

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting
Monday, April 28, 2025 · Ligonier City Hall
301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Call to Order

Council President Chris Fought called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Present: Council President Chris Fought, Council Members Brian Hite, Doretta Wiegand, Matt Kreager, and David Cisney

Also Present: City Attorney Jack Birch, and Clerk Treasurer Barb Hawn

Absent: Mayor Earle Franklin

Minutes from the meeting of April 14, 2025

Motion to approve: David Cisney

Second: Matt Kreager

Vote: All Ayes

Unfinished Business

Ordinance 1018-2025 (Designating Economic Development Target Area-Shrock)

This ordinance designates an Economic Development Target Area for Shrock Construction's housing development. It passed its first reading on March 24, 2025.

Motion to pass Ordinance 1018-2025 on the second reading: Matt Kreager

Second: David Cisney

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to pass Ordinance 1018-2025 on the third and final reading: Matt Kreager

Second: David Cisney

Vote: All Ayes

Ordinance 1019-2025 (Designating Economic Development Target Area-Shrock)

This ordinance authorizes the issuance of Economic Revenue Bonds for infrastructure improvements related to the Shrock Construction housing project. It passed its first reading on March 24, 2025.

Motion to pass Ordinance 1019-2025 on the second reading: Matt Kreager

Second: David Cisney

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to pass Ordinance 1019-2025 on the third and final reading: Matt Kreager

Second: David Cisney

Vote: All Ayes

New Business

Financing and Covenant Agreement – Shrock Construction and the City

This agreement outlines the repayment terms for the revenue bonds issued by the City for infrastructure related to the Shrock housing project.

Motion to approve: David Cisney

Second: Matt Kreager

Vote: All Ayes

Trust Indenture – City and Huntington National Bank

This document sets forth the conditions of the bond issuance and protects the interests of bondholders.

Motion to approve: David Cisney

Second: Brian Hite

Vote: All Ayes

CF-1 Approval – West Noble Waste Recovery Real Property

The council reviewed the CF-1 form submitted for tax abatement compliance.

Motion to approve: Brian Hite

Second: David Cisney

Vote: All Ayes

Claim Registers – APV # 73127-73217

Motion to approve: David Cisney

Second: Doretta Wiegand

Vote: All Ayes

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer

- Requested to be on the next meeting agenda to recognize two police officers.
- Submitted a list of downtown buildings with broken windows to Building Administrator Elroy Mast. Letters will be sent to property owners requiring repairs under the unsafe building code.

Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle

- Reported that lead line replacements on streets scheduled for paving have been completed.
- Chain O'Lakes inmates will assist with the cleanup at the Martin Street Bridge tomorrow.

Park Director John Parrish

- Spring soccer is underway. Registration for summer baseball is ongoing.

Council Member Matt Kreager

- Inquired about jake brake ordinance enforcement on SR 5 near Union Street, especially at night. An ordinance is already in place; enforcement was requested.
- Provided an update on the city fountain. Cleaning and water softening preparations are underway; the fountain should be operational by the end of the week.

Council Member David Cisney

- Expressed concern over motorists ignoring stop signs at Union Street and Carol Drive. Requested crosswalk painting to improve pedestrian safety.
- Raised concerns about the Grant Street and Jackson Street intersection, which currently has yield signs in both directions.

Motion to Direct City Attorney to Draft Ordinance Installing Stop Signs on Jackson Street at Grant Street Intersection: David Cisney

Second: Matt Kreager

Vote: All Ayes

Council Member Brian Hite

- Commended the Park Department for a successful Easter Egg Hunt.

Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

- Noted that the audit entrance conference is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025.
- Equipment installation for livestreaming and recording council meetings is scheduled for mid-May.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: David Cisney

Second: Matt Kreager

Vote: All Ayes



Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer



Earle Franklin, Mayor