

**Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting
Wednesday, June 27, 2018 – 10:00 a.m.
Ligonier City Hall · 301 S. Cavin St. · Ligonier, IN 46767**

Call to order: Mayor Fisel

Roll Call

Present: Board Members Tom Janes, Earle Franklin, and Mayor Patty Fisel
City Attorney Steve Clouse and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Minutes from previous meeting of June 13, 2018

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

New Business

S & S Directional – Change Order #1

S & S is asking for a contract extension to July 31, 2018, basically due to weather. The change order does not have any monetary changes, just the additional 39 days.

***Motion to approve S & S Directional Change Order #1: Tom Janes
Second: Earle Franklin Vote: All Ayes***

Employee Wages

Mayor Fisel addressed the issue of wages stating that we are unable to find new employees at a starting wage of \$12.00 per hour. We have recently hired employees with some experience at a higher wage, but this leaves current employees below the new hires. We have developed a plan to increase pay to civil employees to make their wages comparable. The wages are all still within the guidelines of the salary ordinance. The overall annual financial impact was reviewed by Umbaugh who feels we will be able to afford the increases. A matrix with the individual employees was and presented to the board members. After review and discussion, the following was offered.

***Motion to approve the wage increases per the matrix, effective July 1, 2018: Earle Franklin
Second: Tom Janes Vote: All Ayes***

Department Heads and Members of Administration

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- We are still taking applications for the 2018 sidewalk program.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- The project is wrapping up. Working on Third Street to Main Street. Sidewalks and curbs are going in. The paving will start after sidewalks.
- The controls portion of the project is still working out some communication issues. Crosby will be asking for an extension at the next meeting.

WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague

- Have found a few sink holes and are working to fix them.

City Engineer Rick Pharis

- The Union Street paving project will be bid since the quotes came in way over the engineer's estimate and the \$150,000 quote threshold. This is a Redevelopment Commission project.
- Working on quotes for the Third Street extension going into the back of the park for the compost site.
- Still working with API Construction on the issues for the homes on East Miller Street from a previous Wastewater project.


Building Inspector/Board Member Earle Franklin

- Tractor Supply Company will be opening on June 30, 2018.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Patty Fisel Second: Tom Janes


Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer


Patricia Fisel, Mayor