UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL Tuesday, April 8, 2025 5:30 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session on Tuesday, April 8, 2025 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 Kissling, Bolte, McPherron, Bounds and Wehr (Arrived at 5:35 P.M.), were physically present. 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 Elkins, City Attorney Schneider and Clerk-Treasurer Dippel.

Mayor Elkins called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2025 regular meeting.

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

Water Superintendent Austin presented three quotes for materials needed for water mains on Walnut Street between 2nd and 3rd Streets. The street is scheduled to be repaired as part of the Community Crossing Matching Grant program in 2025. Austin recommended the low quote from Utility Supply Company in the amount of \$21,215.72.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bolte and carried to approve the low quote from Utility Supply Company in the amount of \$21,215.72.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a quote from Eck Mundy Associates for new upgraded computers in the Utility Billing Office with installation, in the amount of \$12,413.00. Efficiency, standardization and the impending upgrade to Windows 11 throughout the City are reasons for the upgrade.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the quote from Eck Mundy Associates noted above.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel informed the Council on the need for approval of a contract between the City and VS Engineering for 4th Street Heritage Trail-Roadway Adaptions. He noted invoices were presented for payment for the contract, but no approved contract was presented. There was discussion on future work to be done on 4th Street with pavers, parking spots and concrete sub-paver about 30 ft back from the intersections. Alternatives were discussed. VS Engineering is to provide options.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bolte and carried to approve the contract with VS Engineering noted above (in the amount of \$31,000.00).

Attorney Schneider presented a proposed ordinance to amend reconnection fees for the Water Utility and Electric Utility to match the proposed Natural Gas Utility fees.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Wehr and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2025-09 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 50.25 OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING UTILITY RECONNECTION FEES

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bolte and carried to set a public hearing for the Water and Electric Utilities reconnection fees for April 22, 2025 at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Huntingburg City Hall.

Maleah Dearing updated the Council on projects and goals of the Mayor's Youth Council.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Bolte, seconded by Wehr and carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 o'clock P.M.

M. Neil Elkins

Mayor

Thomas A. Dippel Clerk-Treasurer