

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting
Monday, October 14, 2019 · Ligonier City Hall
301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Call to order by Mayor Fisel – Common Council Meeting

Roll Call

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

Minutes from previous meeting of September 23, 2019

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

New Business

Ordinance 936-2019 (2020 Budget) – First Reading

The 2020 budget ordinance, 936-2019 was available for the first reading. Adoption is set for October 28, 2019

***Motion to pass Ordinance 936-2019 on the first reading: Chris Fought
Second: Julia Bell Vote: All Ayes***

Chief Shearer – Request for ICJI Grant

Since August we have committed 16 hours per week to the Noble County drug task force. Chief Shearer would like to continue the program and asked permission to apply for a Byrne JAG grant through the ICJI (Indiana Criminal Justice Institute) to add an additional officer to be committed full time to the drug task force. The grant would be effective starting in 2020 and cover 100% in 2020 and 2021 with a graduated coverage for three additional years (25%, 50%, 75%). In the sixth year, the city would then need to pay the expenses related to the position at 100%.

***Motion to authorize proceeding with the grant application: Chris Fought
Second: Julia Bell Vote: All Ayes***

Claim Registers – APV #58156-58345

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

Bank Reconciliation & Fund Report Acknowledgement

The bank reconciliation and fund reports were included in the council packet. Members acknowledged receipt and signed the bank reconciliation reports.

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver

- Spent last week at the schools for fire prevention. Had the smoke house at the primary school today.
- Public Safety Day and Touch the Truck is at Fashion Farm on October 19, 2019.

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

- Leaf pick up normally starts the second week of October. As soon as they fall, we will be out with the vac.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Working on meter change outs.
- Neptune is working on new software that we will be forced to change to. Looking into the details.

WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague

- New employee started last week. He has electrical certifications and we are utilizing his expertise.
- Getting ready for the cold weather.

Park Director Travis Brimhall

- Tree dedication for Coach Schlemmer was Sunday at Kenney Park and was well attended.
- Finishing up with the winterizing in the parks.
- Pulver is scheduled to start paving the week of October 24th.

Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

- The first council meeting of November is the 11th, Veteran's Day and a city holiday. Asked members to change the date of the meeting.

***Motion to cancel the November 11, 2019 meeting pending issues that may come up: Chris Fought
Second: Julia Bell Vote: All Ayes***


- The last meeting of December is the 23rd. Due to the closeness of the Christmas holiday, members were asked to change the date of the meeting.

***Motion to cancel the December 23, 2019 meeting pending issues that may come up: Chris Fought
Second: Julia Bell Vote: All Ayes***

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Chris Fought Second: Julia Bell


Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer


Patricia Fisel, Mayor