

**Board of Public Works & Safety  
and Park Authority Meeting  
Wednesday, June 28, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.  
Ligonier City Hall • 301 S. Cavin St. • Ligonier, IN 46767**

**Call to order by**

**Roll Call**

Present: Board Members Tom Janes, Ron Terry, and Mayor Earle Franklin

City Attorney Jack Birch and Deputy Clerk Robin Galloway

Absent: Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

**Minutes from previous meeting of June 14, 2023**

***Motion to approve: Tom Janes***

***Second: Ron Terry***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**New Business**

**Sewer Credit for 701 Water Street**

Teresa Belmares has had a leak for many months. The Utility Office and Water Department have been working with her the entire time on the problem. Ben Glowinski had graphed the property multiple times and she was told she had continuous leaks. She said she had plumbers check and they found no leaks. After many attempts to get access to the house, she finally let Ben Glowinski in to check for the leaks. He found three leaks went on the ground. Since the homeowner was told many times she had a leak and would not allow the Water Department in to verify, the Utility Office recommends allowing a credit only for June's excess sewage charge since the water did not go down a drain. The credit would be \$94.73.

***Motion to approve a sewer adjustment of \$94.73 for June 2023: Ron Terry***

***Second: Tom Janes***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Police Department – Memorandum of Understanding for the SRO Program with West Noble School Corp.**

The Police Department and West Noble School Corporation must now have a written agreement with regards to the SRO Program. The Memorandum of Understanding was drafted. WNSC Superintendent Nate Lowe and Police Chief Bryan Shearer agree to the terms and conditions and are asking for Board of Works approval.

***Motion to approve: Ron Terry***

***Second: Tom Janes***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**IT Department – VFP Fire Systems – Quote for New Alarm System at City Hall**

IT Director Gary Cox explained that the 13 year old alarm system is not working properly. He has to reset the panel every day for it to work or the alarms go off. This happened after the maintenance performed this spring. A quote from VFP Fire Systems for a new alarm with demo and installation is \$14,101 plus \$695 to install a cell communicator. Although this was not in the capital budget, Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn is working with the accountants to work the cost into this year's plan.

***Motion to table until the next meeting when Clerk-Treasurer confirms the funding: Earle Franklin***

***Second: Tom Janes***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**WWTP – Quotes for Replacement Pump and Panel**

WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague previously mentioned that the pump and controls at the Lincolnway Lift Station were not working properly. He provided quotes from Indiana Pump Works, one at \$26,403 and one at \$23,903. He is recommending we approve the \$26,403 quote.

***Motion to approve: Earle Franklin***

***Second: Tom Janes***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Water – Quote to Peerless Midwest, Inc.**

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle brought a quote from Peerless Midwest to raise the backwash pipe to satisfy the new state air gap requirements. The cost is \$4,250.

***Motion to approve the quote to Peerless for \$4250: Earle Franklin***

***Second: Tom Janes***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Comments by Members of Council and Administration**

**Street Superintendent Mike Burdette**

- Thanks to other departments for their help with the damage from the storm on Sunday.

**Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer**

- We will accept our SRO National Conference Model Agency this Friday.

**WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague**

- The blower motor on the old vactor truck is going out and getting quotes. The initial estimate is \$20,000. We will split the cost with the Water Department.

**City Engineer Rick Pharis**

- The deeds for the Commerce Drive project have been prepared. Have been distributing them to the property owners for their signatures.

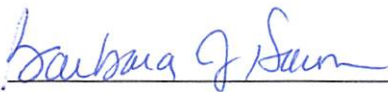
Mayor Earle Franklin

- Star of the West is expanding their parking lot to the property they own across the street from the mill.

Adjournment

*Motion to adjourn: Tom Janes*

*Second: Ron Terry*



Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer



Earle Franklin, Mayor