

COMMON COUNCIL

February 6, 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 5-0-1.

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

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Public Hearing was opened at 7:02p.m. regarding #3901 VACATING A RIGHT OF WAY Emma And Gary Arnold spoke asking them to leave the alleyway open as they have a garage that they would need access to. Christina Robinson also appeared and both parties spoke and an agreement was made to vacate a portion of the alley that relates to the Robinson’s property only. President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on second reading with the amendment to exclude the property at 1018 New York Ave. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No Proclamations

RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- No Ordinances

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Guffey: Noted;

- Thanked Councilman Walden for going with him to Grede Foundries to talk about the signage issue. Great conversation was had and they think they have come to an agreement on placing signs for the truck routes.

Vice-President Hancock: Noted;

- Thanked the Street Department the for great work on filling the pot holes.

Councilman Walden: Noted;

- Asked Council to think about updating the comprehensive plan. President Peckinpaugh also suggested that they start updating zoning and ordinances.
- Inquired if anyone knew when they would be starting working again on 16th Street. Director Barker advised that they are wanting to start the 1st week of March. Councilman Walden also asked if there would be in public meetings before they start. Director Barker stated not at this time but he would look into it.
- Asked everyone to contact their representatives about stopping House Bill 1499.

Councilman Dicken: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Koger: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Perdue: Noted;

- Absent

President Peckinpaugh: Noted;

- Congratulated the Wrestlers going to State Competition and the Swimmers that also advanced to State.


ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Superintendent Phipps stated that his crew were currently working on a main break.
- Mayor York stated that there would be no primary election this year and some departments would like to work on Tuesday May 2nd and have Friday May 26th off as to give them a 4-day weekend.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- Corey Murphy, EDC gave the 2022 Annual Report. Murphy spoke on Make My Move and attracting out of State residents to relocate here and work remotely.
- Murphy stated Cobblestone is looking for local investors to buy the franchise and be a local owner.
- New Castle Southern Railroad has signed a lease on the old Firestone property.
- Stated the shell building is getting a lot of attention.
- Councilman Guffey asked if he could update regarding the airport. Murphy stated the apron was 95 percent complete.
- Councilman Walden thanked Corey for all his hard work.

Meeting Adjourned Councilman Koger



Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:



Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this **6th Day of February 2023.**



Greg York, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer