

**Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting
Wednesday, October 24, 2012 - 1:30 p.m.
Ligonier City Hall · 103 W. Third St. · Ligonier, IN 46767**

Call to order by: Mayor Fisel

Roll Call

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

Bid Opening – Back Wash Tank

The following sealed bids were received for the back wash tank and opened by City Engineer Rick Pharis:

Company	Address	Total Bid	Forms Received
J Jamco Construction	Elkhart, IN	\$176,060	Yes
Grand River Construction	Hudsonville, MI	\$163,800	Yes
Robert E Crosby	Fort Wayne, IN	\$177,530	Yes
Thieneman Construction	Westfield, IN	\$188,000	Yes
HRP Construction	South Bend, IN	\$174,400	Yes
Selge Construction	Niles, MI	\$192,000	Yes
Cripe Excavating	Syracuse, IN	\$107,950	Yes
S & L Concrete	Millersburg, IN	\$118,500	Yes
Ld Docsa	Kalamazoo, MI	\$269,000	Yes
API Construction	LaOtto, IN	\$147,000	Yes

City Engineer Rick Pharis thanked the contractors who submitted bids and attended the bid opening. His recommendation was that bids be taken under advisement.

Motion to take bids for the back wash tank under advisement by: Tom Janes

Seconded by: Patty Fisel Vote: All Ayes

Minutes from previous meeting of October 20, 2012

Motion to approve by: Tom Janes Seconded by: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes

Citizens Comments - None

Unfinished Business

- **Streets – Crack Sealed**

Three quotes were requested to have certain streets in the city crack sealed. This will provide longer protection of the streets.

Quotes were requested from: Pavement Solutions – Middletown, IN, Pavement Maintenance System – Indianapolis, IN, and American Pavements – Plain City, OH

Only Pavement Solutions provided a quotation for a total of \$29,718. Previously, RDC made a commitment of up to \$15,000 for Martin/Gerber Street in the Industrial Park which lies in the Warren TIF district.

Discussion led to the following:

Motion to approve the quote from Pavement Solutions in the amount of \$29,718 by: Patty Fisel

Seconded by: Tom Janes Vote: All Ayes

New Business

- **Alley near 718 Jay Street**

The resident of 718 Jay Street has asked that the alley at the rear of the property be paved as they are currently mowing the grass. Building Inspector Earle Franklin visited the property and advised that paving would also require tree removal. CE Rick Pharis does not support paving as it would likely cause cars to drive at unsafe speeds through the alley. CA Steve Hagen advised that the city can keep the alley as is and would not recommend vacating as it may be needed at some future time.

Motion to leave the alley near 718 Jay Street as is by: Patty Fisel

Seconded by: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

Department Heads and Members of Administration

Building Inspector Earle Franklin: Earle received complaints regarding a burned out property on Ravine Park Drive which has been unsecured for more than three years. The property owner is listed as Torres. A letter has been sent. An additional burned out property on Union Street was addressed. The owner has previously said he wishes to reconstruction on this foundation. However, the foundation is not in good condition. Contact has been made. As no action has been taken by either owner, it was recommended to turn the properties over to CA Steve Hagen for his review and contact of property owners.

Motion to allow City Attorney Steven Hagen to address both properties by: Earle Franklin

Seconded by: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

Board Member Tom Janes: Tom commended Earle Franklin for the great job he is doing as building inspector in taking care of the problems that arise.

Mayor Patty Fisel: Mayor Fisel thanked everyone for the job they are doing. She requested that department heads be sure to contact CE Rick Pharis regarding projects they wish to undertake – the engineers are here to help. Mayor Fisel gave an update on the new city hall project. The expected completion date is December 28, 2012. We had hoped to hold the last council meeting of the year in the new facility but feel that it will be better to wait until the project is completed.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by: Patty Fisel

Seconded by: Tom Janes