COMMON COUNCIL

March 7, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Peckinpaugh

ROLL CALL:

Mike Guffey Present
Jeff Hancock Present
Jerry Walden Present
Aaron Dicken Present
Mark Koger Present
Lynn Perdue Present
Rex Peckinpaugh Present

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

• At the start of the meeting President Peckinpaugh asked that everyone wish Mayor York a Happy Birthday.

Vice President Hancock moved to accept the minutes from the former meeting.
 Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mike	Jeff	Jerry	Aaron	Mark	Lynn	Rex
Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

PUBLIC HEARING:

No Public Hearing

PROCLAMATIONS:

No Proclamations

RESOLUTIONS:

 #03072022-1 ADOPTING A DEFINITIVE POLICY AND WRITTEN FISCAL PLAN President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mike	Jeff	Jerry	Aaron	Mark	Lynn	Rex
Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

 #03072022-2 SUPPORTING INITIATIVES TO REDUCE THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE Councilman Dicken moved to approve. President Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mike	Jeff	Jerry	Aaron	Mark	Lynn	Rex
Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

 #03072022-3 AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF CONRONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIFIED GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND AMENDING THE CITY'S WRITTEN PLAN FOR THE EXPENDITURE assigning \$350,000.00 for the renovation of a new police station on North 6th Street and \$80,000.00 for the repair of sidewalks on South Main Street around the ball diamonds. President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Councilman Perdue seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Mike	Jeff	Jerry	Aaron	Mark	Lynn	Rex
Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

 #03072022-4 A RESOLUTION OF THE NEW CASTLE COMMON COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF NEW CASTLE MAIN STREET, INC'S BUILDING RENOVATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Councilman Dicken seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mike	Jeff	Jerry	Aaron	Mark	Lynn	Rex
Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

• After the approval of #03072022-4 President Peckinpaugh moved to appoint Bill Brown as the Councils choice for the Building Renovation Assistance Board (BRAP). Vice President Hancock seconded. Councilman Dicken expressed his concerns about Mr. Brown owning property in the downtown area. After discussion roll call vote was had. Motion carried 6-0.

Ī	Mike	Jeff	Jerry	Aaron	Mark	Lvnn	Rex
	Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Nay	Yes	Yes	Yes

ORDINANCES:

#3879 AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN CONTIGUOUS TERRITORY IN TO THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, INDIANA. PARCEL # 33-12-26-110-1135.000-015 (007-93128-00). COMMONLY KNOWN AS 3124 LOCUST STREET. President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mike	Jeff	Jerry	Aaron	Mark	Lynn	Rex
Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

OTHER BUSINESS:

New Castle Climate Action team did the presentation on the final report IU Resiliency Cohort Greenhouse Gas Inventory. A team of students from New Castle High School were present along with their teacher and Dave Stoots. After the presentation Corey Murphy with the EDC stated that this was a good thing to have in play when attracting business and people to the area. Citizen Nan Polk stated that Indiana was 48th in air quality and also asked Council if there was any room in the budget they might take air quality into effect. Councilman Walden stated there had been over 6000 trees planted over the past few years. Councilman Walden also thanked the group from the high school for caring about their environment. Dave Stoots stated they are working to get 2 outdoor air quality units in place in the next 2 years and also 2 to 4 indoor sensors at the New Castle Fieldhouse and Bundy Auditorium. Councilman Guffey travels to a facility in Kentucky that puts information up on their bulletin boards about the air quality.

- Police Chief Schofield presented Council with their NCPD 2021 Annual report. Chief Schofield gave a quick overview of the report.
- President Peckinpaugh requested that Clerk Treasurer Grider look into all the non-reverting lines that the City has. He would like to know if they have balances and are they currently being used. Clerk Treasurer Grider stated she would comply with this request.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Guffey:

Noted;

No Comments

Vice-President Hancock:

Noted;

No Comments

Councilman Walden:

Noted;

- Advised Council the ECIRP meeting will be Tuesday March 22nd in the Old Circuit Court Room at the Courthouse from 10am 12pm.
- Advised Council that he graduated from his cardiac rehab on Wednesday following his recent heart attack.

Councilman Dicken:

Noted;

Thanked Council for allowing him to follow thru with the Greenhouse project.

Councilman Koger:

Noted;

Thank Councilman Dicken for heading up the Greenhouse project.

Councilman Perdue:

Noted;

No Comments

President Peckinpaugh:

Noted;

No Comments

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

 Mayor York announced at the suggestion of Vice President Hancock, Mayor York would like to purchase a banner that has an American Flag and a Ukraine flag and says we stand with you. With a show of hands Council approved the purchase 7-0.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- No Citizens Appeared.
- Meeting Adjourned Councilman Walden

ATTEST:

Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 7th, Day of March 2022.

ATTEST:

Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Greg York, Mayor

Presiding Officer of the Common Council