

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday, August 25, 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, August 25, 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 Dubon, Bounds, Kissling, McPherron and Wehr were present. Also present were Mayor Spinner, City Attorney Schneider and Clerk-Treasurer Dippel.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Bounds, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2020 Regular meeting.

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

Ed Cole, President of Dubois Strong, updated the Council on activities of Dubois Strong.

Jenny Dearwester, Housing Program Manager of Southern Indiana Development Commission, who is administering the City of Huntingburg's Owner Occupied Repair project through the Indiana Housing Authority opened bids for repair of the three remaining house repairs not awarded in the initial bidding. The only bids received were from Garner Construction. Dearwester noted that all work under contracts for OOR projects through the IHDCA has been suspended due to COVID-19 but she expects work to resume. She noted a letter was sent to the Mayor extending the grant date to December 17, 2021.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Wehr and carried to take the bids under advisement for review.

The bids are to be considered for award at the next meeting.

Attorney Schneider explained the need for the elected Council to acknowledge that they are the fiscal body responsible for binding review and approval of the Huntingburg Public Library's budget under IC 6-1.1-17-20.3 and 20.4 when the conditions exist that require such binding review.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the declaration as the City of Huntingburg as the fiscal body for the Huntingburg Public Library.

The Mayor presented a Project Development Agreement between the City of Huntingburg and S & S Properties, Corp. for the development of housing on Chestnut Street (Chestnut Gardens). The Mayor noted that there is \$70,000.00 set aside for Streets in the EDIT Fund for this project. The City will also contribute the cost of two employees from both the Water and Wastewater Utilities up to a total cost of \$4,000.00 each and as an economic development incentive, the City will install the underground electric distribution system and transformers and install all natural gas distribution mains and service lines necessary to serve the improvements in the project. The developer shall make capital investments of not less than \$5,000,000.00 no later than February 28, 2023. A summary of the City's costs was presented. (Exhibit A).

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Wehr and carried to allow the City to enter into a project development agreement with S & S Properties for the development of Chestnut Gardens properties.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented the monthly Gas Utility report. He noted crews have been working the whole month at 5th & Geiger Streets connecting relocated gas lines.

Reutepohler presented the monthly Electric Utility report. He presented quotes for a wood chipper. He recommended the low quote of \$34,415.35 from Bobcat of St. Louis.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Dubon and carried to accept the bid from Bobcat.

Reutepohler informed the Board that the Mayor has been in contact with Jeff Quyle, of Radius Indiana, Economic Development in Southern Indiana, about a possible grant for an electric vehicle charging station. There was discussion. The Mayor would like to move forward with seeking the grant.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to proceed with the grant process.

Water Superintendent Meyerholtz presented his monthly report. He informed the Board of work being done on Washington Street moving services from a 6 inch main to the 8 inch main. He noted that fall hydrant flushing will start August 31, 2020 and continue into September.

Meyerholtz indicated that he checked on the replacement chlorine generator discussed at the last meeting and noted the lead time on the generator was 6 to 8 weeks so he placed an order to get on the list which can be cancelled, if not approved. He noted the chlorine generator for the upgrade came in and it is a 480, 3 phase unit. After discussing with the Midwest Engineers he recommends going to the 480, 3 phase for both the replacement and the new upgrade as the City would need only one set of repair parts. The cost of the 480 would be \$59,737.00; \$5,107.00 more than the current 220.

John Wetzel, of Midwestern Engineers, presented a change order to the Huntingburg Machine Works contract for additional work done at Hwy. 231 and 2nd Street of the water distribution upgrade project. The change order is for \$40,215.00 and extends the substantial completion date to October 16, 2020 and the final completion date to November 15, 2020.

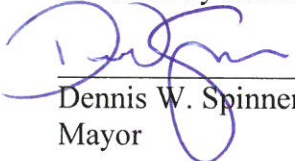
A motion was made by Wehr, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve Change Order No. 1.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to approve the purchase of a Chlorine Generator (480, 3 Phase, as described by Superintendent Meyerholtz).

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented as summary of the 2021 Budget with the tax levy. He requested permission to enter the information as presented into the State's Gateway system where it is considered "Published" for citizens to review.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the 2021 City budget for publication in the State's Gateway System.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Wehr, seconded by Kissling and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 o'clock P.M.


Dennis W. Spinner
Mayor

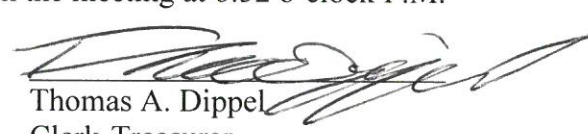

Thomas A. Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer

EXHIBIT A
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
August 25, 2020
5:30 pm.

Huntingburg Water	
Main Extensions into Property	\$ 32,934.06
Huntingburg Street	
Curb Extensions into Property	\$ 7,245.48
Huntingburg Electric	
North Chestnut Pole Replacement	\$ 7,180.31
CURRENT EXPENDITURES	\$ 47,359.85

Waste Water Department	
Labor	\$ 4,000.00
Water Department	
Labor	\$ 4,000.00
Huntingburg Electric	
Underground Electric - Beehive	\$13,000.00
Underground Electric - Chestnut Gardens	\$34,000.00
Huntingburg Gas	
Service Installation - Entire Property	\$2,000.00
	\$ 57,000.00

WITH UTILITIES	\$ 104,359.85
Huntingburg Street (EDIT)	
Contribution to Project	\$ 50,000.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTION	\$ 154,359.85