

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting**  
**Monday, March 26, 2018 · 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 Members Chris Fought, Kelly Ware, and Julia Bell

Mayor Patty Fisel, Clerk Treasurer Barb Hawn, and Guest Attorney Rachel Tran

Absent: Council President Ken Schuman, Council Member Becky Gray, and City Attorney Steve Clouse

**Minutes from previous meeting of March 12, 2018**

***Motion to approve: Chris Fought***

***Second: Julie Bell***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Claim Registers – APV #53684-53784**

***Motion to approve: Chris Fought***

***Second: Julia Bell***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Comments by Members of Council and Administration**

**Street Superintendent Mike Burdette**

- Will be taking trees down next week for only four homeowners. The remainder will be in the parks. Alfrey's Tree Service will be used this year.
- City truck is being repaired. The injectors went out and the cost is approximately \$5,000.
- The new compost site will be behind the rec center at Kenney Park, the old ravine.
- Jason Stump put in his two-week notice. We will hire for the position. Plan to contact the school to see if they have a senior interested in working in the on the job training program like the water department is doing, with the plan to hire full time after graduation.

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

- The Ligonier Industrial Development Corp. (LIDC) owns the land the compost site is on and has allowed the city to use the property for many years. They were approached by a local company about purchasing the land. This is the reason we are relocating the compost site. Feel it will be a better spot and hope will eliminate the dumping done at the current site.
- The Cavin Street Bridge on State Road 5 will be closed on or about April 2 for approximately 30 days. A notice from INDOT states traffic will be redirected and access to homes and businesses will be maintained throughout the work.

**Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle**

- Thanks to Samantha for her article in the Advance Leader on Daniel. Have received positive comments.
- Daniel is catching on well and wants to learn more. He has been a great asset in communication with our non-English speaking customers.
- S & S is making progress on the project but is running about 12-15 days behind caused primarily by weather. Expect to see a request for extension of 30 days. Project should still be completed in June.
- Crosby is waiting on a master meter to continue work at the plant.

**WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague**

- Tentatively plan to spread sludge the second week in April on the farmer's field.

**Building Administrator Earle Franklin**

- Two new homes are being built. BZA met tonight regarding one of the lots for a variance on setbacks.
- Plan Commission will meet tomorrow night regarding separation of land for the annexed property owned by John Cousens.

**Council Member Chris Fought**

- Asked if we are considering a TIF area in the annexed land. It has been discussed at the RDC meeting and is a possibility. It is advised that we wait until the plans for development is further along.

**Mayor Fisel's Comments**

- After the plan commission meeting and the subdivision of the annexed property with the portion purchased by AEP for the substation and the survey lines, the owner will be ready to turn the planning over to his developers who will create a preliminary plan are open to input.

**Adjournment**

***Motion to adjourn: Chris Fought***

***Second: Kelly Ware***

  
Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

  
Patricia Fisel, Mayor