COMMON COUNCIL

February 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor York

ROLL CALL:

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Vice President Hancock moved to accept the minutes from the former meeting.
 Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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

PUBLIC HEARING:

No Public Hearing

PROCLAMATIONS:

No Proclamations

RESOLUTIONS:

 #02212023-1 AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIFIED GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND FURTHER AMENDING THE CITY'S WRITTEN PLAN FOR EXPENDITURE \$15,000.00 FOR TREES AT FITZGERALD TRAIL. President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried. 6-0.

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	Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Į	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes

 #02212023-2 AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF REVENUE ALLOCATE TO THE CITY'S RIVERBOAT FUND. \$15,000.00 for New Castle Mainstreet. President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh	
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	

ORDINANCES:

#3901 VACATING A RIGHT OF WAY President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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Guffey	Hancock	Walden	Dicken	Koger	Perdue	Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Guffey:

Noted;

- Thanked the Mayor, Director Barker, Superintendent Walker and Councilman Walden for meeting with Grede regarding signage. Grede is purchasing 10 18X18 signs to be placed for the truck routes coming in and out of Grede. Mayor York stated that he has notice a lot of Semis that are on roads they should not be on and asked Chief Schofield to start writing tickets for Semis using roads they are not supposed to be on.
- Inquired about the street cuts in the 1700 Block of Morton and asked when they would be repaired. Mayor York stated he would look into to it.

Vice-President Hancock: Noted;

- Stated, in the 1st block of N 24th St. the no parking sign needs to be replaced.
 Superintendent Walker stated he would look into it.
- Congratulated Tri High Girls Basketball team for their amazing season and making it to Semi-State
- Congratulated The Trojan Wrestlers who went to State over the weekend.

Councilman Walden:

Noted;

• Stated there will be a EIPC meeting on March 3rd and he encouraged everyone to register to watch.

Councilman Dicken:

Noted;

No Comments

Councilman Koger:

Noted:

No Comments

Councilman Perdue:

Noted;

Absent

President Peckinpaugh: Noted;

- Stated there would be an announcement tomorrow about a new facility opening in
 Muncie as a partnership for crisis center where people could be evaluated for mental
 health issues without going to an ER. Councilman Walden asked if the new jail had Jcap
 but that it was only available to those incarcerated. Val Mcnelis asked if anyone from
 New Castle was utilizing the facility in Hagerstown. No one knew for sure if anyone was
 using that facility or not.
- Congratulated all three wrestlers that competed in the State Wrestling meet on Saturday.
 They have a 6th place finisher, a 4th place finisher and a State Champion. Peckinpaugh
 stated he had 3 big 10 coaches contact him regarding, freshman Tylin Thrine that finished
 as the State Champion with a 42-0 season. Peckinpaugh stated there was something
 special about this young man and he has visions of him going down as one of the greatest
 athletes in New Castle history.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

• Mayor York opened up discussion regarding the city owned farm ground that is located on Washington Street and on Hillsboro Road by the Fire Department training center. Mayor York had 2 realtors look at the properties and the appraisals came in anywhere from \$400,000.00 to \$500,000.00 Thousand dollars for both properties together. Attorney Harvey will draw up the paperwork to have the Board of Works to set up a price. Attorney Harvey will write up a resolution for approval at the next meeting. Mike Broyles asked if before the property is sold could they put in an easement in for the trails. Ed Hill stated that all of the property would be in the city limits.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

No Citizens Appeared

Meeting Adjourned Vice President Hancock

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:

Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 21st Day of February 2023.

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