

**Board of Public Works & Safety
and Park Authority Meeting
Wednesday, August 13, 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, Ronny Terry, and Mayor Earle Franklin
City Attorney Laura Kaufman and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Approval of Minutes of July 23, 2025

Motion to approve: Ronny Terry

Second: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

New Business

Wastewater Treatment Plant – ROTORK Replacement Project

Wastewater Superintendent Benjamin Glowinski provided an update on the ROTORK Replacement Project. In a previous meeting, approval was granted to repair a valve for approximately \$12,000. However, Indiana Pump Works was unable to restore the valve to working condition. The valve was then sent to the manufacturer, ROTORK, who also determined it could not be repaired. They advised that the valve was too seized due to lack of maintenance by the previous administration of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Indiana Pump Works reduced their repair charges to \$8,500. A quote was received for a new ROTORK valve, including installation, in the amount of \$11,284. This pump automates the wasting process throughout the 24-hour day, which is healthier for the plant compared to the previous pump that processed everything at once—at times approaching daily limits. Discussion led to the following:

Motion to approve: Earle Franklin

Second: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

VS Engineering – Contract for CCMG 2026-1 Project

Landon Geiger of VS Engineering provided a contract for engineering services on the Community Crossings 2026-1 Project. He explained the components of the contract. The total amount of the contract is \$94,150.

Motion to approve: Tom Janes

Second: Ronny Terry

Vote: All Ayes

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- The department personnel finished painting curbs and tree trimming for school.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Work is ongoing at Family Express to locate the water main for NIPSCO. Approximately 10–12 feet have been uncovered to date. The line extends under the viaduct and river, requiring additional excavation. The tracer wire was found to be broken off, adding to the difficulty of the project.
- A tap is being made for the sprinkler system at the Fire Station, near the Veteran's Memorial.

Mayor Earle Franklin

- Expressed appreciation to the City Fire Department and all other departments that assisted with the fire at Fashion Farm.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Ronny Terry

Second: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes



Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer



Earle Franklin, Mayor