

Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting
Wednesday, 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 January 14, 2015

Motion to approve: Earle Franklin Second: Tom Janes Vote: All Ayes

New Business

▪ **Reimbursement Request – David Mehl, 406 W 2nd Street**

A sewer line collapse caused a back up to the home of David Mehl at 406 West Second Street. Don Skinner verified and a photo was taken. Resident paid \$328.32 in cleaning fees and is asking for reimbursement.

Motion to approve reimbursement for the sewer back up in the amount of \$328.32: Tom Janes

Second: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes

▪ **Conflict of Interest Disclosure – J Cunningham, Land Application**

Jeff Cunningham presented his annual conflict of interest disclosure due to the fact that he is a city employee and we land apply to his fields.

Motion to approve: Tom Janes Second: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes

Jeff asked the board if they would be willing to reimburse him for the additional diesel fuel it costs him as it takes four additional trips across the field per application. He is willing to track the costs and bring back to the board.

Motion to allow fuel reimbursement based on tracking fuel costs: Patty Fisel

Second: Tom Janes Vote: All Ayes

▪ **Volunteer Fireman Application – Jacob Snyder**

Jacob Snyder applied to be a volunteer fireman. The background check has been completed and Chief Weaver recommended hiring.

Motion to approve the hire of Jacob Snyder as a volunteer fireman: Patty Fisel

Second: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes

▪ **Water Tower Lease**

The contract for the Verizon water tower lease was received and reviewed by City Attorney Steve Hagen. It is recommended that the final draft be accepted as is and signed as is.

Motion to accept and sign the water tower lease as is: Patty Fisel

Second: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes

Department Heads and Members of Administration

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- Thanks for the assistance of other department personnel for getting the trucks working

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Middlebury Electric put a meter on the well that went down a few months ago to track voltage prior to having a repair made. The cost is approximately \$50 per day.

WWTP Superintendent Don Skinner

- Submittals for the project were received from Jonathan Moen of Triad
- Schedules for the vactor truck have been prepared and we are coordinating with API to clean the lines in the project area before the project begins

Park Director Alan Duncan

- The Department of Natural Resources will begin the canoe launch project this summer with anticipated completion by September

City Engineer Rick Pharis

- The new glass window for the utility window should be installed the week of February 10
- We have begun Information gathering for the water grant. The public hearing will be held Monday, February 23

Building Inspector/Board Member Earle Franklin

- An antennae permit for the water tower was received.
- Vibracoustics inquired regarding permits to install solar panels

Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

- The 1782 notice was received today. The MVH budget was reduced by \$3,316 and Park budget reduced by \$2,323. Will meet with the department heads so they can make the adjustments to line items. The tax rates were reduced due to higher assessed valuation than used for budgeting purposes.

Mayor Fisel's Comments

- Notice was received from an auction company taking items and was forwarded to department heads
- Notice was received from IDEM that air permits for Structural Composites and Precision Tank were approved
- The State of the City address will be held Thursday, February 12, 2015 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Earle Franklin

Second: Tom Janes