

**Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting  
Wednesday, September 9, 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 Tom Janes, Earle Franklin, and Mayor Patty Fisel  
City Attorney Steve Hagen and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

**Minutes from previous meeting of august 26, 2015**

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

**Unfinished Business**

**Update on property at 600 Johnson Street – Cornell**

The matter was reviewed by the City Engineer and City Attorney. Landon Cornell provided documents showing payments of \$3556.40 in expenses since 2013 when their sewer tap was terminated. City Attorney Hagen advised the board to weigh the cost benefits of settling versus a court case and propose a possible compromise. A settlement amount of \$1250.00 was discussed, which would be inclusive of the sewer fees paid for service not received. The city will not pursue litigation against API Construction, the contractor.

***Motion to authorize payment of \$1250.00 towards settlement of the issue and responsibility of the city,  
subject to the city attorney drafting the proper paperwork: Tom Janes  
Second: Patty Fisel      Vote: All Ayes***

**New Business**

**API – Pay App #4**

Pay App #4 for API Construction for the wastewater project in the amount of \$252,510.75 was presented and verified by Jonathan Moen of Triad.

***Motion to approve API Construction pay app #4 in the amount of \$252,510.75: Patty Fisel  
Second: Earle Franklin      Vote: All Ayes***

**LD Docsa – Pay App #6**

Pay App #6 for LD Docsa for the wastewater project in the amount of \$259,582.50 was presented and verified by Jonathan Moen of Triad.

***Motion to approve API Construction pay app #6 in the amount of \$259,582.50: Tom Janes  
Second: Earle Franklin      Vote: All Ayes***

**Department Heads and Members of Administration**

**WWTP Superintendent Don Skinner**

- API will be ready to start in the alley behind the downtown businesses soon. The alley should be closed to all but construction traffic. Residents will be contacted regarding parking. Gary Cox will have Mike Alexander notify residents. Trash Dumpsters for the businesses will be moved to the end of the alley for pick up.
- API is also moving to Smith Street.
- Dee Revnyak from Triad will be assisting with the NPDES permit renewal and a CSO audit this month as well as updates with the Streamline Mercury Variance Report.

**Street Superintendent Mike Burdette**

- On behalf of Mike Burdette, Jeff Boyle thanked all of the departments for their help with the festival clean up.

**Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle**

- Continuing to change meters.
- Tim Buchanan is off for a few days due to a spider bite.

**Police Detective Gary Cox**

- The city shares one of the county radio frequencies with other Noble County departments. The channel is overloaded which can affect the safety of our officers. A proposal from the Noble County Sheriff's Department for the city to have its own frequency on the dispatch system was received. The cost for equipment and installation is \$9500. The Sheriff's Department would pay \$3000, leaving a onetime cost to the city of \$6500 as the Sherriff's Department would pay for all maintenance. Funds are available in CCD to pay the city's share.

***Motion to approve the \$6500 cost for the radio frequency and equipment: Tom Janes***

***Second: Patty Fisel***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**City Engineer Rick Pharis**

- The flooding/drainage issue at Pizza Hut and Burnworth Zollars on US Highway 6 was discussed with Sarah Bausman of INDOT. The issue will be researched.

**Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver**

- On behalf of Chief Weaver, Barb Hawn presented a quote for new MSA air packs that would be compatible with the new fire truck which is on order. The quote is from 5 Alarm, the local distributor for the air packs. The total cost for the equipment is \$174,082. A financing option for 5 years with two annual payments of \$18,844.03, interest rate of 2.95%, was also received. Cum Fire funds would be used for the payments. City Attorney Hagen advised the board to take the quote under advisement to have the records reflect the statutory requirements regarding one quote.

***Motion to table the air pack purchase until the next Board of Works meeting: Patty Fisel***

***Second: Earle Franklin***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Building Inspector/Board Member Earle Franklin**

- Two new homes under construction are nearly completed, one in Southfield and one in Park Meadow.
- A map of the two mile jurisdiction for zoning was distributed.

**Board Member Tom Janes**

- Questions regarding the open position at the Wastewater Treatment Plant were asked regarding qualifications and pay based on qualifications. A range of pay from \$12.00 to \$18.50 is in the current salary ordinance.

**Mayor Fisel's Comments**

- A bid package from Herman and Kittle for the garment property was received today. The RDC will meet on Friday morning at 9:00 to open bids. If their bid is accepted, they will proceed with their grant application which is due November 2, 2015 with an award date in February 2016.
- Thanks to all that helped to make the Marshmallow Festival successful. Thanks to the city departments for their hard work.
- Stone's Trace Festival is this coming weekend.

**Adjournment**

***Motion to adjourn: Tom Janes***

***Second: Earle Franklin***