UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL
Tuesday, November 9, 2021
5:30 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 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 Bounds, Dubon, Kissling, and McPherron were physically present. Member Wehr was present virtually. 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 Schwinghamer, City Attorney Schneider and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Stevens.

Mayor Schwinghamer called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2021 meeting. Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Kissling to approve the claims as presented. Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

This is the date, time and place advertised for the public hearing for the sale of the China Wok building (317 E. 4th Street). The Mayor opened the public hearing. Attorney Schneider provided information on the process of the sale. The Mayor asked for comments from the public. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds to close the public hearing. Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Dubon to approve a proposed sale of the China Wok building (317 E. 4th Street). Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

The Mayor recommended setting a minimum bid for the proposed sale of the China Wok building (317 E. 4th Street).

A motion was made by Bounds, seconded by McPherron to set a minimum bid of $105,000 required for the sale of the China Wok building (317 E. 4th Street). Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

The Mayor recommended to set the bid period from November 26th thru December 10th for the sale of the China Wok building (317 E. 4th Street).

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bounds to set the bid period from November 26, 2021 thru December 10, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. for the sale of the China Wok building (317 E. 4th Street). Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

The Mayor presented to the Council a proposed Holiday schedule and a proposed addendum to the City of Huntingburg Policy and Procedure Manual for an additional holiday to be added to the list of approved holidays known as Juneteeth. Discussion followed on whether to add an additional holiday to the City's current list of approved Holidays, or replace one of the City's current floating holidays. Council requested more information on the cost of adding an additional holiday.

The Mayor informed the Council he had a meeting with INDOT (Indiana Department of Transportation) on the new stop light at the intersection of 14th Street and US 231. INDOT will be studying the flow and timing of the traffic signal timing.

Fire Chief Patberg requested the Council approve John Veatch, Austin Kaeck, and Rusty Bayer, which were recommended as candidates by the Board of Public Works and Safety, to the list of approved firefighters.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bounds to add John Veatch, Austin Kaeck, and Rusty Bayer to the Council's list of approved firefighters. Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented a quote from Brownstown Electric Supply to purchase 25 transformers in the amount of $56,310.00, with a 20 week lead time.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron to approve the Brownstown Electric Supply quote in the amount of $56,310.00. Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

Reutepohler presented a quote from Itron (United Systems & Software, Inc.) for a new meter reading handheld and software in the amount of $18,440.00. The current handhelds and software will no longer be serviced by Itron after December 31st.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Dubon to approve the Itron (United Systems & Software, Inc) quote in the amount not to exceed $18,440.00. Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

Mayor's Youth Council representative Max Rasche reported to the Council some of the Youth Council's ideas on land use and financial support for the land alongside the south side of the Overpass (Progress Parkway) that was donated to the City of Huntingburg.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 o'clock P.M. Upon call of roll for the acceptance of the motion, the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of approving the motion, the motion carried.

Steven J. Schwinghamer
Mayor

Amy M. Stevens
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer