safety award for the calendar year 2010 for work safety.

Attorney Schneider presented a proposed ordinance containing labor and equipment rates that the City would charge for reimbursement.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Kays and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2011-21 entitled:

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING EQUIPMENT RENTAL AND LABOR REIMBURSEMENT RATES

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Kays and carried to suspend the rules with unanimous consent and consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2011-21 on the same date and meeting at which it was introduced.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Kays and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2011-21.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2011-21 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 Nays, in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2011-21 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:21 P.M.

Park & Recreation Board President Jeff Summers presented a Powerpoint presentation on "Splash Parks" in various cities around Southern Indiana and possible financing sources that could be considered. He asked the Council for \$150,000 toward the construction of a splash park at the City Park near the swimming pool. There were questions on the operating costs of a splash park.

Attorney Schneider indicated that the financing of a splash park to be built in 2012 would need to be included in the 2012 City budget. He noted that the Mayor should recommend to the Council at the budget hearing where he thinks the appropriate source of funds for this project should be.

The Mayor began a discussion on the 2012 salary ordinances.

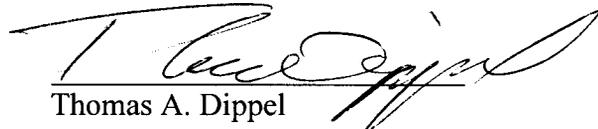
Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a worksheet containing the current salary ordinance rates and also a column showing a 2.5% increase. He noted that the employees' ordinance needs to be adopted by September 30, 2011 to be effective for 2012.

Discussion followed including making adjustments to individuals over and above the 2.5%. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to go ahead and introduce the ordinance with a 2.5% increase.

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



Marvin R. Belcher
Mayor



Thomas A. Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer