

Ligonier Common Council Meeting
Monday, September 10, 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 – Public Hearing to Vacate Public Way

The LIDC (Ligonier Industrial Development Corp.) filed a petition to vacate a public way, a retention area, at the previous council meeting. Public Hearing was advertised, and neighboring owners were notified. There were no comments received and no members of the public attending to speak to the matter. Therefore, the public hearing was closed.

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 Clouse, and Clerk Treasurer Barb Hawn
Absent: Council Member Kelly Ware

Minutes from previous meeting of August 27, 2018

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

New Business

Ordinance 926-2018 (Vacating a Public Way)

The ordinance pertaining to the public hearing to vacate the public way was available for passage.

Motion to pass Ordinance 926-2018 on the first reading: Chris Fought
Second: Ken Schuman ***Vote: All Ayes***

Motion to suspend the rules: Chris Fought Second: Ken Schuman Vote: All Ayes

Motion to pass Ordinance 926-2018 on the second reading: Chris Fought
Second: Ken Schuman ***Vote: All Ayes***

Motion to pass Ordinance 926-2018 on the third and final reading: Chris Fought
Second: Ken Schuman ***Vote: All Ayes***

Ordinance 924-2018 (Zoning Ordinance Amendments)

Ken Hughes prepared the amendments to the zoning ordinance which received a favorable recommendation for passage by the Plan Commission. He explained the major changes and answered questions from members of council.

Motion to pass Ordinance 946-2018 on the first reading: Chris Fought
Second: Ken Schuman ***Vote: All Ayes***

A motion by Julia Bell to suspend the rules failed due to lack of a second.

Claim Registers – APV #55019-55160

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

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer

- Made it through the Marshmallow Festival without incident.
- Mercer from SR5 to Water will be temporarily closed for work on the viaduct. Hoping to keep one lane of SR5 open when the steel work begins. They are repairing the side walls.
- The Fire Dept. SOP's (Standard Operating Procedures) were received from HR Unlimited. City Attorney Clouse has reviewed them. They will be forward to council for review and on the next agenda for approval.
- October 20 is Public Safety Day at Fashion Farm during Pumpkin Fantasyland.

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- The festival cleanup went well.
- Still working on the 50-50 sidewalks.
- API is working on the curbs on Second Street and the ADA ramps for the sidewalks in the paving project.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Working with the contractors to get the project wrapped up. S & S has a small punch list. Crosby still has several things to finish up.

Building Administrator Earle Franklin

- Thanks to Ken Hughes for his help on the zoning ordinance amendments and with the plan commission updates. Getting close. He has been a tremendous help.

City Engineer Rick Pharis

- API is working on the sidewalk portion of the paving project.
- Niblock will be starting three projects soon including Union Street.

Council Member Chris Fought

- Thanks to the Marshmallow committee and city departments for their work on the festival. Appreciate all the work that goes into making a good festival.

Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

- Community Clean up is this Saturday at Woodlawn Park from 8-1.
- Public hearing for the budget is at the next meeting on September 24.

Mayor Fisel’s Comments

- Received a letter from I & M regarding maintenance of customer owned street lights. They will no longer provide maintenance. Will contact them to see which of our lights are customer owned.
- Thanks for the cooperation on the festival. There is much that happens behind the scenes to make it happen. Unfortunately, we have no control over the weather.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought



Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer



Patricia Fisel, Mayor