

COMMON COUNCIL

June 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by everyone in attendance.

Prayer was given by Councilman Peckinpaugh

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

- Mayor York read and presented a proclamation to Ben Burris proclaiming the month of June Amateur Radio Month.

RESOLUTIONS:

- No resolutions were presented.

ORDINANCES:

- **Ordinance #3699 – Amending Section 91.01, 91.02 and 91.03 of City Code**
President Koger moved to approve Ordinance #3699 on second reading. Council-lady Bertram seconded. Motion carried 7-0
- **Ordinance #3698 – Sewer Rate Ordinance**
President Koger informed all in attendance Ordinance #3698 was previously tabled for review at the May 19 2014 Council meeting and noted the original ordinance was on the agenda for first reading. President Koger read a summary of the ordinance. After review and discussion President Koger moved to approve Ordinance #3698 on first reading and schedule the Public Hearing and second reading for July 7, 2014. Councilman Hancock seconded. Motion carried 7-0
- **Ordinance #3697 – Sewer Bond Ordinance**
President Koger informed all in attendance Ordinance #3697 was previously tabled for review at the May 19 2014 Council meeting and noted the original ordinance was on the agenda for first reading. President Koger read a summary of the ordinance. After review and discussion President Koger moved to approve Ordinance #3697 on first reading and schedule the Public Hearing and second reading for July 7, 2014. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

OTHER BUSINESS

- The 2014/2015 E911 Interlocal Agreement with Henry County was presented for review and approval from the Board of Works. After discussion President Koger moved to approve the 2 year agreement. Council-lady Bertram seconded. Motion carried 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Council-lady Bertram:** Noted;
- 2033 Cottage Avenue, has been reported as making homemade Bio-Fuel, noting regulations are in city code, they are not specific to Bio-Fuel but the regulations are there. Mayor York referred to the Building Inspector.
- Councilman Hancock:** Noted;
- Pickleball Court was 99% complete and a ribbon cutting was being scheduled.
 - Larston Drive and South Main Street stormwater drain needed attention. Mayor York referred to the Wastewater Department.
- Councilman Kidd:** Noted;
- Requested a Pool Pass update. Clerk Treasurer York informed that without the actual numbers, she estimated they were close to the same as last year, noting with the extended school schedule it had negatively impacted the pools revenue.
- Council-lady Malone:** Noted;
- No reports presented.
- President Koger:** Noted;
- No reports presented.
- Councilman Reid:** Noted;
- No reports presented.
- Councilman Peckinpaugh:** Noted;
- Several business people had attended the Delaware County Housing Court meeting last week and it was very informative and needed local review to consider adopting some of their regulations.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor York congratulated Dale Cole on his 80th birthday.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- Teresa King presented to the Council;
 - her concern regarding the rate increase and the impact it would have on fixed income households;
 - update on her request for review of a stop sign at North 8th and Spring Streets.
 - Chief Catron informed her the police department did a multiple day review and only found one incident where a car was clocked at 31 mph and the speed limit was posted 30 mph, that they had found no issue with the intersection.
 - Reported the house next door to her needed mowed. Mayor York informed her to report it to the Building Inspectors Office.

- Eddie Hager passed out and read a statement of his concern for the upkeep, maintenance and mowing of the Cemetery.
- Robert Dye, Parks Department Employee introduced himself to all in attendance and informed Mr. Hager that his statements, although directed at the Mayor were critiquing the employees and their performance in dealing with the mowing issues of the cemetery and park, noting that this was not a new issue, that every administration dealt with this issue and had the agreement of former Mayor's Bud Ayers, Tom Nipp and Jim Small who were in attendance. He informed Mr. Hager and Council that he personally spends a full 8 hours, weather permitting, on a mower from mid-April to as late as November trying and keep up with the mowing issue. That he would gladly donate a Saturday to assist the Cemetery employees and hoped others were as generous.
- Cathy Hamilton informed Council and all in attendance that Saturday June 21st from 1pm to 6pm was the Annual Garden Tour.
- Norma Dishman stated her concern that Councilman Reid's suggestion to be more aggressive with the rate increase was not considered by Council. After discussion Mrs. Dishman stated that she agreed with Mrs. King that a rate increase would be hard for the fixed income citizens of New Castle, that most cannot afford insurance, how were they expected to afford an increase.

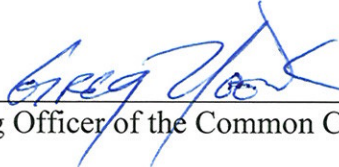
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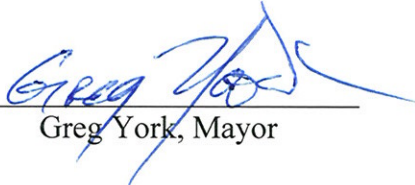
- No reports presented.

President Koger moved for Adjournment. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Meeting adjourned.


 Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 16th day of June 2014.


 Presiding Officer of the Common Council


 Greg York, Mayor