

COMMON COUNCIL

April 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by everyone in attendance.

Prayer was given by Council-lady Bertram

Meeting was called to order by Mayor York.

ROLL CALL:

Sandy Bertram	Present
Jeff Hancock	Present
Jimmy Kidd	Present
Mary Malone	Present
Mark Koger	Present
Vaughn Reid III	Present
Rex Peckinpaugh	Present

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Councilman Reid seconded. Motion carried 7-0

PROCLAMATIONS:

- Mayor York read and presented a proclamation declaring the month of April “The Month of the Military Child”.

RESOLUTIONS:

- No Resolutions were presented.

ORDINANCES:

- No Ordinances were presented.

OTHER BUSINESS

- No reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Council-lady Bertram: Noted 1) a camper parked improperly in the 1300 block of L Avenue. 2) a gentleman is using the Cemetery as a dog run.

Councilman Hancock: Noted 1) a thank you to the Mayor for fixing the fencing issue at 21st and Broad Streets. 2) Update on inspection process of Golf Carts, Chief Catron updated Council. 3) Requested administration contact State regarding sweeping Broad Street.

Councilman Kidd: No report.

Council-lady Malone: No report.

President Koger: Noted 1) a thank you to the Mayor for fixing the fencing issue at 21st and Broad Streets. 2) Railroad Crossings at 17th and Indiana

and 15th and Indiana were in desperate need of repair. 3) Requested a Jennings Project Update, Mayor York informed Council of the progress. 4) Requested an update on the Farm Ground Bids, Mayor York updated Council on the bid process.

Councilman Reid: Noted Railroad cleanup and repair was needed and suggested contacting the Railroad and reporting issues.

Councilman Peckinpaugh: Noted 1) Bike Ped public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday at 6:00p.m. at the Library for plan presentation. 2) **made a motion to allocate \$1500.00 in materials only funds to the New Castle Pride Project. Councilman Reid seconded. Motion carried 7-0**

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Mayor York informed Council;
 - Hope Initiative Cleanup Day was scheduled for April 26, 2014 beginning at 8a.m.
 - Panhandlers have been reported as an issue.
 - Special Committee review city code on Street Vendors.

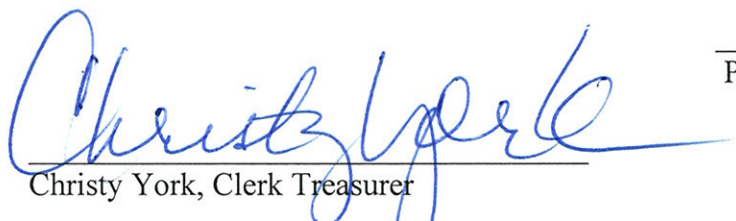
CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD:

- Corey Murphy, Director of EDC updated Council on
 - Current interests/prospects of business' looking at Henry County and New Castle properties.
 - Presented a handout to council of magazine ad paid with Food and Beverage funds promoting the shell building.
 - Requested appointments from City Council to the Tax Advisory Committee developed to make suggestions to the Tax Board regarding the options presented by General Assembly regarding Personal Property Tax. Councilman Reid requested to be allowed until next meeting to recommend appointments.
- Eddie Hagar, representing Westminster handed out an updated list of properties owned and scheduled for demolition by Westminster.
- Norma Dishman announced the Cruise-in scheduled for April 26, 2014 and requested that the windows downtown be reviewed for cleanup of old decorations.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

- No Reports

Councilman Peckinpaugh moved for adjournment. Council-lady Bertram seconded. Meeting adjourned.


Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 7th day of April 2014.


Presiding Officer of the Common Council


Greg York, Mayor