

COMMON COUNCIL

September 18, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Peckinpagh

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

- Councilman Koger moved to accept the minutes from the former meeting. Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 4-1-0.

Mike Guffey	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpagh
Yes	Abstained	Yes	Absent	Yes	Absent	Yes

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- No Public Hearing

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

- Deanna Stiles was honored as the 1<sup>st</sup> time winner of Henry County People Choice Award and a proclamation was given to here by Mayor York.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

- No Resolutions

**ORDINANCES:**

- #3914 Authorizing the use of side-by-side vehicles within the City of New Castle.  
President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on first reading. Councilman Koger seconded.  
Motion carried 5-0.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Absent	Yes

- #3914 Authorizing the use of side-by-side vehicles within the City of New Castle.  
President Peckinpaugh moved to suspend the rules to second reading. Councilman Koger seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on second reading. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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- #3914 Authorizing the use of side-by-side vehicles within the City of New Castle.  
President Peckinpaugh moved to suspend to rules to third reading. Councilman Koger seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on first reading. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on third reading. Councilman Guffey seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Mike Guffey	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
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- #3904 2024 BUDGET
  - #3905 2024 DOF SALARY
  - #3906 2024 ELECTED OFFICIAL SALARY
  - #3907 2024 MANAGEMENT SALARY
  - #3908 2024 HOURLY SALARY
  - #3909 2024 FIRE SALARY
  - #3910 2024 EMS SALARY
  - #3911 2024 POLICE SALARY
- President Peckinpaugh moved to table the 2024 Budget and Salary Ordinances due to 2 members of Council being absent and encouraged anyone with questions set up a meeting with Clerk Treasurer Grider. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilman Guffey:**       Noted;

- Asked if we could move one of the electronic speed signs to Grand Ave as you come into the City from the East. Grand Ave has been paved and people are not slowing down when coming into the City. Chief Schofield stated he would get one moved over there.

**Vice-President Hancock:**   Noted;

- Inquired about putting in a 4-way stop at 21<sup>st</sup> and D instead of a 2-way. Traffic Committee will take a look at it. Street Superintendent Walker stated if we do that, we will have to mark no parking close to the sign.

**Councilman Walden:**       Noted;

- Inquired about putting no parking all the way down the North side of Vine St. at 14<sup>th</sup> St. Traffic Committee to look into it.

**Councilman Dicken:**       Noted;

- Absent

**Councilman Koger:**       Noted;

- Stated the chemical that Street Superintendent Walker is using to remove graffiti off of signs works great.

**Councilman Perdue:**       Noted;

- Absent

**President Peckinpugh:** Noted;

- No Comments.

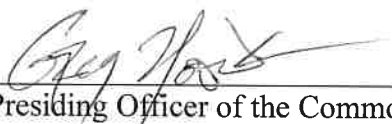
**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

- Cemetery Superintendent Denney stated the Calli bariums are in and they look really nice.
- Director Barker stated, Midwest paving may start milling on Friday.
- Street Superintendent Walker stated they would start doing leave pickup. 15 bag limit per week. Brush pick be put on hold. Please have patience. Walker also asked if the information could be put on the website.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

- Corey Murphy, EDC, spoke regarding the READI program. There will be a dollar-for-dollar match and it will focus on housing Councilman Walden asked if we should update the comprehensive plan.
- Corey Murphy, EDC spoke regarding make my move. It is to attract out of state workers to locate here to work remotely. We have had 3 movers and have extended the program for another year.
- Corey Murphy, EDC talked about a way finding study and brought a display of what the signs may look like. He is asking for \$25,000.00 from the City for a study of the signage placement. President Peckinpugh stated he would bring up the allocation at the next meeting and would give some time for the County to see if they would like to participate also.
- Nicole Cox 1616 Ross Street, appeared to ask again that they please pass ordinance #3914 regarding the side-by-sides on the city streets.

Meeting Adjourned Councilman Koger


  
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Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:


  
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Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

September 18, 2023

Approved by me this 18<sup>th</sup> Day of September, 2023.

  
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Greg York, Mayor

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Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer