## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY Thursday, July 11, 2024 8:30 A.M.

The Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Huntingburg met in regular session on Thursday, July 11, 2024 at the hour of 8:30 A.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall. Members Elkins, Fitch, and Souders were present. Members Blessinger and Schmett were absent. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Dippel. City Attorney Schneider was absent.

Mayor Elkins called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Fitch, seconded by Souders and carried to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2024 regular meeting.

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

Police Chief Kramer presented his monthly report. Kramer informed the Board that the police will have a "Coffee with a Cop" event on July 26, 2024 from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.at the Huntingburg Grind Coffee and Tea Company, inviting the public to come and talk with police officers. He noted that he is looking for more reserve officers; the current count is six, fifteen are authorized.

Justin Reed, representing Healing Hands International and Huntingburg Church of Christ, presented a special event application for "Walk4Water-Huntingburg" to be held Saturday, September 21, 2024 at the Huntingburg Church of Christ. The walking route was presented in the application.

A motion was made by Souders, seconded by Fitch and carried to approve the Walk4Water special event application.

Street Superintendent Stamm presented his monthly report. He noted that bids were received for the Community Crossing Matching Grant 2024-01 project, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Clay Street. River Town Construction, LLC was the low bidder with a \$643,395.50 bid. Stamm recommended the River Town Construction, LLC bid. It was noted that the engineers estimate was \$713,167.00.

A motion was made by Elkins, seconded by Fitch and carried to accept the low bid from River Town Construction, LLC of \$643,395.50.

Stamm informed the Board that bid requests for the 2024-01 Community Crossing Matching Grant project portion for rejuvenating various streets in the City has been prepared and bids are scheduled to be publicly opened on July 29, 2024.

He noted that he is working on the preparation of Community Crossing Matching Grant 2024-02 project that will include Geiger Street between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> Street between Chestnut Street and the Street Department building.

Stamm reported that the limbs are gone from the limb yard. A pile of wood chips has been left for the City to use around the City for weed barrier.

Fire Chief Heim presented his monthly report. He requested the Board recommend to the Common Council that Jennifer Bayer's name be added to the list of approved firefighters for the City.

A motion was made by Elkins, seconded by Fitch and carried to recommend to the Common Council that Jennifer Bayer's name be added to the list of approved firefighters for the City.

Heim presented quotes for 2,700 feet of fire hose. He recommended the low quote from Hoosier Fire in the amount of \$17,834.00.

A motion was made by Fitch, seconded by Souders and carried to approve the purchase of 2,700 feet of fire hose from Hoosier Fire for \$17,834.00.

Planning Director Lake presented his monthly reports.

Safety Director Brown presented her monthly report. She noted general liability insurance quotes received were up, so she will be sending requests for quotes back out.

Wastewater Superintendent Coomer presented his monthly report. He requested approval of an agreement between the City and Indiana 15 Regional Plan Commission for administration of labor standards associated with the new wastewater treatment plant and improvements project in the amount of \$15,000.00.

A motion was made by Elkins, seconded by Fitch and carried to approve the agreement between the City and Indiana 15 Regional Plan Commission for administration of labor standards associated with the new wastewater treatment plant and improvements project in the amount of \$15,000.00.

He noted the preconstruction meetings for Divisions A and B of wastewater project will be July 10, 2024. Division B is scheduled to start in August.

Glenn Kays, representing the Hunters Crossing Home Owners Association addressed the Board about parking issues in Hunters Crossing subdivision. He noted that parking needs to be uniform throughout the subdivision and that parking should not be allowed in cul-de-sacs for safety reasons. He also requested the police patrol more often as speeding is an issue with lots of kids around.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Souders, seconded by Fitch and carried at 9:12 A.M.

M. Neil Elkins

Mayor

Thomas Dippel Clerk-Treasurer