

**Board of Public Works & Safety
and Park Authority Meeting
Wednesday, June 10, 2020 – 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 of May 27, 2020

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

New Business

Water Dept. – B Glowinski Certification

Benjamin Glowinski passed his test for his DSL license and is eligible for a 50 cents per hour raise.

***Motion to approve effective with the beginning of the next pay period: Tom Janes
Second: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes***

Fire Dept. – Volunteer Application

Michael Weaver has applied to be a part of the Volunteer Fire Dept. If approved he will be on Military Leave until he returns from the Marines.

Motion to approve: Tom Janes Second: Patty Fisel Vote: All Ayes

WWTP – Quote for Repair

Repairs are necessary for a pump at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. A drive went out on one of the main blowers. The cost is \$3,185.00 for the rebuild.

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

Department Heads and Members of Administration

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- Busy patching holes and cleaning the streets.
- The city clean-up is Saturday, June 20, 2020 at the Wastewater Plant.
- Stop signs were installed in Park Meadow II.

Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer

- The car we ordered is in.
- Jerod is back at the Academy. There was one week of distance learning and will be two weeks of face to face meetings.
- Met with Margarita White regarding the Marshmallow Festival. City made the recommendation not to hold. They want to wait until the Governor updates the health emergency to make a final decision. Prefer that we not put the first responders in jeopardy by the festival being held on the fire station grounds.
- We are still working with INDOT on the problem at the Viaduct – we are going on 20 years plus for them to take care of the problem with the flooding. This is an INDOT problem, not a city problem. Rick met with INDOT in person and made suggestions for them to correct the issue with the catch basins.

Park Director Travis Brimhall

- Getting ready to open the Rec Center on July 6 and Splash Pad on July 4.
- Farmer's Market opened last Saturday. Three vendors this week. Had about 60 buyers come through.
- Out of town teams using our baseball diamonds for practices and scrimmages.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Started going into homes to change meters. Employees are wearing masks when they go in. We are changing about 5 per day.
- There have been few issues on Phase II of the trail. We are on a two-week delay. Trees, grass, and fence are the only things left to do.
- Thanks to Barb for sending the picture of the clear pool water filled from her hose. Appreciate hearing this news. The project at the plant worked to clear up the problems with the city water.

WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague

- A letter of non-compliance from IDEM was received on metals. Main metal was mercury which we cannot do anything about. There is no way to remove it. Did discover a discrepancy in the testing method which should help. Will investigate other areas that may be affecting it. We responded to IDEM.
- Sewer line blockage yesterday. Thought they had water in their crawl space. We did get the problem resolved.

City Engineer Rick Pharis

- Contract signing for the Fire Station with Schenkel on the fire station project is on Friday.
- We will apply for the Community Crossings Grant on July 6, 2020.

Building Inspector/Board Member Earle Franklin

- Two additional applications for houses at Park Meadow II for sold homes. Streetlights were installed last week.

Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

- Work has begun by Baker Tilly for the GO Bonds which will be used for street paving.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Earle Franklin

Second: Tom Janes


Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer


Patricia Fisel, Mayor