

**Board of Public Works & Safety  
and Park Authority Meeting  
Wednesday, April 09, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.  
Ligonier City Hall · 301 S. Cavin St. · Ligonier, IN 46767**

**Call to order by Mayor Earle Franklin**

**Roll Call**

Present: Board Members Tom Janes, Ron Terry, and Mayor Earle Franklin  
Also Present: City Attorney Jack Birch and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

**Approval of Minutes of March 26, 2025**

***Motion to approve: Ron Terry                      Second: Tom Janes                      Vote: All Ayes***

**New Business**

**Fire Department – Hydro Testing Quotes**

Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver presented quotes for hydro testing of SCBA cylinders.

- Hydro-SCBA Testing (Off-site): \$3,789.00
- Mobile Hydro Testing (On-site): \$3,235.25

Chief Weaver recommended selecting the mobile testing option, which brings a trailer on-site for testing.

***Motion to approve the \$3,235.25 quote for mobile testing: Tom Janes***

***Second: Ron Terry                      Vote: All Ayes***

**Park Department – Weight Room Equipment Quotes**

Park Director John Parrish presented quotes for a new thigh machine for the Women's Weight Room at the Rec Center, as the current equipment is beyond repair.

- Stone Equipment: \$3,075.00
- Fitness Factory: \$3,499.00
- Fitness Direct: \$3,499.99

Director Parrish recommended purchasing from Stone Equipment, the lowest bidder and current vendor for preventive maintenance.

***Motion to approve the Stone Equipment quote for \$3,075.00: Earle Franklin***

***Second: Tom Janes                      Vote: All Ayes***

**WWTP Employee Wage Increase Request**

Kendra Repogle has passed her Class III Operator certification. WWTP Superintendent Ben Glowinski recommended promoting her to Assistant WWTP Superintendent with a wage increase to \$25.00/hour (a \$2.10/hour raise). The contract with FirstGen will remain in place to assist with other plant operations.

***Motion to approve the job title change and wage increase of \$2.10/hour: Ron Terry***

***Second: Tom Janes                      Vote: All Ayes***

**Comments by Members of Council and Administration**

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

- Code enforcement is active; residents are being reminded about the May city cleanup.

**Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle**

- Lead line replacements for 2025 are underway and will be completed before the street paving project begins.
- All meters at West Noble School Corporation will be replaced once school is out for summer.
- A tree on Main Street will be removed due to a curb stop embedded in the roots.

**Park Director John Parrish**

- Kenney Park restrooms will open this weekend for scheduled events; other park facilities will open as temperatures permit.

**Building Inspector Elroy Mast**

- An LP tank concern on Martin Street was addressed. It is temporary, pending NIPSCO line installation, which is expected in four months.

**City Engineer John Nelson**

- A preconstruction meeting for the paving project will take place at the end of April.
- Three projects—Strawberry Valley Trail, Veteran's Memorial, and Sewer Lateral—are under review by the VS Engineering team, assigned to Jonathan Moen.
- Collaborated with Street Superintendent Mike Burdette on a list of streets for the CCMG-2 2025 Grant. This list was sent to VS Engineering for preliminary estimates, expected by the end of April. A funding review with Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn will follow.

**Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn**

- The Redevelopment Commission confirmed this morning that they will fund the livestreaming equipment purchase in the amount of \$13,136.

**Mayor Earle Franklin**

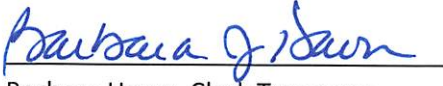
- Provided an overview of a housing development in Wabash, Indiana, completed by Club 720, which is currently collaborating with the city on a similar project along US 33.

**Adjournment**

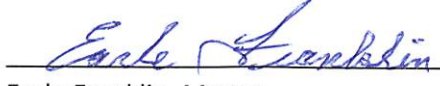
*Motion to adjourn: Tom Janes*

*Second: Ron Terry*

*Vote: All Ayes*



Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer



Earle Franklin, Mayor