Ligonier Common Council Meeting Monday, April 14, 2025 · Ligonier City Hall 301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Mayor Earle Franklin.

Roll Call

Present: Council President Chris Fought, Council Members Brian Hite, Doretta Wiegand, Matt Kreager, and David Cisney Also Present: Mayor Earle Franklin, City Attorney Jack Birch, and Clerk Treasurer Barb Hawn

Approval of Minutes – March 24, 2025

Motion to approve: David Cisney

Second: Matt Kreager

Vote: All Ayes

New Business

Advanced Metal Etching

Advanced Metal Etching provided their CF-1 compliance forms for three personal property tax abatements with the city. Following council review:

Motion to approve all three CF-1 compliance forms for Advanced Metal Etching: Matt Kreager

Second:David Cisney

Vote: All Ayes

Resolution 0414-2025 - Transfer of Funds

This resolution authorizes the transfer of \$254,258.58 in matching grant funds from MVH Restricted to the Local Road and Bridge Matching Fund. These funds will be used for the Community Crossings Paving Project.

Motion to approve Resolution 0414-2025: David Cisney

Second: Matt Kreager

Vote: All Ayes

2024 Annual TIF Report Presentation

In accordance with state requirements, the 2024 Annual TIF Report from the Ligonier Redevelopment Commission was formally presented by RDC Secretary Bryan Shearer. Council members had previously received an electronic copy for review.

May 26, 2025 Meeting

Since May 26 is Memorial Day, members were asked to consider rescheduling or canceling the meeting.

Motion to cancel the meeting pending any necessary agenda items: Chris Fought

Second: David Cisney

Vote: All Ayes

Claim Registers – APV #72965-73126 Motion to approve: David Cisney Second: Chris Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

15 service lines are completed. Ten remain to be finished before the street paving project begins.

Park Director John Parrish

- Thanked city departments for their help with cleanup, tree removal, and getting water turned on in the parks.
- Approximately 1,000 people have been attending Kenney Park on Saturdays for soccer league games.

Council President Chris Fought

- Inquired about potential development at the BRC property. No proposals have been made to the city yet.
- Asked about the streets bordering the property. Wall Street remains active; however, the portion of North Street in question was vacated years ago. The city retains right-of-way for utilities.

Council Member Doretta Wiegand

 Asked about the tornado siren. Fire Chief Weaver explained that the siren runs for three minutes before automatically shutting off.

Mayor Earle Franklin

Provided an overview of a housing development in Wabash, Indiana, developed by Club 720, who is also working with the city on a housing project along US 33.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: David Cisney

Second: Matt Kreager

Vote: All Ayes

Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

Earle Franklin, Mayor