

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY**  
**Thursday, September 6, 2012**  
**8:30 A.M.**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Huntingburg met in regular session on Thursday, September 6, 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 August 2, 2012 meeting.

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

A Special Event Permit Application from Huntingburg Heritage, Inc. for the 2012 Herbstfest with requested street closings was presented for approval. The Mayor noted that the street closings would be for the Parade, the Outhouse races and the Trent/Singer Walk Run. He noted the routes for each activity.

A motion was made by Lewallen, seconded by Cox and carried to approve the applications and street closings as requested by Huntingburg Heritage, Inc. at 4<sup>th</sup> and Geiger Streets in Huntingburg.

Linda Gehlhausen addressed the Board and presented a Special Event Application for Old Fashion Bargain Days / 175<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration to be held on October 6, 2012.

A motion was made by Cox, seconded by Lewallen and carried to approve the Special Event Application and the partial closing of 4<sup>th</sup> Street for the Old Fashion Bargain Day/ 175<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration event as noted above.

The Mayor requested the Board of Public Works and Safety (BOPWS) meeting scheduled for October 4, 2012 be rescheduled to Tuesday October 2, 2012 at 8:30 A.M. due to a conflict with the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns Annual Conference.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to approve rescheduling the BOPWS October 4, 2012 meeting to October 2, 2012 at 8:30 A.M. in the Council Chambers of Huntingburg City Hall.

Fire Chief Patberg presented his monthly report.

Wastewater Superintendent Kemp presented his monthly report. Kemp indicated that the Wastewater Department is requesting permission to reimburse sewer lateral boring fees to the awarded contractor by residents residing on the northbound lane of Main Street that are participating in the City's street improvement lateral inspection

program. He noted that there are 7 laterals that are in need of replacement in the northbound lane and the average cost of backfill to the City in the north lane is estimated to be around \$1,245.00. He noted that the cost of boring these laterals is estimated at \$1,500.00 per day with the estimated completion rate of two or more laterals per day at an average cost of \$750.00 per lateral resulting in an estimated savings to the City of \$495.00 per lateral not including labor for traffic control that is provided by the City for these improvements.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to reimburse chosen contractors for lateral boring fees as noted above.

Police Detective Sergeant Bowman presented the monthly police report.

Street Superintendent Stamm presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that Fall Clean-Up-Week dates will be Thursday, October 4, 2012 from 12:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.; Friday, October 5, 2012 from 12:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.; and Saturday, October 6, 2012, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Stamm also requested Clean-Up-Week fees per load be changed as follows:

Car-	from \$1.00 to \$2.00
Truck with 8 foot or less bed-	from \$2.00 to \$3.00
Truck with greater than 8 foot bed	from \$2.00 to \$5.00

Other per item fees will remain the same.

A motion was made by Cox, seconded by Lewallen and carried to approve the dates and changes to rates as presented by Street Superintendent Stamm noted above.

Stamm requested approval to use community service workers from the County jail. He noted that supervision will be by a Street Department employee working alongside the service workers. They will be used for jobs such as painting curbs, and pulling weeds.

A motion was made by Spinner, seconded by Cox and carried to approve and authorize the use of service workers from the County jail.

Stamm noted that the Street Department is working on the cemetery road that goes to the water tower and to Steve Coomers house and is getting ready to work on Geiger Street behind Steinkamp Home Center.

Member Cox requested that the City record and note measurements of thicknesses of concrete slabs taken out of the Geiger Street project. He indicated that when this street and 11<sup>th</sup> Street were put in they were not put in at the proper thickness and it was allowed to slide by. He indicated that the City should not accept 4.5 inches of concrete when the specifications call for 6 inches. He noted the importance of proper thickness when truck traffic is involved.

He also noted that work is being planned for the 10<sup>th</sup> Street projects scheduled for next year.

There was discussion on center-line striping on City streets. The Mayor noted that he will discuss in a superintendents meeting.

Deputy Code Enforcement Officer Collett presented his monthly report.

Attorney Schneider updated the Board on the demolition projects in the City:

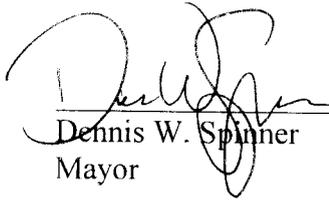
- 1) The property at 114 N. Jackson Street is cleaned up and excavated to allow for mowing. He noted the cost of the cleanup and excavation that was done by the Street Department was approximately \$6,000.00.
- 2) The property at 711 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street was demolished in late July and the owners are being billed.
- 3) The property at 1119 Main Street (old tattoo parlor) was demolished yesterday.
- 4) Another property is being worked on; 103 South Geiger Street and there is a verbal agreement for the owners to demolish this property. He believes the Code Enforcement Department will proceed with a formal order to demolish. He indicated that the owners have moved out of the house and it is now vacant.

Code Enforcement Officer Hazlewood informed the Board that he has condemned and put a condemnation notice on the house at 116 N. Jackson Street. He is in the process of contacting the owner of the property in Texas to get the property cleaned up and the next step is to issue a demolition order. He also noted that a public hearing is scheduled for October 2, 2012 concerning the property at 103 South Geiger Street.

Hazlewood also informed the Board of another property that may be controversial; the Killian House, at 415 N. Main Street. He noted the property is in disrepair. A list of items that are not up to code were communicated to the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, Inc. and also to Joe Rohleder.

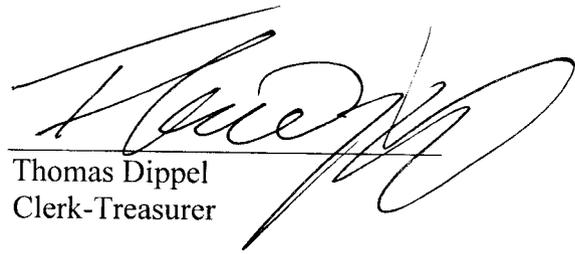
It was noted that the portable sign requested by Dubois County Tourism earlier in the year is still being worked on.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Cox seconded by Lewallen and carried at 9:22 A.M.



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Dennis W. Spinner  
Mayor



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Thomas Dippel  
Clerk-Treasurer