

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
Thursday, January 4, 2024
8:30 A.M.

The Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Huntingburg met in regular session on Thursday, January 4, 2024 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall. Members Elkins, Fitch, Schmett, Souders and Blessinger were present. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Dippel and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Elkins called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Blessinger, seconded by Fitch and carried to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2023 regular meeting.

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

Kathryn Wilder and Mike Voegerl, representing the Huntingburg Merchants Association were present to answer questions about The Huntingburg Merchants Association Special Event Application for the Chocolate Stroll. The stroll is scheduled for February 9 and 10, 2024 on 4th Street in Huntingburg. Barricades are to be put up on Thursday afternoon in order to set up Igloos.

A motion was made by Schmett, seconded by Souders and carried to approve The Special Event Application for the Huntingburg Merchants Association's Chocolate Stroll.

Wastewater Superintendent Coomer presented his monthly report. He presented quotes for an OBIC multi-layer liner system for a 6 ft. diameter wet well near Farbest, with the low quote being \$11,000.00 from Advanced Rehabilitation Technology. Coomer noted there is a 20 year warranty on this system.

A motion was made by Souders, seconded by Blessinger and carried to approve the quote from Advanced Rehabilitation Technology for an OBIC multi-layer liner system for a 6 ft. diameter wet well in the amount of \$11,000.00.

Police Chief Parks presented his monthly report. He presented quotes for the purchase of one Durango. This quote includes the trade in of a 2014 Chevy Caprice. The Washington Chrysler quote was the low quote in the amount of \$38,678.25, with a \$5,000.00 trade in allowance.

A motion was made by Souders, seconded by Schmett and carried to approve the low quote of \$38,678.25 from Washington Chrysler for a 2024 Durango.

Parks informed the Board of an offer by Flock Safety to avoid a price increase and lock in pricing for the next 5 years at \$2,500.00 per camera (these are license plate monitoring cameras at the 4 main entrances to the City).

A motion was made by Blessinger, seconded by Fitch and carried to renew the contract (with Flock Safety) as described above.

Fire Chief Heim presented his monthly report.

Street Superintendent Stamm presented his monthly report. He presented quotes for reroofing the entire Street Department building.

Quotes received were:

Bunkum Valley Roofing	\$195,289.44
B&A Construction	\$294,678.00

Since the price is in excess of \$150,000.00 formal bids will need to be obtained and specifications put together. This item was tabled until next month until funding sources and other details can be determined.

Stamm informed the Board that the Community Crossing Matching Grant 2023-02 project will be advertised for bid on January 10 and 17, 2024, and bid opening scheduled for January 29, 2024; the work could be awarded in February. The Mayor would like to take full advantage of the funding available from the State for the Community Crossing Matching Grant projects (maximum grants are now \$1,500,000.00).


Stamm noted that the 2024-01 Community Crossing Matching Grant applications are due at the end of January. Streets considered in the application were discussed. Second Street and Clay Street projects will be applied for in this round (2024-01) of funding.

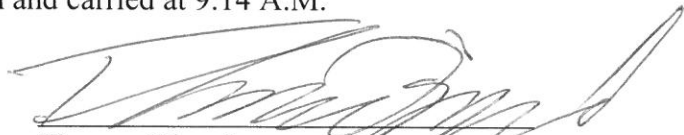
Stamm indicated that he plans to apply for preservation funding through the Community Crossing Matching Grant program.

Planning Director Lake presented his monthly reports. The Mayor noted that funding sources will be looked at to help home owners with cleanup and repairs for their homes.

Safety Director Brown presented her monthly report. She noted that the annual health fair will be held on February 29, 2024.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Blessinger, seconded by Fitch and carried at 9:14 A.M.


M. Neil Elkins
Mayor


Thomas Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer