

**Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting**  
**Wednesday, July 22, 2015 - 1:30 p.m.**  
**Ligonier City Hall · 301 S. Cavin St. · Ligonier, IN 46767**

**Call to order by:** Mayor Fisel

**Roll Call**

Present: Board Members Tom Janes, Earle Franklin, and Mayor Patty Fisel

City Engineer Rick Pharis and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Absent: City Attorney Steve Hagen

**Minutes from previous meeting of July 8, 2015**

***Motion to approve: Tom Janes***

***Second: Earle Franklin***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**New Business**

**Niblock – Pay Application #1 – 2015 Paving Program**

Pay application #1 in the amount of \$111,700 from Niblock for the 2015 Paving Program was available for approval. The job is complete and the street superintendent and city engineer are happy with the results.

***Motion to approve pay application #1 to Niblock in the amount of \$111,700: Patty Fisel***

***Second: Earle Franklin***

***Vote: All Ayes***

There will be a change order in the amount of \$7870.80 for the program which has not yet been received.

**Smoke Testing of Sewer Lines**

City Engineer Rick Pharis informed the board that Triad suggests a smoke test of the sewer lines. The purpose is to find areas that storm water may be releasing into the sewer lines rather than the storm lines. A news release and map was provided. A door hanger with English and Spanish will be placed on doors in areas of testing. The board was agreeable.

**Trash Container Overload**

Photos taken by the city's contracted sanitation service were provided showing overload of trash containers by numerous city residents. Police Chief Bryan Shearer stated that the city's code enforcement officer will begin notifying residents that this is unacceptable. The trash container must be able to close. More information will be prepared and sent to residents at a future date.

**Pavement Solutions – Street Micro Surfacing**

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette submitted a quote from Pavement Solutions to micro surface Johnson Street from Morton to SR5 and Northwood Street from Johnson to Jay – a total of 7,070 square yards at a cost of \$20,503. This will cover and waterproof the streets to extend the life by 3-5 years.

***Motion to approve the micro surfacing of Johnson and Northwood Streets by Pavement Solutions at a cost of \$20,503: Patty Fisel***

***Second: Tom Janes***

***Vote: All Ayes***

**Department Heads and Members of Administration**

**Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver**

- The fire department building was struck by lightning in the Saturday storm. Two radios were damaged. Working with Gary Cox and the insurance company for repair/replacement.

**Public Safety Director/Police Chief Bryan Shearer**

- City Hall was also hit by lightning in the Saturday storm. Gary Cox is working with the insurance company to get repairs/replacements for our damaged items.

### **Water Superintendent Jeff Boyle**

- At the project construction site, rain washed a bucket from the crew's equipment into the water main and broke it. It was repaired but resulted in rusty water calls.

### **WWTP Superintendent Don Skinner**

- The monitoring system at the lift stations is on a cell phone system. We are checking into radios at \$250 per site.
- The construction crews are looking for additional place to put the fill dirt.

### **City Engineer Rick Pharis**

- AEP is in a study phase for a substation at the site of the former bowling alley which is being demolished.
- The state has been contacted regarding the drainage issue from US 6 onto Martin Street.
- RDC approved brick replacement in front of city hall by Countryscapes and replacement/repair of the steps and ramp at city hall.
- Zach Smith, Noble County Engineer has been contracted regarding the Pigeon Street bridge plans but plans are not yet available.
- The county is doing a speed study on their portion of Lincolnway west of the city.

### **Mayor Fisel's Comments**

- Erica Scott provided a new purchase agreement for the garment building property which would allow the city to retain river frontage for the river walk trail. She inquired about the property appraisals which are not yet in.
- Another façade application from Tom Wigent will be sent to the RDC for approval.
- We did not receive the OCRA grant for the Water Department which was very disappointing. We will be meeting with OCRA on a DR2 Grant for the retaining wall and will ask for specifics as to why the city was not chosen.

### **Adjournment**

*Motion to adjourn: Earle Franklin*

*Second: Tom Janes*