

Ligonier Common Council Meeting
Monday, June 10, 2013 – Ligonier City Hall
301 South Cavin Streets – Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Call to order by Mayor Fisel

Roll Call

Present: Council members Chris Fought, Becky Gray, and Julia Bell
Mayor Patty Fisel, City Attorney Steve Hagen, and Deputy Clerk Trish Clark
Absent: Council President Ken Schuman, Council member Kelly Ware, Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Minutes from previous meeting of May 13, 2013

Motion to approve: Chris Fought

Second: Julia Bell

Vote: All Ayes

Citizens Comments

Name & Address: Jerry Donley

Comment: Strawberry Daze Festival is June 15 at Pettit Park. Jerry asked about road closing – hoping to be open to local traffic but not certain.

Name & Address: Julie Simmons, 201 Fulton Street

Comment: Asked about yard restoration after sewer/storm water separation project. Will be restored to the way they were before the work.

Name & Address: Bob Buttgen

Comment: Asked about Operation Foundation. Chris Fought confirmed they are taking this year off.

Unfinished Business - none

New Business

▪ Ordinance 836-2013 – Sewage Penalty

Ordinance 836-2013 was introduced. It spells out the penalty to the sewage portion of a customers' bill when it is past due to 10%.

Motion to pass ordinance 836-2013, Sewage Penalty, on the first reading: Julia Bell

Second: Becky Gray

Vote: All Ayes

▪ Ordinance 837-2013 – Stormwater Penalty

Ordinance 837-2013 was introduced. It spells out the penalty to the storm water portion of a customers' bill when it is past due to 10%,

Motion to pass ordinance 837-2013, Stormwater Penalty, on the first reading: Julia Bell

Second: Becky Gray

Vote: All Ayes

▪ Ordinance 838-2013 – Water Penalty

Ordinance 838-2013 was introduced. It spells out the penalty to the water portion of a customers' bill when it is past due to 10%,

Motion to pass ordinance 838-2013, Water Penalty, on the first reading: Julia Bell

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

The public hearing for all three ordinances with penalty rates will be held on Monday, June 24 at 7:00 pm

▪ Ordinance 839-2013 – Amended Credit Card

Ordinance 839-2013 was introduced, which amends the credit card ordinance. Due to the patriot act, generic department credit cards are no longer acceptable. Amendment of the ordinance allows the credit cards to be in the name of authorized employee on behalf of the city.

Motion to pass ordinance 839-2013, amended credit card, on the first reading: Chris Fought

Second: Julia Bell

Vote: All Ayes

▪ CEDIT Plan for 2014-2015

A proposed CEDIT Plan for 2014-2015 was submitted to council for approval. Discussion led to the following.

Motion to approve the CEDIT Plan for 2014-2015: Chris Fought

Second: Becky Gray

Vote: All Ayes

▪ **Library Resolution 0610-2013**

A resolution to confirm a resolution of the site control for the public square which the library is built on was introduced. The resolution was necessary for the library to proceed with their federal grant.

Motion to approve Resolution 0601-2013: Chris Fought

Second: Julia Bell

Vote: All Ayes

Claim Registers – APV # 39501-39801

Motion to approve: Chris Fought

Second: Becky Gray

Vote: All Ayes

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Park Director Alan Duncan: Thanks to all of the departments, mayor, clerk, council for their help with the splash pad. Thanks to Chris Fought and Owens for the good deal on concessions for a non-profit.

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette: A cement mixer has been ordered. This will allow the departments to do affordable repairs on sidewalks and curbs as needed.

Public Safety Director Bryan Shearer: The school is waiting on a safe school grant for sidewalks. Thanks to everyone who toured the remodeled fire department at the open house. The fire department now has a 24 hour phone in the lobby. The BOW approved the purchase of a police car pending funding. Riverboat funds can be used. Bryan asked council to approve pending the additional appropriation process to. The cost of the vehicle is \$26,340.

Motion to allow the use of Riverboat Fund to purchase the needed police car: Julia Bell

Second: Becky Gray

Vote: All Ayes

Council Member Chris Fought: Thanks to Alan for all the hard work with the splash pad project.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Patty Fisel: We have proceeded with a lawsuit for clean up on the property of the Garment Building and Torres property on Ravine Park Drive. Notice has been sent to the owners.

Region III-A sent notification of a CDBG Grant and will hold three meetings with different locations. Contact the Mayor for further information.

Many complaints regarding railroad crossings have been received. The Mayor was able to make contact with the railroad asking for their assistance since we cannot have all of the crossing closed at the same time due to safety issues. She asked her contact about the Pigeon Street crossing. He is to put her in contact with someone who can look into the matter.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Chris Fought

Second: Julia Bell

Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

Patricia Fisel, Mayor