

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting  
Monday, June 27, 2022 · Ligonier City Hall  
301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, IN – 7:00 pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**Call to order by Council President Ken Schuman – Public Hearing for Waiver of Non-Compliance**

Advance Metal Etching filed their CF-1 with the city in a timely manner. They however did not file their personal property tax return on time with the county. To grant Advance Metal Etching a waiver of non-compliance, a public hearing is necessary.

Hearing no comment from the public, the hearing was closed.

**Call to order by Council President Ken Schuman – Public Hearing for Water Rates**

On March 16, 2022, House Enrolled Act 1002 was signed into law, removing the Utility Receipts Tax from utility bills for usage beginning July 1, 2022. This removal is a 1.46% reduction in the monthly water portion of the utility bill. Ordinance 973-2022 reduces the rates according and will be effective with the bills sent to customers at the end of July.

Hearing no comment from the public, the hearing was closed.

**Call to order by Council President Ken Schuman – Common Council Meeting**

**Roll Call**

Present: Council President Ken Schuman, Council Members Chris Fought, Doretta Wiegand, Julia Bell, and Matt Kreager  
City Attorney Jack Birch, and Clerk Treasurer Barb Hawn

Absent: Mayor Patty Fisel

**Minutes from previous meeting of June 13, 2022**

***Motion to approve: Chris Fought***

***Second: Matt Kreager***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Unfinished Business**

**Ordinance 973-2022 (Water Rates)**

Ordinance 973-2022 which reduces the water rates by approximately 1.46% as per House Enrolled Act 1002 of March 16, 2022 was passed on the first reading on June 13, 2022 and was available for the second and third readings.

***Motion to approve Ordinance 973-2022 on the second reading: Chris Fought***

***Second: Matt Kreager***

***Vote: All Ayes***

***Motion to approve Ordinance 973-2022 on the third and final reading: Chris Fought***

***Second: Julia Bell***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Welcome Sign Quote**

A quote for the Welcome Sign was received from LaGwana in Shipshewana. There were several options available. After discussion, it was determined that option 2 in the amount of \$5,106.60 which includes the removal of the old sign and installation of the new sign was the preferred option..

***Motion to approve: Chris Fought***

***Second: Julia Bell***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**New Business**

**Resolution 0627-2022 (Waiver of Non-Compliance)**

Resolution 0627-2022 grants a waiver of non-compliance to Advanced Metal Etching.

***Motion to approve: Chris Fought***

***Second: Julia Bell***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Star of the West Mill Update**

An update from Kate Knowlton of Star of the West was received and read regarding the noise from the Mill. They installed an additional silencer on June 16, 2022 which has made the noise level well within the acceptable decibel levels for environmental noise.

**Ligonier Video**

The revised Ligonier Video was completed and shown to the audience.

**Claim Registers – APV # 65640-65719**

***Motion to approve: Chris Fought***

***Second: Doretta Wiegand***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Comments by Members of Council and Administration**

**Street Superintendent Mike Burdette**

- Curbs and gutters are done on West Third. Asphalt will be coming soon.

**Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle**

- Two water main leaks in the last week have been repaired.
- Additional water hook ups were completed at Park Meadow.
- Having an issue getting parts for meters.

**Council Member Chris Fought**

- Several people have asked about an open house for the fire station. We will have one but are still waiting on a few things to be completed prior to the open house per Chief Weaver.

**City Attorney Jack Birch**

- Attended the IMLAW conference. We are ahead of the curve compared other communities.

**Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn**


- We were notified that we did not get the EDA Grant for the extension of Pennington Way.

**Adjournment**

*Motion to adjourn: Chris Fought*

*Second: Matt Kreager*

  
Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

  
Patricia Fisel, Mayor