

Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting
Wednesday, April 22, 2015 - 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 Earle Franklin, Tom Janes, and Patty Fisel

City Attorney Steve Hagen, City Engineer Rick Pharis, and Chief Deputy Clerk Trish Clark

Absent: Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Minutes from previous meeting of April 8, 2015

Motion to approve by: Earle Franklin

Second: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

New Business

Recommendation for Paving Program Bid Award

City Engineer Rick Pharis presented a letter of recommendation from Triad for the paving program based on the three bids received for the project. They recommended the contract be awarded to Niblock Excavating in the amount of \$111,700.00, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

Motion to award the paving program to Niblock Excavating in the amount of \$111,700.00:

Earle Franklin

Second: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

Contracts for Paving Program

The contracts were not available to be reviewed by the board at this time.

Motion to allow signing the contracts with Niblock Excavating subject to receiving acceptable contracts: Patty Fisel

Second: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

Department Heads and Members of Administration

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- City wide cleanup was a success and the busiest one yet. Republic Services sent two trucks and only allowed one to be used at a time. This caused traffic to backup on the highway. There was further discussion to address issue for the future.
- Started cutting down dead trees in the city right of way last week. Have completed 15 trees with only a couple more to go.
- Several streets in the city have been damaged due to digs by NIPSCO. NIPSCO approved the hire of Pulver Asphalt to do the repairs at their expense.

WWTP Superintendent Don Skinner

- Bio Towers are coming down and removal of the media on the east tower is underway.
- Started digging on Lincolnway West today.
- Attended the Alliance Seminar on Effective Utility Management along with Jeff Boyle. Sheri Winters of the Alliance is always looking for locations to have presentations. Suggested that Ligonier would be happy to offer City Hall or another location that fits their needs.
- Recommended a letter be sent to the owner of 211 Hagen Street for a fence under construction that will fence in our manhole, a violation of a city ordinance.
 - Earle Franklin explained the owner would put a two section gate in so the city could access the manhole. There was further discussion of the issue.
 - Steve Hagen will review the ordinance and variance process in this matter.

Motion to inspect the manhole and allow the fence with the two section gates for access: Patty Fisel

Seconded: Tom Janes

Vote: All Ayes

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Grant meeting yesterday went well. We need letters and comments from residents as to the reasons the city needs the grant. May 11 is the public hearing date for the grant.

Park Director Alan Duncan

- Finished concrete for splash pad
- Iron fence will be built

City Engineer Rick Pharis

- The well points on Lincolnway west are working.

Building Inspector/Board Member Earle Franklin

- Issued permit to Robert Lord to begin repairs to 214 South Cavin Street address.
- Thank you to Gary Cox for taking care of the mobile meth lab that a citizen found.

Mayor Patty Fisel

- Received the second Facade application
- RDC will be meeting Monday, April 27, 2015 at 9:00 am

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by: Tom Janes

Seconded: Earle Franklin