

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting**  
**Monday, January 27, 2025 · Ligonier City Hall**  
**301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**Call to order by Mayor Earle Franklin**

**Roll Call**

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

**Minutes from the meeting of January 13, 2025**

*Motion to approve: David Cisney*

*Second: Matt Kreager*

*Vote: All Ayes*

**New Business**

**Claim Registers – APV # 72465-72535**

*Motion to approve: David Cisney*

*Second: Doretta Wiegand*

*Vote: All Ayes*

**Comments by Members of Council and Administration**

**Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver**

- Chief Weaver distributed the Fire Department 2024 Report stating to let him know if they have questions to contact him. Chris Fought commented that the report looks good and inquired about the fire ratings and how often they change.

**WWTP Superintendent Benjamin Glowinski**

- The remodel project at WWTP wraps up this week. We will have a punch list walk through on Wednesday. The touch up painting outside will be done in the spring.

**Park Director John Parrish**

- Hired a new part-time desk clerk who will be splitting hours with the current part-time desk clerk.
- There is a lot of maintenance work in the rec center that is being completed this winter.

**City Engineer Rick Pharis**

- Community Crossings project will be bid on February 11.
- Triad sold their business to VS Engineering from Indianapolis. He stated he is excited to extend his career with a larger company. All Triad employees were offered a position and all accepted. VS had eight offices in IN, OH, KY, and has decided to keep the Ligonier office. He will bring the current Triad contracts to the next BOW to be reassigned to VS. The larger company will help to turn the projects over quicker.

**Council President Chris Fought**

- Asked about the updates on the burnout house on West Second Street. Building Administrator Elroy Mast stated they will proceed when the weather is better. They will be putting up a new house with a basement and they did not want to fill the existing area, so he required them to put a fence up.
- Inquired about the Family Express project and the BRC building tear down. Elroy Mast stated the Family Express has been continuing their project. It appears the BRC teardown slowed down during the recent frigid weather.

**Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn**

- Gave an update on the capital planning meeting with department heads and our accounting firm. The requests were reasonable, and we should have information back around April.

**Mayor Earle Franklin**

- Gave some updates on information received at the Mayor's Roundtable regarding the tax bills in the State House and Senate that are affecting cities and towns. Will be attending the AIM Legislative Dinner next week and hope to be able to speak with our legislators.


**Adjournment**

*Motion to adjourn: David Cisney*

*Second: Chris Fought*

*Vote: All Ayes*

  
Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

  
Earle Franklin, Mayor