

## COMMON COUNCIL

January 2, 2018 at 7:00 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:**

Mary Abbott	Present
Jeff Hancock	Present
Jerry Walden	Present
Aaron Dicken	Present
Mark Koger	Present
Lynn Perdue	Absent
Rex Peckinpaugh	Present

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

- Mayor York opened the meeting requesting nominations for Council President. Councilman Hancock moved to nominate Councilman Koger for President. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 6-0

Mary Abbott	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes

- Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to close nominations and elect Councilman Koger as President of Council. Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 6-0

Mary Abbott	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
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- Councilman Koger moved to nominate Councilman Hancock as Vice President of Council. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

- Councilman Hancock moved to suspend the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and approve. Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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### **PROCLAMATIONS:**

- No Proclamations

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

- No Resolutions

## **ORDINANCES:**

- No Ordinances

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Attorney Copenhaver presented an Interlocal Agreement between Middletown and the City of New Castle for the use of City Court. After discussion Councilman Hancock moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement. President Koger seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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- President Koger noted a discussion during last Council meeting of changing the time that Council Meeting will begin from 7:00pm to 6:30pm and made a motion to authorize the time change of Council Meeting beginning the first meeting in February. Councilman Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Council-lady Abbott:** Noted;
- Reported her pride in the city and its administration for the respect and honor given to Chief Catron's passing.
- Councilman Hancock:** Noted;
- Reminder of speed limit signs on Midway Drive.
  - The new Utility Office looks great.
  - Trash discussion will be held until Councilman Perdue returns.
- Councilman Walden:** Noted;
- Commended the Water Plant administration and employees for their diligent work, noting 9 main breaks in 4 days.
- Councilman Dicken:** Noted;
- Noted plywood on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Community Building needs replaced.
  - Requested information on trash pickup on Broad Street.
  - 4 way stop at 14<sup>th</sup> and C Avenue need to be painted.
  - Permanent Handicap Parking Spots on Race.
  - 1400 Plaza meetings with HWC. Noting Historic Preservation would need to approve as well. HWC will present to RDC in January.
- President Koger:** Noted;
- Informed the Interlocal Agreement with Middletown is in addition to Spiceland, Lewisville, Straughn and Kennard.
  - Introduced Whitney and Tyson Catron for being here tonight and supported a donation fund for a Memorial for Brad Catron.
  - Introduced Cory Murphy, EDC Director who updated Council on the year of Economic Development.

**Councilman Perdue:** Noted;  
• No report.

**Councilman Peckinpugh:** Noted;  
• Voiced his recommendations regarding 14<sup>th</sup> Street in the area of 1400 Plaza, as well as parking lot improvements to lot behind Jeff's Alignment.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

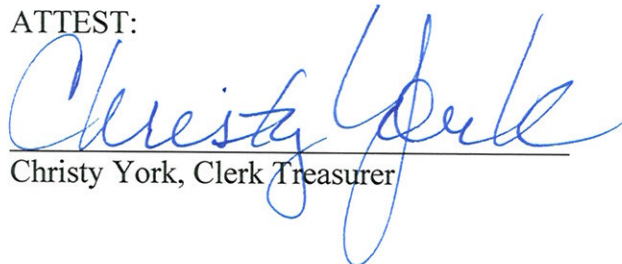
- Mayor York announced Matt Schoffield as the new Police Chief.
- Mayor York gave prayers and thumbs up to all the Emergency Services, Sanitation and Water Plant staff for the work during the winter months.
- Superintendent Phipps recommended that all employees and Council tour the Water Plant.
- Chief Schoffield announced Justin Wardlow as the newly appointed Assistant Chief of the Police Department.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

- Danny Marcum, New Castle, supported the Chief Catron donation fund.
- Bill Ballenger, New Castle, informed that neighbors were parking in the alley. Traffic Committee will review.

Councilman Peckinpugh moved to adjourn. Council-lady Brewington seconded. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

  
Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Approved by me this 2nd day of January, 2018.

  
Greg York, Mayor

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