

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Thursday, May 23, 2013

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, May 23, 2013 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 Lehr, Blackgrove, McPherron, Kissling and Summers were present. Also present were Mayor Spinner and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling seconded by Blackgrove and carried to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2013 meeting as presented.

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

The Mayor indicated that this is the date, time and place for a public hearing on the application for a grant from the Indiana Office of Rural Affairs for the city's downtown revitalization plan. The hearing was opened. He introduced Nathan Held of Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission. Held summarized the project and indicated the Community Focus Fund application is for a \$40,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) with a \$5,000 local match.

The Mayor indicated that the matching funds would come from Economic Development Income Tax (EDIT) funds; \$2,500 and Dubois County Foundation; \$2,500.

Matt Rueff of Development Concepts and Eric Parsley of Commonwealth Engineers, who are working with the City, were present to discuss the project.

The Mayor asked for public comment. Anna Steckler, owner of Cool Beans and a resident of Huntingburg, spoke in favor of the project.

The public hearing ended.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2013-17 entitled:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND
LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE CDBG
PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF
COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED
MATTERS**

The Mayor introduced Nathan Held of Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission.

Held explained the grant application process and indicated that the City was requesting approximately \$500,000 to be used on a water project to replace part of the Patoka Water line which supplies the City water from Patoka Lake. He noted the need for the public hearing due to the increased local funding toward the project to increase the point totals for the competitive application process. He noted the application is due May 31, 2013. Held indicated that the additional public hearing would be on Tuesday, May 28, 2013. The local funding will be made up of \$83,250 from Water Utility operating funds, \$50,000 from Economic Development Income Tax and \$12,000 from Dubois County Community Foundation. He noted the need for a Resolution to commit the local funds which total \$145,250.

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by Summers and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2013-18 entitled:

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE CDBG
GRANT APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND
RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS.**

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented his monthly Gas Utility report. He informed the Board that the gas storage field was shut down last Friday due to water and sulfur in the gas.

Reutepohler informed the Board that the IURC has set a pre-hearing conference for May 30, 2013 for the City's request to operate a section of gas lines that does not have a verifiable maximum allowable operating pressure. He noted that once a special permit is obtained the process of measuring the thickness of pipe along an 8.4 mile section can begin.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented his monthly Electric Utility report. He informed the Board of the upcoming 4KV conversion along Washington Street from 4th Street to Orchard Road which is set for May 30, 2013 at 9:30 A.M. He also noted that during a test of the North Substation by NPM Services it was discovered that one of the three vacuum bottles had a crack in it. Due to the possibility of damage to the cabinet housing if a vacuum bottle exploded, it was recommended by NPM Services that all three vacuum bottles be replaced at a cost of approximately \$16,700.

Reutepohler presented quotes for underground boring for installation of electrical conduit at Pleasant View Apartments and Ewing Properties near the old hospital. The low quote was from Trenchless Innovations in the amount of \$21,600.00.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Kissling and carried to accept the low quote of \$21,600.00 for boring services from Trenchless Innovations for the project noted above.

Water Superintendent Traylor presented his monthly report. He presented bids for the vehicle storage garage project. The low quote was from Jasper Lumber Company in the amount of \$138,286.00 which includes the base bid plus all alternates.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to accept the low bid of Jasper Lumber Company in the amount of \$138,286.00 for construction of the vehicle storage garage at the water treatment plant.

Traylor presented an estimate of the south water tank repainting and upgrading prepared by Ladd Engineering, Inc. He noted the work is expected to be done in 2014. He recommended and requested approval for Ladd Engineering, Inc. to do engineering work for design and construction on this project in the amount of \$7,000.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the quote from Ladd Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$7,000 for engineering design and construction services for the project noted above.

Traylor presented a draft of the City of Huntingburg Transmission Main Emergency Action Plan for the Water Utility for review by the Board.

Attorney Schneider presented a proposed ordinance that would amend Ordinance No. 2012-31 that fixes salaries for the year 2013. The amendment is to more accurately reflect the part-time nature of the "At Home On-Call After Hours Dispatchers". The amendment would set the rate of pay for actual hours engaged in dispatching activities at a range from the federal minimum to \$15.50 per hour but for no less than 28 hours per week. It noted the employee shall accurately record the time actually engaged in dispatching activities, such that the employee is not free to use the on-call time for their own personal activities.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by McPherron and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2013-19 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2012-31 FIXING
SALARIES FOR THE YEAR 2013**

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Lehr and carried with unanimous consent to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2013-19 at the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Lehr and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2013-19.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2013-19 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2013-19 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 8:00 P.M.

Attorney Schneider presented a proposed ordinance that would amend Chapter 94 of the Huntingburg Municipal Code regarding regulations for obstruction of public ways. The Council will review the proposed ordinance and consider at a future meeting.

Attorney Schneider presented a proposed ordinance that would amend Chapter 72 of the Huntingburg Municipal Code entitled parking regulations. The Council will review the proposed ordinance and consider at a future meeting.

Attorney Schneider requested permission to attend the Indiana Municipal Lawyers Association seminar in Indianapolis on June 21 and June 22.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a proposed Resolution to allow the moving of appropriation monies between accounts within major budget classification of the various departments of the City of Huntingburg and a proposed ordinance to transfer appropriation monies from one major budget classification to another within the various departments and funds of the City of Huntingburg.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2013-20 entitled:

**A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER MONIES BETWEEN ACCOUNTS
WITHIN MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATIONS OF THE VARIOUS
DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA**

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2013-21 entitled:

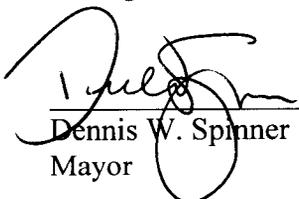
**AN ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER MONIES FROM ONE MAJOR
BUDGET CLASSIFICATION TO ANOTHER WITHIN THE VARIOUS
DEPARTMENTS AND FUNDS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA**

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried with unanimous consent to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2013-21 at the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by Kissling and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2013-21.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2013-21 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2013-21 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 8:30 P.M.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Blackgrove seconded by Kissling and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 o'clock P.M.



Dennis W. Spinner
Mayor



Thomas A. Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer