

**Ligonier Common Council Meeting**  
**Monday, November 27, 2023 · 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 – Public Hearing for JSCC Properties LLC Waiver of Non-Compliance**

Council Member Chris Fought asked the company owner, Jeremy Young, the reason behind the late filing of the compliance forms. He stated that when he bought the building he had a CFO who did all of the paperwork for the tax abatement. He is no longer with the company, and it took time to figure out what he needed to do. He stated he dropped the ball and did not get everything together in time as he was shorthanded.

The compliance forms would allow the abatement for 2023 taxes pay 2024.

There were no other comments from the public and the hearing was closed by Mayor Franklin.

**Call to order by Mayor Earle Franklin – Common Council Meeting**

**Roll Call**

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

**Minutes from previous meeting of November 13, 2023**

*Motion to approve: Ken Schuman      Second: Matt Kreager      Vote: All Ayes*

**New Business**

**Resolution 1127-2023 (JSCC Waiver of Non-Compliance)**

JSCC Properties LLC did not file their CF-1, the compliance form for tax abatement by the May deadline. They asked council to pass a waiver of non-compliance for the 2023 pay 2024 real property taxes. Resolution 1127-2023 was offered to approve the waiver.

*Motion to pass Resolution 1127-2023: Chris Fought      Second: Ken Schuman      Vote: All Ayes*

*Motion to approve the JSCC Properties CF-1 for 2023 pay 2024: Chris Fought  
Second: Julia Bell      Vote: All Ayes*

**Claim Registers – APV # 69478-69543**

*Motion to approve: Ken Schuman      Second: Chris Fought      Vote: All Ayes*

**Comments by Members of Council and Administration**

**Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver**

- Pancake Breakfast with Santa will be this Saturday at the fire station from 7:00 until 11:00.

**Council Member Matt Kreager**

- The new fountain is in Norfolk, Virginia and should arrive in a couple of weeks. It will be stored for the remainder of the winter until the weather warms up and it is able to be installed.

**Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn**

- The second council meeting is December 25, 2023. Members were asked if they wanted to reschedule or cancel.

*Motion to cancel the December 25, 2023 meeting: Chris Fought*

*Second: Ken Schuman      Vote: All Ayes*

**Mayor Earle Franklin**

- Attended the Noble County Foundation meeting regarding a low interest loan program through the banks to help the businesses with their projects. Discussed sponsoring some projects. Also discussed the estimates for the brick repair to help the building owner with repairs to be able to proceed with the alley project.
- Will be in Noblesville next week for Mayor's training and then for Newly Elected Officials Regional training in Fort Wayne with David Disney, Brian Hite, and Matt Kreager on December 12.

**Adjournment**

*Motion to adjourn:      Second:*

Barbara J. Hawn  
Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

Earle Franklin  
Earle Franklin, Mayor