

**Board of Public Works & Safety
and Park Authority Meeting
Monday, August 26, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.
Ligonier City Hall · 301 S. Cavin St. · Ligonier, IN 46767**

Call to order: Mayor Fisel

Roll Call

Present: Board Members Earle Franklin, Tom Janes, and Mayor Patty Fisel
City Attorney Steve Clouse and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Minutes from previous meeting August 14, 2019

Motion to approve: Earle Franklin Second: Tom Janes Vote: All Ayes

Unfinished Business

Eagles Nest – Sewage Billing

Eagles Nest meter was repaired, and we will have a meter reading for the next billing according to WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague. It appears the new billing will be in the \$8300 range. It was also discovered that we are not billing the current rate of \$4.75 since the rate increase in 2014, but at the old rate of \$2.93.

Tom and Lynn from Eagles Nest were present. They were asking for a credit for the months their billing was almost doubled which was due to errors from their meters which were working properly. There was discussion as to what amount the credit should be for the seven months due to the error in the rate. That discussion led to the following.

Motion to allow a \$21,000 credit to Eagles Nest for overcharges during months their meter was not working properly: Patty Fisel Second: Tom Janes Vote: All Ayes

New Business

Fire Dept. – 5 Alarm Quote for MSA's

5 Alarm is the dealer in our area for compatible MSA packs. The packs are approved in the capital budget. Jeremy asked permission to proceed with the purchase of 24 sets for a total cost of \$30,000.

Motion to approve: Patty Fisel Second: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes

Department Heads and Members of Administration

Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver

- Getting everything ready for the Marshmallow Festival this coming weekend.
- Used the UTV at the Relay for Life this past weekend at Kenney Park.

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- Getting ready to put everything up for the weekend.

Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer

- Preparing for the weekend.

Park Director Travis Brimhall

- Highly visible shirts were purchased for the safety of the employees cutting grass.
- Relay for Life was at Kenney Park this past weekend.
- September 13, Hispanic Independence Day celebration will be in Kenney Park.
- Flag Football sign up is in progress.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Working on meter change outs. Close to 100 done this summer. Adding to the asset management program.

WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague

- Garage Building is coming along. Should be ready in about a week or so.
- Had an employee resignation – last day September 6. Plan to wait until spring to hire a replacement.

City Engineer Rick Pharis

- Niblock has completed the community crossing project for this year. Will do a run through with Mike. Plan to have the pay application at next meeting.
- API will have the final pay application for last years' community crossing project at the next meeting.
- Plans from INDOT for the last sign. Working with Jason and Matt for the sign going west on Lincolnway.

Building Inspector/Board Member Earle Franklin

- Granite Ridge is moving dirt in the Park Meadow III edition. They also have a variance request to build a model home on Union Street that they plan to use as a sales office for about three years.

Mayor Fisel's Comments

- Noble County Park Board is updating their Google Maps – Steve Hook is doing a changeover and listings of the outdoor recreational sites. DNR public access sites will be as well. Want us to be sure our listings are correct and up to date.
- EDC board is looking for an appointee to work on the broadband working group to ensure we are adopting best practices that encourage, expedite, and support broadband development. Looking for someone to represent Ligonier.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Patty Fisel

Second: Tom Janes


Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer


Patricia Fisel, Mayor