

## COMMON COUNCIL

March 19, 2018 at 6:30 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 Brewington	Present
Jeff Hancock	Present
Jerry Walden	Present
Aaron Dicken	Present
Mark Koger	Absent
Lynn Perdue	Present
Rex Peckinpaugh	Present

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

- Vice President Hancock moved to suspend the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and approve. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

- No Hearings

### **PROCLAMATIONS:**

- No Proclamations

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

- No Resolutions

### **ORDINANCES:**

- **#3785 – Amendment to Chapter 95 of City Code (Large Trash)**

Vice President Hancock presented Ordinance #3785 for third and final. Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 4-2

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No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	No	Yes

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Chief Schoffield informed Council the New Castle Police Department would be working in the future to become an accredited Department and stated the first step in the process was to develop an Annual Report for the Police Department. Chief Schoffield presented and passed out his Annual Report for 2017. Council commended the Chief on his foresight and work.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Council-lady Abbott:** Noted;
- Congratulated the New Castle School system on their placement in events over the last few weeks.
  - Thanked the Park Board for their work on installing new equipment in the parks.
  - Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 31<sup>st</sup> at 1:00, commended the City Employees involved in preparation of the event.
- Councilman Hancock:** Noted;
- No report.
- Councilman Walden:** Noted;
- Thanked Park Board, noting Osborne Park looked nice.
  - Asked if a push could be given to the State to finish Broad Street curbs before the first Cruise In. Mayor York stated they had been contacted.
  - Reported potholes, commending the Street Department for their diligence.
- Councilman Dicken:** Noted;
- Thanked everyone who attended the Historic District workshop, noting the Local and National Registry is different as far as protected area. Attorney Copenhaver informed that the Historic District is not controlled by Council.
  - Gave his opinion and ideas regarding Trojan Woods. Mayor York noted an arborist has been hired to assess the woods, noting the vegetation was so thick it is choking itself out. Patty Broyles, Park Board President, informed the Park Board was assessing, but noted it is a public area and that would be the basis of the decision of how to proceed.
- President Koger:** Noted;
- No report.
- Councilman Perdue:** Noted;
- Thanked Council-lady Brewington for her report and agreed.
- Councilman Peckinpough:** Noted;
- Informed Red Hot Blues would be performing at the Chamber Annual Dinner.
  - Would like to see no overnight parking in city lots.
  - New park equipment looks great, but encouraged Council to consider assisting with current equipment repair and maintenance to bring parks up to a higher standard.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

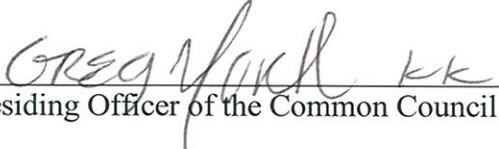
- Attorney Copenhaver informed Council Ordinance #3785 would require publication before enforcement and instructed the Clerk Treasurer to send to the local newspaper.
- Attorney Copenhaver informed Council the Police Chief Schofield was working to tighten up the Towing Ordinance regarding insurance requirements and rules and regulations and BOW was working with the city insurance carrier to bring the city and towing companies into liability compliance.
- Mayor York informed all in attendance that Courier Times reporter Kevin Green would be leaving at the end of the month. Council thanked him for his service to the city and fair reporting, he will be missed.

- Clerk Treasurer York thank Council-lady Brewington for mention of the City Easter Egg Hunt, noting March 31<sup>st</sup> with festivities beginning at noon and the hunt at 1:00.
- Clerk Deputy Grider informed Council of the Mother/Son Dance scheduled at the Armory this Saturday with doors opening at 5:00 pm.
- Superintendent Phipps informed everyone in attendance that the Water Department are working on cleaning up street cuts made for main breaks.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

- Kris Satter representing his local veterans group requested information in purchasing some “junked” vehicles owned by the city. Attorney Copenhaver asked if his group had a 501c3, Mr. Satter stated they were. Attorney Copenhaver requested that Mr. Satter submit a copy of the 501c3 with a letter to the Mayor informing of their request or what they are interested in. Mr. Satter thanked everyone for their consideration.
- Alan LeDuc expressed his opinions on the following;
  - Timely response to citizens concerns.
  - Historic District
  - Benches and lighting at Lowe Park


Councilman Peckinpugh moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

  
Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:

  
Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 19th day of March, 2018.

  
Greg York, Mayor

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