

COMMON COUNCIL

May 7, 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:**

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| Mary Brewington | Present |
| Jeff Hancock    | Present |
| Jerry Walden    | Present |
| Aaron Dicken    | Present |
| Mark Koger      | Present |
| 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 7-0

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| Yes             | Yes          | Yes          | Yes          | Yes        | Yes         | Yes             |

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- OCRA Grant for Waste Water Treatment Plan opened at 6:53pm. Mike Kleinpeter was available to answer questions of Council. No citizens appeared during public hearing. Public hearing closed at 6:50pm.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

- No Proclamations

**RESOLUTIONS:**

- **#05072018-1 Approving the Issuance of Bonds and Amending Declaration and Plan of the Redevelopment Commission and a Resolution of the New Castle Plan Commission**  
President Koger read Resolution #05072018-1 and moved to approve. Jason Semler representing Umbaugh Consulting was available to answer questions of Council. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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**ORDINANCES:**

- No Ordinances

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Attorney Copenhaver presented an Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Shirley and the City of New Castle for use of City Court. Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to approve the agreement. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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- Chief Schofield presented the following awards;
  - Accommodations; Adrian Darling and Aaron Strong
  - Merit of Conduct; Brandon Edstene, Chase Koger, Nick Rhoades, Blake Thrasher
  - Medal of Valor; Brandy Pierce and Justin Wardlow

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Council-lady Abbott:** Noted;
- Reported house at 1217 South 25<sup>th</sup> was about to fall.
  - D Avenue a mess all the way to foundry.
  - Railroad tracks on South 18<sup>th</sup> a hazard. Mayor York informed the Railroad is aware and plan to fix.
  - Thanked everyone who worked Saturday during the clean up.
- Councilman Hancock:** Noted;
- Thanked all 3 Emergency Services Departments for the diligence.
  - Thanked Director Barker and Mayor York for paving work that has begun.
- Councilman Walden:** Noted;
- Clean up with Hope Initiative was again a success.
  - LOIT monies are well spent for a better City Emergency Service.
  - 31<sup>st</sup> and Broad still needs repair. Mayor York informed it was in process with the State.
- Councilman Dicken:** Noted;
- Requested Traffic Committee consider permanent stop bars at South Main and Race as well as C Avenue and South 23<sup>rd</sup> along with painted cross walks next year.
  - Recommendation for live feed of Council Meetings.
  - Thanked Jeremiah Morrell and Dakota Davis.
- President Koger:** Noted;
- Thanked Chief Schofield for presentation of awards.
  - Thanked New Castle and Henry County for their service.
- Councilman Perdue:** Noted;
- Requested police presence at the Skate Park during peak times due to rumblings of scuffles and fights.
- Councilman Peckinpaugh:** Noted;
- Congratulated Mark Koger on new grandbaby.
  - Concerns regarding Trash Ordinance.
  - Informed Traffic Committee of requests for speed limit reviews
    - Baker Park
    - Park Avenue
  - Several places need No Trucks signage to be put back up. Mayor York noted Bundy, Riley, Indiana will all be done as well.
  - Informed Sandy Scott at Park Board Meeting noted new swings were needed at Osborne at an estimated cost of \$10,000.00. Requested Council consider Riverboat Funds if requested.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

- Superintendent Phipps informed the Mayor and Council that on the MSN Home Page the Basketball Hall of Fame is noted as a tourist trap.
- Mayor York reminded Council of the City/County meeting scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Courthouse to review and vote on the Interlocal Agreement for White Estates. Attorney Copenhaver restated that the County is the primary funder with the rate payor's in the White Estates area. This financing is not on the City or any other rate payors.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

- Patricia Blevins, New Castle, requested Park Board Meeting Minutes be put on the City website.
- Akeen Jackson, New Castle, rain run off and drain issue. Drug problem in the back area of Osborne Park. Mayor York stated he would take a look at both issues.
- Dennis Hamilton, New Castle, requested the process of use of City Court. Thanked Police, Fire and EMS for their kind, calming and professional service.
- Mike Broyles, New Castle, thanked RDC for their work on the downtown façade's and 1400 Plaza.

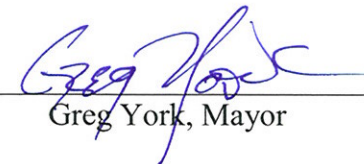
Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

  
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Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:

  
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Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

**Approved by me this 7th day of May, 2018.**

  
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Greg York, Mayor

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