

COMMON COUNCIL

November 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by everyone in attendance.

Prayer was given by Mayor York

Meeting was called to order by Mayor York.

ROLL CALL:

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Vice-President Hancock moved to suspend the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and approve. Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

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

- Doug Baldessari with Baker Tilly addressed this Council about the possible expansion behind Pleasantview Dr. area and possibly down 300 South between 3 and 103. Mr. Baldessari advised Council that the city would be able to pay for the sewer and water expansion with the payment generated by the new customers.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- No Public Hearing

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No Proclamations

RESOLUTIONS:

- No Resolutions

ORDINANCES:

1st Reading

- #3822 AMENDING RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES Vice President Hancock moved to accept. President Koger seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Penny York appeared as a representative of Sam Hall regarding the zoning of the parking lot located at the corner of S.14th and Walnut St. She asked Council to approve the rezoning of said property even though Little Caesars has declined to build there now. President Koger moved to remand this back to the Planning Commission. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Council-lady Abbott: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Hancock: Noted;

- Addressed the pothole in front of Jeff's Alignment. We will try to get it taking care of as soon as possible. Street Department is busy with leaf removal at present.

Councilman Walden: Noted;

- Encouraged all of the Council to let Chief Russell take them on a tour of the new EMS center. Lots of things happening there. New Castle Career Center is using it for student classes 2 times a week. There is an adult class on Thursdays and soon will be adding another adult class on Tuesday evenings.

Councilman Dicken: Noted;

- No Comment

President Koger: Noted;

- No Comment

Councilman Perdue: Noted;

- Stated that he is going to take the lead on fixing up Trojan Lane. Getting some prices on redoing the median and also asked Councilman Peckingpaugh to help with this project.

Councilman Peckinpaugh: Noted;

- Stated that the Stellar Committee did the presentation at the State House last week and wanted to thank everyone that worked on the committee in any capacity. They will announce the winner on Dec. 5th, 2019.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Transit Manager Sloan announced that dates and times for the annual Tour of Lights for the City Transit System. Citizens can start making reservation November 25th, 2019. The dates and times are as follows. Dec. 12th and 13th at 5:45pm.
- Mayor York advised Council that our Superintendent at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Steve Swoveland, had passed away due to a short battle with cancer. The City will be searching for someone with a Class 4 in sewage to replace Steve. He will be greatly missed by everyone at the City. Also wanted to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

Kristi Williamson 8th grade English teacher at the New Castle Middle School asked Council to be the judge on a project she gave as an assignment to her class. Mrs. Williamson asked the class to make a brochure persuading someone as to why they should come and live in New Castle. The winner will have their brochure placed in Realty Companies here in New Castle. Council was given a copy of each student's entry and will get with Mrs. Williamson when they have made their final decision.

Robert Dye wanted to thank Councilman Walden, Director Barker and Chief Schofield for everything they have done in his neighborhood to make it a better place to live.

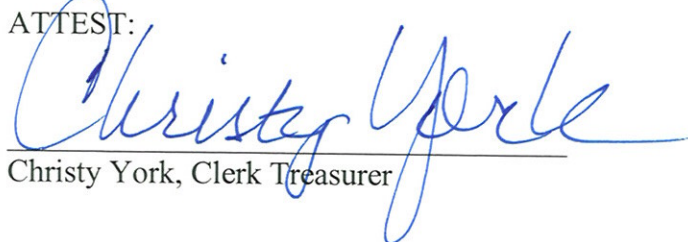
Shaun Default, Chamber of Commerce, asked if there would be signage for parking for the Christmas Walk on Dec. 5th. Mainstreet is working on signage but it will not be ready in time for the Christmas Walk.

Mr. Default also wanting to thank Mainstreet and K of P Lodge for all the decorations in the downtown area.

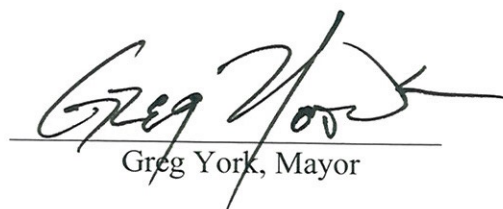
Mr. Default also announced the ribbon cutting for Temptations will be at 10:45am on Dec. 5th.

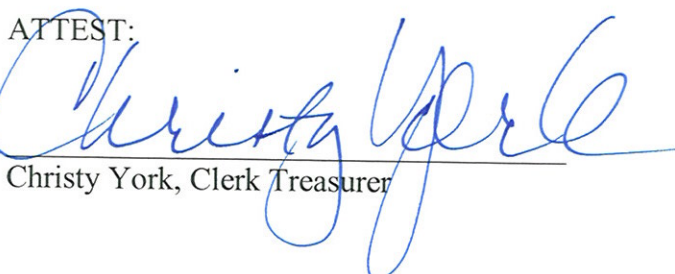
- Meeting Adjourned Councilman Peckinpaugh


 Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:

 Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 18th day of November 2019.


 Greg York, Mayor

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