

AMENDED

COMMON COUNCIL

September 15, 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:

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No proclamations presented.

RESOLUTIONS:

- No Resolutions presented.

ORDINANCES:

Public Hearing for Ordinance #370 – 2015 Budget and Tax Rates was opened at 7:05 p.m.

- Cathy Hamilton, Alabama Street, New Castle requested review of adding Code Enforcement. Suggestion received support from Councilman Kidd and Reid.
- Dale Cole requested review in increases in Elected Officials pay in the future.
- Councilman Kidd suggested looking at contracting HR services.

Public Hearing closed at 7:14 p.m.

- **Ordinance #3703-2015 Budget and Tax Rates**
President Koger presented Ordinance #3703 on first reading and moved to approve. Councilman Hancock seconded. Motion carried 5-2

Sandy B..	Jeff H.	Jimmy K.	Mary M.	Mark K.	Vaughn R.	Rex P.
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

- **Ordinance #3704-Elected Official Salary Ordinance**
President Koger presented Ordinance #3704 on first reading and moved to approve. Councilman Reid seconded. Motion carried 6-1

Sandy B..	Jeff H.	Jimmy K.	Mary M.	Mark K.	Vaughn R.	Rex P.
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

- **Ordinance #3705 – Department of Financial Salary Ordinance**
President Koger read Ordinance #3705 on first reading and moved to approve. Council-lady Bertram seconded. Motion carried 7-0

- **Ordinance #3706 – Administrative and Management Salary Ordinance**

President Koger read Ordinance #3706 on first reading and moved to approve.
Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 6-0 with 1 abstain.

Sandy B..	Jeff H.	Jimmy K.	Mary M.	Mark K.	Vaughn R.	Rex P.
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes

- **Ordinance #3707 – Hourly and Various Employee Salary Ordinance**

President Koger read Ordinance #3707 on first reading and moved to approve.
Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 4-0 with 3 abstaining due to AFSCME Contract not signed.

Sandy B..	Jeff H.	Jimmy K.	Mary M.	Mark K.	Vaughn R.	Rex P.
Abstain	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes

- **Ordinance #3708 – Fire Salary Ordinance**

President Koger read Ordinance #3708 on first reading and moved to approve.
Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 6-0 with 1 abstain.

Sandy B..	Jeff H.	Jimmy K.	Mary M.	Mark K.	Vaughn R.	Rex P.
Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

- **Ordinance #3709 – EMS Salary Ordinance**

President Koger read Ordinance #3709 on first reading and moved to approve. Council-lady Malone seconded. Motion carried 7-0

- **Ordinance #3710 – Police Salary Ordinance**

President Koger read Ordinance #3710 on first reading. Councilman Hancock moved to approve. Councilman Reid seconded. Motion carried 6-0 with 1 abstain.

Sandy B..	Jeff H.	Jimmy K.	Mary M.	Mark K.	Vaughn R.	Rex P.
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes

OTHER BUSINESS

- Councilman Reid discussed the downtown buildings relating to the Historical Commission and the procedures required to demolish a building in the Historical District of the City specifically regarding 1431 Broad Street. Councilman Reid read a letter sent to him from Indiana Landmark. After open discussion of Council and Administration, Councilman Reid requested that Attorney Copenhaver research and create a draft ordinance for review by Council regarding inspection of Commercial Business Buildings within the City of New Castle at minimal cost to the property owner. President Koger seconded. Motion carried 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Council-lady Bertram:

Noted;

- Sale of old Port Hole building and enforcement of property clean up.

Councilman Hancock:

Noted;

- Attention to grass behind old Swifty Station.
- Relayed concerns of Don Bowsman at Midway and Criswell Drives regarding flooding and paving.

Councilman Kidd:

Noted;

- Questioned if liens the city places on properties is collected. Clerk Treasurer York informed they are collected and paid in property tax payments.
- Concerned with signs and stops presented to him from Mike Broyles regarding the Wilbur Wright Trail
- Stressed how informative Delaware County’s Ordinance Court is and suggested anyone interested attend.

- Council-lady Malone:** Noted;
- Requested information from Administration regarding paving schedule.
- President Koger:** Noted;
- Noted need for mowing at South 17th and B Avenue (south/west corner)
- Councilman Reid:** Noted;
- Discussed possibility of joint annual funding with RDC of Preservation.
 - Noted trash totes at business'.
 - Information on the 14th and Broad Street closing in regards to it's permanency.
 - Informed administration of a sink and roof leak at the Senior Center in the City Center.
 - Noted the VanderWalle meeting scheduled for October 8th from 6-8 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
 - Informed Council of upcoming surprise party for Vaughn Reid Jr.
- Councilman Peckinpaugh:** Noted;
- Expressed appreciation to City for their efforts in clean up.
 - Praised City Judge Lansinger for his aggressive approach on the old Firestone Building.
 - Commended the look of Trojan Woods.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Mayor York informed Council the survey at the Cemetery had be completed and the addition of 1000-1500 spaces had been added to create an addition to Legion Hill.

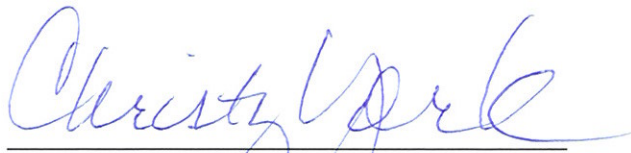
CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- Larry Conn, 2023 Broad Street presented multiple topics with Council.
- Craig Hale, 125 N. 18th Street noted
 - Port Hole Building was for sale on Craigs List.
 - Suggested Council check with Perdue University for Engineering Assistance, they have programs that might be of assistance.
 - Presented a parking issue on North 18th to Council. Mr. Hale was referred to Traffic Committee.
- Mary Logan, North 18th Street informed Council she was the parking problem and once sewer repair on her property was complete she would no longer be an issue.
- Cathy Hamilton, representing HOPE Initiative updated Council on the city Tri-Fold.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:


- No reports presented.

Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to adjourn. Council-lady Bertram seconded. Meeting adjourned.

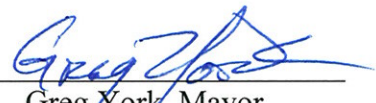


Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 15th day of September 2014.



Presiding Officer of the Common Council



Greg York, Mayor