

**COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBART, INDIANA  
Ordinance No. 2015- 09**

**An Ordinance to Amend the Hobart Municipal Code to Authorize the  
Purchase of Blanket Bond or Crime Insurance Policy**

WHEREAS, the Common Council (“Council”) of the City of Hobart, Indiana (“City”) has taken note of the need to provide public officials bonds for certain officers of the City including the City Judge and the Clerk-Treasurer, as well employees responsible for dealing with City funds; and

WHEREAS, the City may purchase public officials bonds or crime insurance coverage on a blanket basis under the authority of I.C. §5-4-1-18 (b) which states that: “The fiscal body of a city, town, county, or township may by ordinance authorize the purchase of a blanket bond or a crime insurance policy endorsed to include faithful performance to cover the faithful performance of all employees, commission members, and persons acting on behalf of the local government unit, including those officers described in subsection (a) [City Judge and the Clerk-Treasurer];” and

WHEREAS, the purchase of a blanket bond or crime policy may result in lower cost to the City than individual bonds or policies, and the Council believes it to be desirable to authorize the purchase of a blanket bond or crime insurance policy; and

WHEREAS, the Council, through this Ordinance, desires to amend the City of Hobart Municipal Code to grant such authority,

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Hobart as follows:

*SECTION ONE.* The Municipal Code of the City of Hobart (“Code”), in Chapter 33 on “CITY POLICIES,” is amended by adding a new section to be designated Section 33.120 and entitled “BLANKET BOND OR CRIME INSURANCE POLICY” in a new Sub-Chapter to be titled “*Bonds and Insurance,*” to read as follows:

**§ 33.120. BLANKET BOND OR CRIME INSURANCE POLICY.**

The City, acting by and through the Clerk-Treasurer, is authorized to purchase, as needed, a blanket bond or crime insurance policy endorsed to include faithful performance to cover the faithful performance of all City employees, commission members and other persons acting on behalf of the City, including the City Judge and Clerk-Treasurer. The amount of the bond of the clerk-treasurer, and any Barrett Law fund custodian are fixed as follows:

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(1) The amount must equal thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for each one million dollars (\$1,000,000) of receipts of the officer's office during the last complete fiscal year before the purchase of the bond, subject to subdivision (2).

(2) The amount may not be less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) unless the Common Council approves a greater amount for the officer or employee.

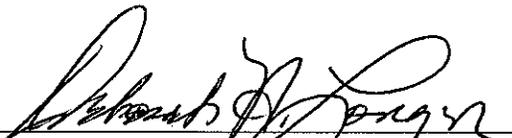
Notwithstanding the foregoing two sentences, the State Board of Accounts may fix the amount of an official's bond or crime policy as prescribed in I.C. §5-4-1-18 (h) (i) & (j).

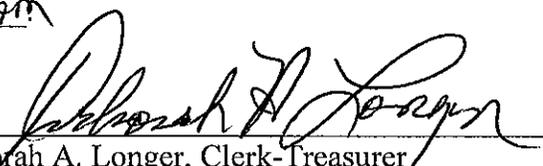
*SECTION TWO:* This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption in the manner required by law.

*SECTION THREE:* All ordinances or portions thereof in effect prior to the effective date and in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

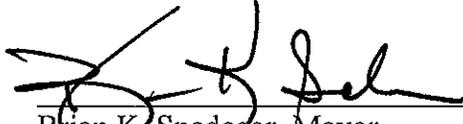
ALL OF WHICH is PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Hobart, Indiana on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

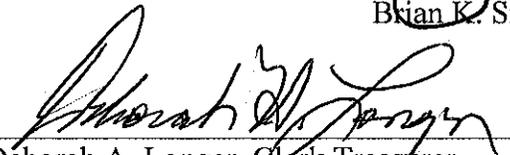
  
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Brian K. Shedecor, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:   
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Deborah A. Longer, Clerk-Treasurer

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Hobart on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of JUNE, 2015 at the hour of 8:30 AM  
  
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Deborah A. Longer, Clerk-Treasurer

91 APPROVED, EXECUTED and RETURNED by me to the Common Council of the City  
92 of Hobart on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of NOV<sup>ER</sup>, 2015.

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97 Brian K. Snedecor, Mayor

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101 Deborah A. Longer, Clerk Treasurer