

**Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting
Wednesday, May 28, 2014 - 1:30 p.m.
Ligonier City Hall · 301 S. Cavin 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 and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Minutes from previous meeting of May 14, 2014 and May 19, 2014

Motion to approve: Tom Janes

Second: Earle Franklin

Vote: All Ayes

Citizens Comments

Eldon Smith – on behalf of Oak Park Cemetery

The cemetery is being charged for fire protection (hydrant) and storm water fees on their utility bill. Mr. Smith is requesting an adjustment. Per City Attorney Steve Hagen, because fees are part of the rate ordinance we would need to look into the matter further.

Mr. Smith also asked for irrigation to be turned on for the tree mound at the cemetery. A local foundation formerly paid for the water service but no longer provides this service. The board will take the matter under advisement in order to speak with Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle who is currently on vacation.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business

▪ **WWTP**

With the resignation of Mark Schultz as WWTP Superintendent, Mayor Fisel announced that Diana Smith, who has considerable experience and seniority in the department, will serve as the interim supervisor for the department as we search for a replacement. The Mayor thanked Diana for agreeing to do so.

▪ **Quotes for Televising and Camera Truck**

The IDEM agreed order calls for televising of lines. Mark Schultz had begun to research the costs and requested quotes for televising versus the purchase of a camera truck. Sewage Utility personnel John Layman and Kenny Sprague submitted the quotes for consideration. Mark had been working with Jim Frazell and Rick Pharis of Triad, the city's engineering firm, regarding the pros and cons of each. At this time the board's decision is to take the quotes under advisement.

▪ **CDL – Kenny Sprague**

Kenny Sprague of the WWTP successfully passed his CDL prior to the 90 day probationary period. He is eligible for a \$1.00 per hour pay increase at the end of probation which would be effective on the pay period beginning June 22, 2014.

Motion to allow a \$1.00 per hour pay increase for Kenny Sprague beginning June 22, 2014, contingent on successfully completing the probationary period: Patty Fisel

Second: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

Department Heads and Members of Administration

Mike Burdette, Street Superintendent

- The new dump truck chassis is in and should be delivered to WA Jones this week to have the bed and plow installed.

Jeremy Weaver, Fire Chief

- Quotes were requested from four companies for replacing the concrete apron on the west side of the fire station. Only one company, Hochstetler Concrete, provided a quote. It came in at \$6,048. This is the same company that replaced the east side apron last year and recently did some work at Kenney Park.

Motion to accept the quote of \$6048 from Hochstetler Concrete to replace the apron on the west side of the Fire Station: Earle Franklin Second: Tom Janes Vote: All Ayes

Earl Franklin, Building Inspector

- Thanks to water and wastewater personnel for their help in marking lines on Main Street. An existing residence will be tapping on to city water and sewage.
- Contact was made regarding zoning on a property on the northwest side for a body shop. Earle will meet with City Engineer Rick Pharis regarding the matter.

Mayor Fisel's Comments

- We have had requests for a 50-50 program for sidewalk replacement. Mayor Fisel wanted to remind residents that the city will remove concrete at no charge on sidewalks for public use in front of residences in the city. Generally the removal cost of an existing sidewalk is comparable to 50% of the cost of the project. Interested residents can contact Street Department Superintendent Mike Burdette.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Patty Fisel Second: Tom Janes