

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting
Monday, July 25, 2016 · Ligonier City Hall
301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Call to order by Mayor Fisel

Roll Call

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

Minutes from previous meeting of July 11, 2016

Motion to approve: Julia Bell

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Citizens Comments

Name & Address: Alice Cripe and Phil Cohn – 606 West Second Street

Mrs. Cripe and Mr. Cohn inquired about repair of damaged street caused by the water main break. It needs more stone. Street Superintendent Mike Burdette will have more stone added. Quotes are currently being solicited for the repair/replacement of the main. The street will be paved when the main repair is completed.

New Business

St. Joseph River Basin Commission Request for Contribution

As in past years, a request for a \$100 donation from the city was received from the St. Joe River Basin Commission. The commission oversees the water shed and what happens upstream effects us. Discussion led to the following.

Motion to approve a \$100 contribution to the St. Joseph River Basin Commission: Ken Schuman

Second: Julia Bell

Vote: All Ayes

Claim Registers – APV # 48869-49001

Motion to approve: Julia Bell

Second: Ken Schuman

Vote: All Ayes

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver

- The fire department will hold an MDA Boot Drive on August 20 at the intersection of US 6, US 33, & SR 5.
- The annual photo fundraiser is wrapping up.

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- Grinding stumps in connection with Operation Foundation.

Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer

- Thank the city for the opportunity to attend the meeting at the White House. It was a real honor to attend the 21st Century Police Policy briefing and hear the President speak. Bryan gave a recap of the meeting.
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Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Attended AWWA Classes. New procedures are being implemented. Retired professionals are teaching the classes.
- We did not receive the water grant and will be reapplying for the second round.

WWTP Superintendent Don Skinner

- The Vactor truck is out systematically.
- The plant project is coming along. Piping changes are almost completed.
- Looking at a sludge press.

Council Member Chris Fought

- Operation Foundation will hold a meeting with department heads at Strong Tower tomorrow at 6 pm.
- Projects and volunteers are still being accepted for Operation Foundation.

Council Member Julia Bell

- Informed the council that Karen Richendollar, a former council member passed away in Texas.

Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

- Asked for dates for the budget public hearing and adoption. The public hearing will be September 12 with adoption October 10.
- Received confirmation from members that the June bank reconciliation and fund reports were received.

Mayor Fisel's Comments

- Asked that Mayor Suzanne Handshoe of Kendallville be kept in thoughts and prayers as she is dealing with cancer treatments.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought