

**UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, October 27, 2020**

**5:30 P.M.**

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session at the regularly scheduled meeting time on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 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, McPherron, Dubon and Bounds were present. Member Wehr was absent. Also present were Mayor Spinner, City Attorney Schneider and Clerk-Treasurer Dippel.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2020 meeting.

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

The Mayor indicated Ordinance No. 2020-25, prohibiting parking on the west side of Geiger Street south of 4<sup>th</sup> Street was previously introduced.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Dubon and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2020-25 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HUNTINGBURG CODE OF  
ORDINANCES CHAPTER 75 PROVIDING FOR NO PARKING ON PORTIONS  
OF CERTAIN DESIGNATED STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF  
HUNTINGBURG**

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2020-25 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Wehr), in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2020-25 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 5:35 P.M.

The Mayor informed the Council of a letter from U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) informing the City that EDA will not be able to fund the Wastewater Plant upgrade project. He noted that this funding was applied for as CARES Act funding and the City can apply again under Rural Development Program funding. A proposed resolution was presented committing \$2,940,100.00 of City funds to apply for a \$3,000,000.00 EDA Grant for the project.

A motion was made by Bounds, seconded by Kissling and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2020-30 entitled:

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA  
REGARDING A COMMITMENT OF FUNDS FOR THE WASTEWATER  
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT OF HUNTINGBURG, DUBOIS COUNTY,  
INDIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA) PROJECT  
PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM**

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Resolution No. 2020-30 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Wehr), in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2020-30 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 5:39 P.M.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented the monthly Gas Utility report. He informed the Board of the receipt of an annual gas rebate for the PEFA Discount program from UGM in the amount of \$28,228.80. He noted the Board needs to decide what to do with the rebate. Clerk-Treasurer Dippel noted that the rebate is a reduction in the cost of gas and suggested that customers should participate in the savings by using it as a reduction in the monthly cost adjustment rate tracker. It was discussed that there is no real need for the funds in the Operating Fund of the Gas Utility.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Dubon and carried to accept the funds (PEFA annual rebate discount) and apply it to the rate tracker for the coming 12 month period.

Reutepohler presented the monthly Electric Utility report. He reported that the Electric Utility is in need of underground wire for multiple projects and presented a quote for underground wire in the amount of \$32,160.00. He noted quotes are by the foot and that reels are approximately 2500 feet and they may be more or less. He suggested approval not to exceed \$34,000.00.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the purchase of the wire at a price not to exceed \$34,000.00.

Water Superintendent Meyerholtz presented his monthly report. He requested approval to purchase 250 more Sensus water meters noting a credit will be applied from an overcharge and the net amount will be \$57,230.00.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the purchase of 250 Sensus water meters in the amount of \$57,230.00.

Meyerholtz reported that 95% of the pipework on the distribution portion of the Water system upgrade is complete.

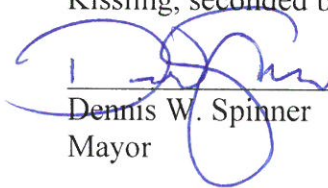
John Wetzel, of Midwestern Engineers, updated the Board on the distribution portion of the project. He noted that the contractor (Huntingburg Machine Works) will not be able to meet the completion dates noting work to be done includes pipe installation, boring and replacing asphalt. He informed the Board that the Contractor is going to run over the time granted in an extension (Change Order No. 1).

Change Order No. 1 for the Water Treatment Plant upgrade to the Contract with Reynolds Construction was presented. Wetzel explained the changes the resulted in a net decrease in the contract price of \$30,396.00.

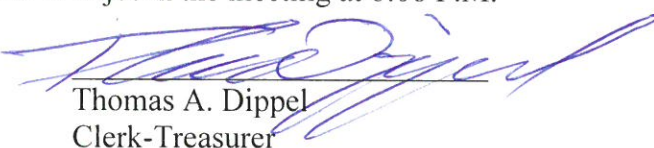
A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve Change Order No.1 to the contract between the City and Reynolds Construction in the decreased amount of \$30,396.00.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel informed the Board that \$18,908.90 has been collected through the TRECS collection program in 2020 compared to \$7,677.91 in 2019.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 P.M.



Dennis W. Spinner  
Mayor



Thomas A. Dippel  
Clerk-Treasurer