

COMMON COUNCIL

March 21, 2016 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:

Mary Abbott	Present
Jeff Hancock	Present
Jerry Walden	Present
Aaron Dicken	Present
Mark Koger	Present
Lynn Perdue	Present
Rex Peckinpaugh	Absent

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Councilman Hancock moved to suspend the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and approve. Council-lady Abbott seconded. Motion carried 6-0

Mary Abbott	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No Proclamations were read.

RESOLUTIONS:

- **#03212016-1 – Authorizing Transfer of Funds**
President Koger read Resolution #03212016-1 and moved to approve. Councilman Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

ORDINANCES:

- No Ordinances were scheduled.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- President Koger requested input from Building Inspector Melton and Street Commissioner Baker regarding the trash issue.
 - Both staff suggested looking at Greenfield’s system, that after reviewing their system, they agreed it could work for New Castle.
- Mayor York stated that curb appeal is priority.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Council-lady Abbott:** Noted;
- Informed Council that there was a Skatepark meeting scheduled at 3:30 Friday in Baker Park.
- Councilman Hancock:** Noted;
- Shared his citizens contact, thanking the Council for finally tackling the trash issue.
- Councilman Walden:** Noted;
- Walked North 14th surveying residents regarding parking.
- Councilman Dicken:** Noted;
- Expressed his dislike with the Courier Times coverage of the Skate Park and stated supporting this was key to giving the kids in New Castle another activity.
- President Koger:** Noted;
- Thanked Kevin Green of the Courier for his coverage on the trash issue.
- Councilman Perdue:** Noted;
- Suggested assuming the best of the citizens of New Castle and educate them on the current trash ordinances.
- Councilman Peckinpugh:** Noted;
- No report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Mayor York also thanked Kevin Green for his positive spin on what is going on in the city.
- Clerk Treasurer York informed Council the Annual City Easter Egg Hunt was scheduled for Saturday March 26th with hunt beginning at 1:00pm.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- Cathy Hamilton, New Castle updated Council on the following meetings and events:
 - April 14 – Take the Pulse meeting at the Library.
 - April 22 – Mowing gang volunteers will be mowing abandoned lots.
 - April 23 – HOPE Initiative Clean Up Day.
 - April 28 – State Department of Health discussing Active Living at HOPE's monthly meeting.
 - May 7 – Cruise In - 50's Day
 - May 12 – HOPE Narco-non meeting.
- Brad Crowe, New Castle, informed Council he had received contact from the Council President requesting information regarding the Savor Indiana project completion. Mr. Crowe informed Council he was no longer working for Savor Indiana and gave the contact information of the organizers.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

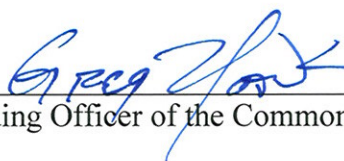
- No reports.

President Koger moved to adjourn. Council-lady Abbott seconded. Meeting adjourned.

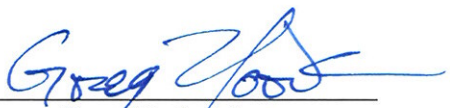


Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 21st day of March 2016.



Presiding Officer of the Common Council



Greg York, Mayor