

COMMON COUNCIL

May 18, 2015 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 suspend the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and moved to approve. Council-lady Bertram seconded. Motion carried 7-0

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No Proclamations were scheduled.

RESOLUTIONS:

- **Resolution #05182015-1 Sidewalk Repair and Replacement Program**
President Koger read Resolution #05182015-1 and moved to approve amendment to remove "or reside at that location". Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

President Koger moved to approve Resolution #05182015-1 with amendment.

Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

ORDINANCES:

- **Ordinance #3719- An Ordinance Making It Illegal to Park in a Designated Bicycle Lane**

President Koger moved to approve Ordinance #3719 third and final reading. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

- **Ordinance #3720 – Amending City Code Title VII, CH 75, SCH. I Establishing Additional No Parking Zones**

President Koger moved to approve Ordinance #3720 on third and final reading.

Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

- **Ordinance #3721 – An Ordinance Repealing a Certain No-Parking Zone**
President Koger moved to approve Ordinance #3721 on third and final reading.
Councilman Reid seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

- **Ordinance #3722 – Amending City Code Title VII, CH. 76 Mopeds and Pocket Bikes**

President Koger read Ordinance #3722 on first reading, after discussion, moved to approve first reading. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

- **Ordinance #3723 – Amending City Code Title V, CH. 53 Stormwater Regulation**

President Koger read Ordinance #3723 on first reading. Councilman Hancock moved to approve first reading. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

- **Ordinance #3724 – Amending City Code CH. 74, SCH. I Stop Streets**

President Koger read Ordinance #3724 on first reading and moved to approve.
Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 6-1

Sandy Bertram	Jeff Hancock	Jimmy Kidd	Mary Malone	Mark Koger	Vaughn Reid	Rex Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

OTHER BUSINESS:

Cathy Hamilton representing HOPE Initiative presented a report of their 5 week clean up.
Council and Mayor York thanked HOPE for their continued service to the City of New Castle.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Council-lady Bertram:** Noted;
- Requested an update on weed mowing. Mayor York informed that bids for a 3rd party to assist the city in maintaining was being prepared as well as a request from Board of Works and Safety that Council consider lowering the grass height to 8” from the current 12”.
- Councilman Hancock:** Noted;
- Thanked EMS for their excellent service.
 - Requested Traffic Committee meet after Council meeting to discuss a traffic issue on Elm Street.
- Councilman Kidd:** Noted;
- Thanked HOPE Initiative and all the volunteers who helped.
- Council-lady Malone:** Noted;
- No report.
- President Koger:** Noted;
- Reminded all in attendance of the Historical Society Marker Ceremony scheduled for May 23rd at 2:00 on the Courthouse lawn.
- Councilman Reid:** Noted;
- Stated he had a complaint in the area of P Avenue east of 19th Street of red stain in the road coming from a trash truck and asked if the sweeper could be coordinated. Mayor York stated this was not possible due to 3 trash routes and only 2 sweepers, that a call could be made when these incidents happen.

- Reported a complaint from Bundy Court regarding bulk trash pickup being an issue. As well as issue with the Bike/Ped markings on Bundy Avenue, asking if this eliminated parking on Bundy. Mayor York informed that if there was no yellow line forbidding parking, parking was allowed, also noting that walkers would give the right of way to bikers in the designated areas.
- Requested information on alternatives to mowing violations. Attorney Copenhaver stated that State Law was being followed, which required mailing the notice to homeowners.
- Requested information on alley vacating and did it require Council action. Attorney Copenhaver stated that it did require Council action.

Councilman Peckinpaugh: Noted;

- Reminded all in attendance of the Faith Fest as well as the Memorial Day Parade scheduled for this weekend.
- Stated he observed kids using the bike lanes and was happy they were.
- Requested Council members check their wards and make note of any missing street signs.
- Updated Council on the Heart Sculpture location recommendation requested by Jeff Ray.
- Updated Council on the ARA and MKM Comprehensive Plan with the assistance of Cathy Hamilton.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Mayor York stated this week was EMS Appreciation week and asked that if anyone seen them out to give them a pat on the back or a thumbs up for their excellent service.
- Mayor York informed Council that Water Superintendent Melvin Watson would be retiring as of May 29, 2015.
- Mayor York informed all in attendance that he had received several calls from citizens and wanted to state for the record that the Bike/Ped striping was paid for with grant funds. No city funds were used, not even for matching purposes.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- Russell Dishman representing New Castle Pride informed Council that 30 trees were being delivered Wednesday for the Urban Orchard.
- Patty Broyles representing the Park Board informed Council of scheduled Baker Park Clean up on Wednesday, meeting at Shelter 1 at 6:00 p.m.
- Robert Dye, City Park Employee thanked Director Barker for his continued direction and establishing team work among employees.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:


- No reports

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

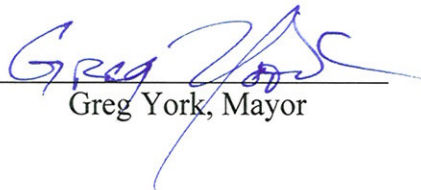


Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 18th day of May 2015.



Presiding Officer of the Common Council



Greg York, Mayor