

COMMON COUNCIL

May 19, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Rex Peckinpaugh

ROLL CALL:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.: VP Hancock made a motion with a second from Councilman Purdue. Motion carries 5-0.

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

No Additions or change to agenda.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CITIZENS APPEARING

Bill Upchurch- President of New Castle Little League. Mr. Upchurch requested a donation to the Little League for help with fencing for a new diamond for Coach's pitch and Tee Ball. A map was provided to show where this will go and stats with attendance and players. Pres. Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve up to \$40,000 to help with the fencing. There was a second from Councilman Walden. Motion carries 5-0.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

New Castle Little League- see above.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Councilman Guffey:**

- Comments about Rd. 3/ 38 being confusing and dangerous.

**Vice-President Hancock:**

- Questions about an ordinance with trailers being connected. Requests to talk with Barker after meeting.

**Councilman Walden:**

- Invitations to Juneteenth celebration (6/19) and Toy Factory band. Also Westminster on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Councilman Dicken:

Councilman Koger:

Councilman Perdue:

- Shout out to Building Inspector office doing a great job.

President Peckinpaugh:

- Shout out to the Mayor and his attendance. Tonight being only 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting missed. Reminder of the Memorial Day parade.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- None

PROCLAMATIONS:

- None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Clerk Treasurer Huffman- new grandbaby born this morning!

New Business

RESOLUTIONS:

**#05192025-1** RECINDING THE PRIOR ALLOCATIONS OF REVENUE TO  
VOLENTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND THE NEW CASTLE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR  
THE YEAR 2026. President Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve with a second from VP  
Hancock. Discussion follows. **Motion carries 5-0.**

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

**FIRST READING**

**#3956** AMENDING THE TRAFFIC SCHEDULES (PROHIBITING SEMI TRACOTRS  
ON MAIN STREET) President Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve with a second from VP  
Hancock. Discussion follows. **Motion carries 5-0.**

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President Peckinpaugh made a motion to suspend the rules for second reading. VP Hancock seconds and motion carries 5-0. 2nd Reading- President Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve with a second from VP Hancock. **Motion carries 5-0.** President Peckinpaugh made a motion to suspend the rules for third reading. VP Hancock seconds and motion carries 5-0. 3rd Reading- President Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve with a second from VP Hancock. **Motion carries 5-0.**

SECOND READING

**#3953** RESTATING AND AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR THE NEW CASTLE SOUTH MOUND CEMETER AND WESTLAWN ADDITION.

Pres. Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve this with VP Hancock seconding. **Motion carries 5-0.**

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Peckinpaugh made a motion to suspend the rules for third reading. VP Hancock seconds and motion carries 5-0. 3rd Reading- President Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve with a second from Councilman Purdue. **Motion carries 5-0.**

Meeting Adjourned by President Peckinpaugh

  
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Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:  
  
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Ashley Huffman, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 19th day of May, 2025.

ATTEST:  
  
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Ashley Huffman, Clerk Treasurer

  
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Greg York, Mayor