

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY

Thursday, April 6, 2023

8:30 A.M.

The Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Huntingburg met in regular session on Thursday, April 6, 2023 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall. Members Schwinghamer, Fitch, Souders and Schmett were present. Member Blessinger was absent. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Dippel and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Schwinghamer called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Blessinger, seconded by Fitch and carried to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2023 regular meeting.

A motion was made by Souders, seconded by Schmett and carried to approve the claims for payment as presented.

Due to members of the Mayor's Youth Council being unavailable, the proposed Executive Order renaming Styline Drive, Progress Parkway and 14th Street to Veteran's Parkway was tabled.

The Mayor informed the Council that the Easter Sunrise service at Veterans Memorial Park is planned, but no approval was given by the City. A Special Event Application was subsequently presented for the Huntingburg United Methodist Church Easter Sunrise Service on April 9, 2023 at Veterans Memorial Park. The Mayor previously reached out to Board members verbally, so the Methodist Youth Group could plan the event. The Mayor would like the Board to approve at this meeting.

A motion was made by Schmett, seconded by Fitch and carried to approve the Special Event Application for the Huntingburg United Methodist Church Sunrise Service noted above.

Street Superintendent Stamm presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that a change order will be coming to the contract with Knies Construction on the West 3rd Street project due to poor soil conditions. It was noted that a special Board of Public Works and Safety meeting may be needed to approve this change order before the next scheduled Board meeting.

Stamm noted that C&R Construction is scheduled to begin on Washington Street next week. He informed the Board that Spring Clean Up will be April 13, 14 & 15; prices are the same as last clean up.

Police Chief Parks presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that the 2nd Durango police vehicle is in and waiting on upfitting.

Wastewater Superintendent Coomer presented his monthly report. He requested permission to put down rip rap around washed out manholes outside the City limits on South Cherry Street. He noted the County has authorized the City to do the repairs. The Cost will be approximately \$3,200.00.

A motion was made by Schmett, seconded by Fitch and carried to approve the application of rip-rap noted above.

Coomer requested permission to install laterals at 114 E 2nd Street where the homeowner does not live near here and has not been able to be notified, and the 100 block of North Washington Street where the homeowner is waiting on insurance to cover the lateral replacement. He would like this work done before these streets are paved. The material cost would be approximately \$1,000.00 each. Attorney Schneider noted the lateral is the property owner's responsibility and the City should not bear the cost of replacement. An agreement to reimburse the City was discussed. He noted property owners are responsible for the replacement and if the City has to do the replacement the City will bill the property owner.

A motion was made by Schmett, seconded by Fitch and carried to approve the repair of the laterals under the street to the curb line at 114 E 2nd Street and in the 100 block of North Washington Street, and bill the property owners for work done by the City and put a lien on the property if needed.

Fire Chief Heim presented his monthly report. He requested the Board declare the ambulance given to the City by the County surplus and authorize the return of the ambulance to the County. The ambulance will be used for training purposes by the County.

A motion was made by Schwinghamer, seconded by Souders and carried to declare the ambulance noted above surplus and authorize the return of the ambulance to Dubois County.

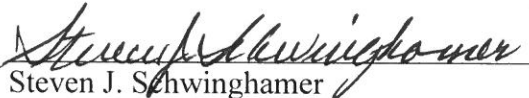
Planning Director Lake presented the monthly Code Enforcement report and the building permit report. He updated the Board on the burned out house on Washington Street and the home on Hwy 231.

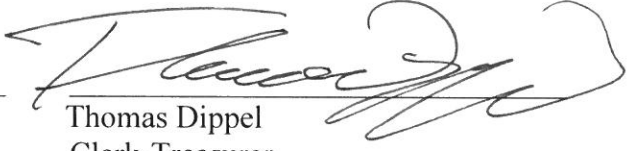
Safety Director Brown presented her monthly report. She is working on procedures for the pool/summer employees. She noted the insurance renewal process is beginning. She noted that all equipment needed for CPR training has been purchased so it does not have to be rented.

The Mayor informed the Board of his plan to address concerns of the bollards on 4th street. He suggests a trial program to remove some of the black bollards on 4th Street on a trial basis. He read his summary of the proposed program.

A motion was made by Schwinghamer, seconded by Schmett to accept the trial program.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Schwinghamer, seconded by Souders and carried at 9:03 A.M.


Steven J. Schwinghamer
Mayor


Thomas Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer