

**Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 23, 2016 - 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 February 24, 2016**

***Motion to approve: Tom Janes***

***Second: Earle Franklin***

***Vote: All Ayes***

Mayor Fisel acknowledged that City Engineer Rick Pharis was present at today's meeting and added she is thankful to have him back with us.

**New Business**

**LD Docsa – Pay Application #12**

LD Docsa pay application #12 in the amount of \$87,714.72 was received. Jonathan Moen of Triad approved and recommended authorization of payment.

***Motion to approve pay application #12 in the amount of \$87,714.72 to LD Docsa: Patty Fisel***

***Second: Earle Franklin***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**API Construction – Change Order #4 (Extension Request)**

Change order #4 from API Construction was received. The change order is a request to extend the project from April 1, 2016 to June 15, 2016. Jonathan Moen of Triad recommended authorization of the change order.

***Motion to approve change order #4 from API and grant an extension of the project date: Tom Janes***

***Second: Earle Franklin***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Water Dept. – Quotes for Line Locator**

After demonstrations with several line locators, three quotes were received for the brand that worked the best. The cost includes a one year warranty and a transducer valued at \$350. The water department does not have use for the transducer but the sewage department does. Don Skinner agreed to pay \$350 of the cost from the sewage operating.

Utility Supply	\$4750.00
Wayne Pipe	\$4207.47
Ferguson	\$4897.00

***Motion to approve purchase of the line locator from Wayne Pipe @ \$4207.47: Tom Janes***

***Second: Earle Franklin***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Water Dept. – Fluoride Fact Sheet**

The city has been feeding fluoride into the water system since the 1970's. It is no longer necessary for several reasons according to Jeff Boyle including: natural levels in the water and nearly all toothpastes now contain fluoride. The city's engineering firm, Triad, has recommended that we stop feeding the fluoride as they too feel it is not necessary and not required. In addition, Jeff provided a fact sheet indicating an annual savings of approximately \$10,000.

***Motion to allow the discontinuation of the addition of fluoride to the city's water: Earle Franklin***

***Second: Patty Fisel***

***Vote: All Ayes***

## Department Heads and Members of Administration

## **Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver**

- The final inspection of the new fire truck was done on March 14. The truck will be featured at the FDIC trade show in Indianapolis in April. We will take possession following the close of the show. Ligonier Fire personnel will drive the truck back from Indy.

## **Street Superintendent Mike Burdette**

- Three quotes for a new mower for mowing the ditches were received. The current mower is having issues and is not safe. All quotes include trade in.

Goshen Farm	\$12,534
Truelove	\$13,000
Van Gorder	\$10,000

***Motion to approve the purchase of the mower from Van Gorder @ \$10,000: Tom Janes***

**Second: Earle Franklin**      **Vote: All Ayes**

- Would like to spend \$25,000 from the MVH budget to replaces some sidewalks on Main Street and solicit quotes to do so. After discussion, it was determined additional information was needed.

## **Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer**

- Quotes for carpet in the squad room were solicited. It is so worn; it can no longer be cleaned.

## **Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle**

- A hydrant at College and South Martin Street was hit.
- The department will start flushing hydrants on March 24, 2016, weather permitting.

WWTP Superintendent Don Skinner

- An update of the project at the plant was provided. They are working with LD Docsa on revisions in the SCADA bids.
- The annual conference was in French Lick. Information from Malcolm Price suggested leaving a one foot stub at the end of new lines to allow for expansion.
- IDEM is reviewing the Phosphorus limit specs.
- Lisa Janes passed her CDL test. Recommending the \$1.00 per hour increase to her as allowed in the salary ordinance.

***Motion to approve a \$1.00 per hour pay raise to Lisa Janes for obtaining the required CDL license and effective at the start of the next payroll: Patty Fisel      Second: Earle Franklin***

**Roll Call Vote: Patty Fisel – Ave      Earle Franklin – Ave      Tom Jones – Abstain**

- Don commented that when Diana Smith received her CDL approximately 12-15 years ago, she did not receive a pay increase. Discussion included the time lapse and the fact that the salary ordinance did not specify an increase at the time. City Attorney Hagen can look further into the issue including the salary ordinance and job description if needed.

## **Mayor Fisel's Comments**

- Herman and Kittle received their tax credits and hope to start construction of the apartment complex in the fall.
- There is a road funding bill in the legislature seeking approval tomorrow. The projection for Ligonier appears to be a good amount.
- The Regional Cities funding was approved. It is too soon to know which project will receive funding. We are continuing to attend meetings.

## Adjournment

***Motion to adjourn: Tom Janes      Second: Earle Franklin***