## Ligonier Common Council Meeting Monday, July 13, 2020 · 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 Ken Schuman, Chris Fought, Doretta Wiegand, Julia Bell, and Bill Mills Mayor Patty Fisel, City Attorney Steve Clouse, and Clerk Treasurer Barb Hawn

### Minutes from previous meeting of June 22, 2020

Motion to approve: Chris Fought

Second: Ken Schuman

Vote: All Ayes

### **New Business**

# Gary Gatman - Noble County Economic Development Corp.

Was present to give a presentation on the Noble Co. EDC and to thank Ligonier for supporting the EDC over the years. He looks forward to a good and positive relationship. He explained Grow Noble County which is the priority for the EDC. It combines the following:

- 1. Business retention, expansion and attraction
- 2. Support of small business and entrepreneurs
- 3. New collaborations with community partners
- 4. Critical infrastructure development

# Capital-Comprehensive Financial Plan Approval

The Comprehensive Financial Plan was prepared by Baker Tilly after meeting with the Department Head team. Approval of the changes in the capital items for 2020 and the plan for 2021 was requested.

Motion to approve: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

### Ordinance 943-2020 - GO Bonds of 2020

An ordinance approving the issuance of bonds for paving and equipment was available to council for approval.

Motion to pass Ordinance 943-2020 on the first reading: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to suspend the rules: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to pass Ordinance 943-2020 on the second reading: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to pass Ordinance 943-2020 on the third and final reading: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

# Ordinance 944-2020 - Appropriating GO Bonds of 2020 Proceeds

Ordinance 944-2020 appropriating the proceeds of the GO Bonds of 2020 was available for first reading.

Motion to pass Ordinance 944-2020 on the first reading: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Claim Registers - APV #60186-60357

Motion to approve: Chris Fought

Second: Julia Bell

Vote: All Ayes

# Comments by Members of Council and Administration

## Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver

Excited to get started on the new fire station.

### **Street Superintendent Mike Burdette**

Dept. has been busy cleaning alleys and getting ready to paint crosswalks for school.

## **WWTP Superintendent Kenny Sprague**

- Will take advantage of the viaduct closing to clean sewer lines.
- Sludge press is caught up and doing a great job.

### **Park Director Travis Brimhall**

- Splashpad opened on July 4<sup>th</sup> and has been busy.
- Have had quite a few rentals in the park for open houses.
- Looking forward to stage 5 to open the Rec Center.

### **City Engineer Rick Pharis**

The Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Fire Station is Wednesday at 11:30 at the site.

### **Council Member Doretta Wiegand**

Happy to see the viaduct will be getting repaired. Asked about a local detour. The semis will be directed down Perry Road. Local traffic will be routed through the industrial park near the Animal Clinic and Tire Star.

# Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Virtual budget workshop with the DLGF is scheduled for August 6.

## **Mayor Fisel's Comments**

Recommended an overall 2.5% salary increase for next year.

Motion to approve: Ken Schuman

Second: Julie Bell

Vote: All Ayes

- The Doctors Mural was updated by Robert Hudson.
- Worked with Granite Ridge on an infomercial for their company. Received compliments from them on how easy it is to work with the city departments.

### Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Ken Schuman

Second: Chris Fought

Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

Patricia Fisel, Mayor