

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

5:30 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at the hour of 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members McPherron, Dubon, Bounds and Wehr were physically present. Member Kissling was absent. This meeting was opened to the public, and made available to members of the public and the media streamed through the City of Huntingburg's YouTube channel accessed via the City of Huntingburg's website. Also present were Mayor Schwinghamer, City Attorney Schneider and Clerk-Treasurer Dippel.

Mayor Schwinghamer called the meeting to order.

The Mayor introduced Ruthie Sherer, the new Mayor's Youth Council representative.

A motion was made by Wehr, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2022 regular meeting.

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

A motion was made by Bounds, seconded by McPherron and carried to elect Councilman Wehr Council President Pro Tem for the year 2023.

Fire Chief Heim requested Eric Rainey, Cameron Giles and Jessica Patberg be approved as firefighters for the City of Huntingburg; the three would be probationary for one year. He also noted that Macie Songer will start in the Jr. Firefighters Program.

A motion was made by Bounds, seconded by Wehr and carried to approve Eric Rainey, Cameron Giles and Jessica Patberg as firefighters for the City of Huntingburg.

It is time to consider the annual ordinances approving contracts with Patoka Township for fire protection (\$26,000.00) and recreational services (\$12,000.00) for the year 2023.

A motion was made by Bounds, seconded by McPherron and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2023-01 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
AND SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT WITH
THE PATOKA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE**

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Wehr and carried with unanimous consent to suspend the rules and consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-01 at the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by Wehr, seconded by Bounds and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-01.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2023-01 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Kissling), in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2023-01 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 5:40 P.M.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Dubon and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2023-02 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COMMON COUNCIL TO
ENTER INTO A RECREATIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE
PATOKA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE**

A motion was made by Wehr, seconded by McPherron and carried with unanimous consent to suspend the rules and consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-02 at the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bounds and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-02.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2023-02 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Kissling), in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2023-02 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 5:41 P.M.

Attorney Schneider summarized a proposed ordinance prohibiting parking on the inside of the circle of Copper Street which was recently accepted into the City's street inventory by the Board of Public Works and Safety. The Board of Public Works and Safety recommended the parking restriction.

A motion was made by Wehr, seconded by McPherron and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2023-03 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HUNTINGBURG CODE OF
ORDINANCES CHAPTER 75 PROVIDING FOR NO PARKING ON PORTIONS
OF COPPER STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG**

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Dubon and carried with unanimous consent to suspend the rules and consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-03 at the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by Bounds, seconded by Wehr and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-03.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2023-03 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Kissling), in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2023-03 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 5:45 P.M.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a proposed resolution to transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Funds of the Electric, Natural Gas and Water Utilities to the General Fund of the City of Huntingburg.

The amounts are:

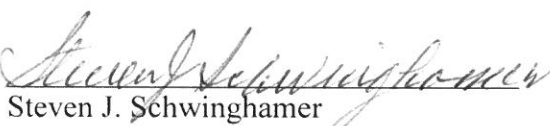
Electric Utility	\$225,000.00
Water Utility	\$ 50,000.00
Natural Gas Utility	\$225,000.00

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Wehr and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2023-04 entitled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE UTILITY BOARD OF THE CITY OF
HUNTINGBURG AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF SURPLUS EARNINGS
OF THE ELECTRIC, NATURAL GAS AND WATER UTILITIES TO THE
GENERAL FUND OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG**

There was discussion about allowing chickens in the City of Huntingburg. Attorney Schneider will put together a draft ordinance to review and change as the Council desires.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Wehr, seconded by Bounds and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 o'clock P.M.


Steven J. Schwinghamer
Mayor


Thomas A. Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer