

## **UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, September 25, 2018**

**7:00 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, September 25, 2018 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 Blessinger, Kissling, Bounds, McPherron and Wehr were present. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Dippel and City Attorney Schneider. Mayor Spinner was absent.

Council President Pro Tem., Wehr called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blessinger and carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 11, 2018.

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

Council President Pro Tem, Wehr noted that this is the date, time and place published for the 2019 Budget public hearing. He opened the public hearing and asked the public and the Council if there were any comments on the 2019 Budget. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to close the budget public hearing.

A motion was made by Blessinger, seconded by McPherron and carried to introduce and number Ordinance No. 2018-26 entitled:

### **ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES (FOR 2019)**

It was noted that the budget adoption meeting is set for October 9, 2018.

Ordinance No. 2018-25, concerning no parking on either side of Clay Street from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to Church Avenue was previously introduced. It was noted that residents were sent letters of the proposed change and none of those residents contacted the City with concerns.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bounds and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-25 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. 2018-25 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2018-25 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:06 P.M.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented the monthly report for the Electric Utility. He noted the crews have been working most of the past month at the Waters on underground electrical repair. He noted crews are preparing to run conduit and wire to Phase 2 of Hunter's Crossing.

Reutepohler presented the monthly report for the Gas Utility. He noted receipt of a letter from the IURC requiring the City to review and verify records, training, mapping etc. and respond, due to the multiple explosions in the eastern United States.

Water Superintendent Meyerholtz presented the monthly Water Utility report. He informed the Board that the telemetry system failed again, taking about 8 hours to fix. The plant had to be run by hand until the system was back up. He informed the Board



that the water plant is running at or above capacity (800+ GPM). He noted the lake is now full and has rolled with the recent heavy rains. He indicated that he has met with representatives of Farbest Foods to schedule a time when they can interrupt production to allow for a telemetry system changeover. He will also talk to Patoka about the possibility of the City and Farbest running on Patoka water during the changeover. He noted that Farbest has indicated that they will consider a non-production day on January 21, 2019.

Meyerholtz informed the Board of water losses in the last month with approximately 236,000 gallons of the approximately 411,000 gallons lost due to contractor damaging main lines on the 12<sup>th</sup> Street road project. He indicated that once all the bills for the damage are in, he plans to bill the contractor for the damage.

Meyerholtz indicated that plans are to have the new telemetry system specifications complete by the end of September and put out for bid shortly after.

Meyerholtz requested the Board declare the old water meters, being taken out of service due to new SENSUS meter installation, surplus. He indicated there are buyers that can use the used meters, resulting in recovery of a small amount of the investment in the new SENSUS meters. He indicated he will do research to get the best money out of the meters as he possibly can.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blessinger and carried that the used water meters (referred to above) are no longer needed for the purpose that they were acquired and they are declared surplus, and the Water Superintendent is given the authority to use commercially reasonable means to dispose of the meters.

Meyerholtz requested adjustments to water tap fees noting the Utility is losing quite a bit of money every time a tap is done. Itemized costs of taps, current tap fee and proposed tap fees, were presented by size of tap (Exhibit A). There was discussion. Meyerholtz is to research and find out what other cities are charging for the taps by size of taps and other associated costs the customer pays in other cities.

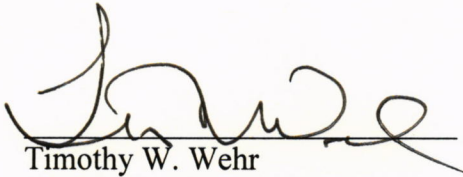
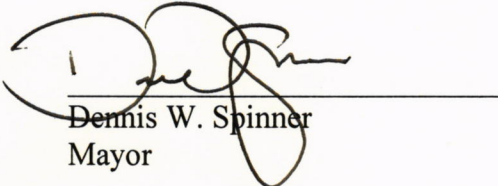
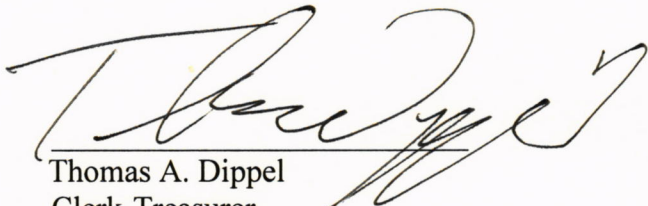
Allen and Pam Fritz, of 1312 N. Chestnut Street, Huntingburg, addressed the Council concerning the raising of Chestnut Street about one foot to line up with the railroad overpass project and the impact it has on their property. They wanted to express their displeasure and anger about not receiving timely notice of the project as they had just put their property up for sale. She noted the request of the City to sign an easement after the curb and driveway apron were already gone. She noted they signed the easement. They expressed that there should be a rule, ordinance or something requiring the City to notify people when such access to property is needed. She hopes the City will improve on this procedure in the future.

Attorney Schneider noted the late realization by the City that Chestnut Street project completion needed to match up with the opening of the new railroad overpass requiring the City to get the design done and take bids quickly in order to complete the project by the time the overpass was ready to open on November 1, 2018. He noted the fast track of the project and noted the City's failure of getting notification to homeowners that would be effected. He assured the Fritz's that their property would be put back to at least as good a condition as it was before the construction.

Apologies were expressed for the lack of communication.

Street Superintendent Stamm, explained the City's procedure and noted the planned replacement process would be for the contractor to get the driveway ready to pour and the Fritz's can choose the contractor to replace their driveway and the City will pay their personal contractor. The Fritz's were concerned about the timing of the project coinciding with their house showings. Stamm noted that there will be access to the Fritz's house throughout the construction project except around the concrete pouring dates.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by  
Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 o'clock P.M.

  
Timothy W. Wehr  
Presiding Officer  
Dennis W. Spinner  
Mayor  
Thomas A. Dippel  
Clerk-Treasurer



Common Council / Utility Board

9/25/18

7:00 p.m.

EXHIBIT A

2"

# SERVICE TAPS

QUANTITY	ITEM	INVOICE		PRICE
1	2" Omni water meter	5372736	\$ 1,846.00	\$ 1,846.00
2	2" meter gaskets	5373172	\$ 4.04	\$ 8.08
65'	2" type K copper	1250247	\$ 10.56	\$ 686.40
2	2--2" FIP adapters	1250247	\$ 84.03	\$ 168.06
1	2" brass core plug	1250247	\$ 10.51	\$ 10.51
1	2" X 3/4" reducer	1250247	\$ 14.31	\$ 14.31
2	2--2" MIP adapter	1250250	\$ 70.50	\$ 141.00
1	2" angle ball valve	1250249	\$ 283.31	\$ 283.31
1	2" angle chevk valve	1250249	\$ 291.14	\$ 291.14
1	20" x 30" reducer ring	1250249	\$ 13,188.00	\$ 131.88
1	8" x 2" taping saddle		\$ 152.00	\$ 152.00
1	2" Corp stop		\$ 239.23	\$ 239.23
1	2" MIP adapter	1250249	\$ 70.93	\$ 70.93
3	2" 90 elbows	1250249	\$ 183.74	\$ 551.21
2	2" couplings	1250249	\$ 94.42	\$ 188.84
2 ton	concrete sand		\$ 12.00	\$ 24.00
4 yds	Flowable fill		\$ 74.50	\$ 298.00
total			\$	5,104.90

Current tap fee \$1,250.00

Prepossed tap fee \$6,000.00

1 1/2"

## SERVICE TAPS

QUANTITY	ITEM	INVOICE	PRICE PRE	PRICE
1	1 1/2" Omni water meter	5372736	\$ 1,290.00	\$ 1,290.00
1	2" X 1 1/2" meter adapters	5373172	\$ 215.00	\$ 215.00
2	1 1/2" meter gaskets	5373172	\$ 2.74	\$ 5.48
2	2" meter gaskets	5373172	\$ 4.04	\$ 8.08
65'	2" type K copper	1250247	\$ 10.56	\$ 686.40
2	2--2" FIP adapters	1250247	\$ 84.03	\$ 168.06
1	2" brass core plug	1250247	\$ 10.51	\$ 10.51
1	2" X 3/4" reducer	1250247	\$ 14.31	\$ 14.31
1	3/4" X 1/4" bushing	1250247	\$ 2.95	\$ 2.95
2	2--2" MIP adapter	1250250	\$ 70.50	\$ 141.00
1	2" angle ball valve	1250249	\$ 283.31	\$ 283.31
1	2" angle chevk valve	1250249	\$ 291.14	\$ 291.14
3	3 --2" poly bell end adapters	1250249	\$ 28.13	\$ 84.39
1	20" x 30" reducer ring	1250249	\$ 131.88	\$ 131.88
1	6" x 2" tapped plug	1250249	\$ 42.16	\$ 42.16
1	2" MIP adapter	1250249	\$ 70.93	\$ 70.93
3	2" 90 elbows	1250249	\$ 183.74	\$ 551.21
2	2" couplings	1250249	\$ 94.42	\$ 188.84
8	Stainless sleeves	1250249	\$ 4.20	\$ 33.60
2 ton	concrete sand		\$ 12.00	\$ 24.00
4 yds	Flowable fill		\$ 74.50	\$ 298.00
total			\$	4,541.25

Current tap fee \$1,100.00

Preposed tap fee \$5,000.00

3/4"

## SERVICE TAPS

QUANTITY	ITEM	PRICE PER	TOTAL
1	3/4" Meter with end point	\$ 236.00	\$ 236.00
1	3/4" Angel meter shutoff	\$ 73.28	\$ 73.28
1	Vertical double check valve	\$ 74.00	\$ 74.00
1	Midstate 18" meter jug	\$ 54.00	\$ 54.00
1	Vestal meter lid and ring	\$ 57.51	\$ 57.51
1	8" X 3/4" saddle	\$ 62.92	\$ 62.92
1	3/4" corp stop	\$ 31.90	\$ 31.90
2	meter gaskets	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.25
65'	3/4" Type K soft copper	\$ 3.44	\$ 223.60
2 ton	concrete sand	\$ 12.00	\$ 24.00
4 yds	Flowable fill	\$ 74.50	\$ 298.00

Current tap fee \$750.00  
Prepossed tap fee \$1,500.00

TOTAL \$ 1,135.46

1"

## SERVICE TAPS

QUANTITY	ITEM	PRICE PER	TOTAL
1	1" Meter with end point	\$ 373.45	\$ 373.45
1	1" Angel meter shutoff	\$ 111.37	\$ 111.37
1	1" Vertical double check valve	\$ 132.28	\$ 132.28
1	Midstate 20" meter jug	\$ 61.00	\$ 61.00
1	20" Vestal meter lid and ring	\$ 62.15	\$ 62.15
1	8" X 1" saddle	\$ 62.92	\$ 62.92
1	1" corp stop	\$ 48.36	\$ 48.36
2	1" meter gaskets	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.74
65'	1" Type K soft copper	\$ 4.47	\$ 290.55
2 ton	concrete sand	\$ 12.00	\$ 24.00
4 yds	Flowable fill	\$ 74.50	\$ 298.00

Current tap fee \$900.00  
Prepossed tap fee \$1,800.00

TOTAL \$ 1,466.82