

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting**  
**Monday, September 11, 2017 · 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 Annexation**

Public Hearing was held for annexation of property south of the city limits. There were no comments. Hearing was closed by Mayor Fisel.

**Call to order by Mayor Fisel – Public Hearing for Additional Appropriations**

Public Hearing was held for additional appropriations from the Public Safety LIT in the amount of \$180,000. There were no comments. Hearing was closed by Mayor Fisel.

**Roll Call**

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

**Minutes from previous meeting of August 28, 2017**

*Motion to approve: Chris Fought      Second: Julia Bell      Vote: All Ayes*

**New Business**

**Resolution 0911A-2017 – Adoption of Annexation Fiscal Plan**

A fiscal plan for annexation was prepared by Umbaugh. Resolution 0911A-2017 adopts the fiscal plan.

*Motion to pass Resolution 0911A-2017 Annexation Fiscal Plan: Ken Schuman  
Second: Chris Fought      Vote: All Ayes*

**Ordinance 910-2017 – Annexation Ordinance**

Ordinance 910-2017 approving the annexation of property into the city limits was available for first reading.

*Motion to pass Ordinance 910-2017 (Annexation) on the first reading: Ken Schuman  
Second: Chris Fought      Vote: All Ayes*

**Ordinance 909-2017 – Parking on Marilyn Avenue**

Ordinance 909-2017 allows parking on the east side of the street and prohibits parking on the west side of the street.

*Motion to pass Ordinance 909-2017 (Parking on Marilyn Avenue) on the first reading: Chris Fought  
Second: Julia Bell      Vote: All Ayes*

*Motion to suspend the rules: Chris Fought      Second: Julia Bell      Vote: All Ayes*

*Motion to pass Ordinance 909-2017 (Parking on Marilyn Avenue) on the second reading: Chris Fought  
Second: Julia Bell      Vote: All Ayes*

*Motion to pass Ordinance 909-2017 (Parking on Marilyn Avenue) on the third and final reading: Chris Fought  
Second: Julia Bell      Vote: All Ayes*

The ordinance will be advertised and enforceable 30 days after publication.

### **Ordinance 908-2017 – Additional Appropriations**

Ordinance 908-2017 is for additional appropriations from the Public Safety LIT (Local Income Tax) fund. The county established the Public Safety LIT funding beginning 2017. Therefore, a budget was not created in the normal budgeting process for 2017.

*Motion to pass Ordinance 908-2017 (Additional Appropriations) on the first reading: Ken Schuman  
Second: Becky Gray      Vote: All Ayes*

*Motion to suspend the rules: Ken Schuman      Second: Becky Gray      Vote: All Ayes*

*Motion to pass Ordinance 908-2017 (Additional Appropriations) on the second reading: Ken Schuman  
Second: Becky Gray      Vote: All Ayes*

*Motion to pass Ordinance 908-2017 (Additional Appropriations) on the third and final reading: Ken Schuman  
Second: Becky Gray      Vote: All Ayes*

### **Resolution 0911-2017 – Intra Fund Transfer of Monies**

With the approval of the capital plan prepared by Umbaugh, certain transfers are required within the General Fund. Resolution 0911-2017 approves the appropriation number transfers.

*Motion to pass Resolution 0911-2017 (Intra Fund Transfers): Ken Schuman  
Second: Becky Gray      Vote: All Ayes*

### **Claim Registers – APV #52136-52258**

*Motion to approve: Julia Bell      Second: Becky Gray      Vote: All Ayes*

### **Comments by Members of Council and Administration**

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

- Public Safety day at Fashion Farm is Saturday, October 21
- The festival was a success with no incidents to report.

#### **Street Superintendent Mike Burdette**

- Thanks to everyone who helped with the festival clean up.
- Citywide cleanup is this Saturday.
- Getting the equipment ready for fall and winter.

#### **Park Director Alan Duncan**

- The Splash Pad is now closed for the season and will start to winterize.
- Senior fitness and group fitness start this week.
- Flag football starts Saturday.
- The statues were installed at Pettit Park.

#### **Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle**

- Divers cleaned the retention tank today.
- Met with Goshen College students from Merry Lea and they will partner with us on community involvement and ideas with the trails project, trying to develop a program to get the younger generation involved.

#### **City Engineer Rick Pharis**

- A pre-construction will be scheduled for the water project after the closing of the SRF loan on September 18.
- Waiting to hear on the Community Crossings grant for street improvements.
- The paving of the track at Kenney Park to 12 feet wide will be bid soon.

**Council Member Chris Fought**

- The Plan Commission is working to update the Comprehensive Plan. The next meeting is Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the Dekko Room of the County South Annex. If anyone has feedback of what they would like incorporated into the plan, please let Chris know.

**Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn**

- Bank reconciliation and fund reports were part of the council meeting packet. Members acknowledged receipt.
- The public hearing for the budget is at the next meeting on September 25 with adoption on October 9.

**Mayor Fisel's Comments**

- Emailed the Governor's office regarding the viaduct. Received a reply and had a meeting with representatives from the governor's office, Norfolk and Southern Railroad and Congressman Jim Bank's office. Hoping to see some actions to repairs needed. Public safety is the concern. The Pigeon Street crossing was also discussed in this meeting. The railroad will not reopen the crossing. Depot Street, the brick street near the viaduct was also addressed. We will attempt to work on a lease or purchase of the street from the railroad. The Mayor thanked all who participated.

**Adjournment**

*Motion to adjourn: Chris Fought*

*Second: Ken Schuman*