

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting
Monday, February 23, 2015 · Ligonier City Hall
301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Call to order by Mayor Fisel – Public Hearing for Water Grant

Kristine Christlieb of Region III-A, the city's grant administrator, asked permission of the council to conduct the public hearing.

Motion to approve: Ken Schuman

Second: Julia Bell

Vote: All Ayes

The city will apply for a CDBG grant through OCRA for a water project. Monies are offered through HUD with a maximum amount of \$550,000. The matching monies are to be provided through an SRF loan. Seven letters of need from the community are needed for the grant application noting how the project will impact the community.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle addressed the specifics of the project and the explained the need for each of the project pieces.

The grant application is due in May will be awarded in August. This type of grant is available only once per year.

As there were no further questions or comments, the public hearing was closed by Mayor Fisel at 7:35 pm.

Call to order by Mayor Fisel – Common Council Meeting

Roll Call

Present: Council President Ken Schuman, Council Members Chris Fought, Becky Gray, and Julia Bell
Mayor Patty Fisel, City Attorney Steve Hagen, and Clerk Treasurer Barb Hawn
Absent: Council Member Kelly Ware

Minutes from previous meeting of February 9, 2015

Motion to approve: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Citizens Comments

Name & Address: Daric Weimer, Main Street

A road closure request was made for a road race on the evening of May 1, 2015. Each stretch of road would be closed for approximately 20 minutes. Daric has been working with Police Chief Shearer on the specifics. Shearer said the department will work with Weimer to make it work. The street department will provide the barricades to close the streets.

Motion to allow: Chris Fought

Second: Ken Schuman

Vote: All Ayes

New Business

Ordinance 862-2015 (Flood Hazard)

Zoning Administrator Earle Franklin has been in contact with the DNR regarding the flood plain and the necessity for a flood plain ordinance to homeowners in the flood plain to be able to continue their flood insurance. Without the ordinance, the homes would be uninsurable.

Motion to pass ordinance 862-2015 on the first reading: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to suspend the rules and pass ordinance 862-2015 on the second reading: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to further suspend the rules and pass ordinance 862-2015 on the third and final reading: Ken Schuman
Second: Chris Fought **Vote: All Ayes**

Holsinger Annexation

A fiscal plan for Krdh LLC Lincolnway South, Ligonier Indiana Annexation Area was presented. This is a small strip of land near McDonalds is surrounded by, but is not part of the city. Resolution 0223-2015 was available to adopt the plan.

Motion to adopt the Krdh LLC Fiscal Plan and pass Resolution 0223-2015: Chris Fought
Second: Ken Schuman **Vote: All Ayes**

Claim Registers – APV # 44577-44665

Motion to approve: Ken Schuman Second: Chris Fought Vote: All Ayes

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer

- The annual report was scheduled for tonight but will wait until next meeting with hopes of a full council

Building Inspector Earle Franklin

- The library will be moving back to their building on Main Street this weekend
- There were eight new homes built in the city last year. Contractors are looking for lots to build homes.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- If residents have a water freeze up, call the water department right away. The longer you wait, the more difficult to unthaw.

WWTP Superintendent Don Skinner

- A meeting is set up with Dee Revnyak and Jim Frazell this week

City Engineer Rick Pharis

- Working on the 2015 Paving Program. Hope to have ready to bid in March.
- The new security window in the utility office should be installed next week

Mayor Fisel's Comments

- A thank you was received from SJRB for the donation
- A developer interested in the garment building property (Erika Scott from Herman and Kettle) will be here on March 26 to check out the property

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Chris Fought ***Second: Ken Schuman***