

COMMON COUNCIL

October 19, 2020 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:

Mike Guffey	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 accept the minutes from the former meeting with corrections. President Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 7-0

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

PUBLIC HEARING:

- No Public Hearing

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No Proclamations

RESOLUTIONS:

- No Resolutions

ORDINANCES:

- #3842 2021 BUDGET
- #3843 2021 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE SALARY
- #3844 2021 MANAGEMENT SALARY
- #3845 2021 ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARY
- #3846 2021 HOURLY SALARY
- #3847 2021 FIRE SALARY
- #3848 2021 EMS SALARY
- #3849 2021 POLICE SALARY
- President Peckinpaugh moved to approve #3842 thru #3849 on third reading. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

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

- #3852 AMENDING 33.16 OF CITY CODE (Compensation for Police Officers)
President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on first reading. Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

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

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Angela Cox with Henry County Health Department address the Council with an update on the Covid numbers here in Henry County. As always wash your hands, wear your mask and social distance is the way to help stop the spread.
- Corey Murphy with NC/HC EDC introduced Aaron Lowhorn with Preppy Puppies Bakery who will be doing business at 501 New York Avenue and asked that asked that Attorney Harvey move forward with a three year tax abatement on equipment only. Council was in agreement to move forward. Thanked the City for their efforts in the Business Grants. The application portal will be closing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Guffey: Noted;

- Addressed getting the brush off the fence at the old Firestone plant. Work has already been started on this.

Vice-President Hancock: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Walden: Noted;

- Thanked Parks Department for Osborne Park clean up.
- Thanked Building Inspectors office for getting areas around town cleaned up.
- Advised Council that Healthy Communities is interested in the property located at 1609 "B" Avenue.
- Inquired about notifying the members of the Land Bank. Attorney Harvey will be sending out letters.

Councilman Dicken: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Koger: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Perdue: Noted;

- Asked the Street Department to replace the sign at Main and Bundy. Will be taken care of.

President Peckinpough: Noted;

- Inquired when Race Street would be paved. If weather permits by the end of the October, they will do the underlay and then in the spring they will come back to finish it.
- Asked that they next meeting be in person so Council can hear from the towing companies again before voting on the new Tow Ordinance.
- Asked about Central Avenue between 14th and 15th if they signage had been added for two-way street now instead of a one way.

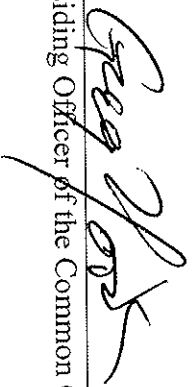
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Mayor York discussed the fact that the COVID numbers were going up again in Henry County. He asked that everything stay safe and that the City Buildings would again be closing to the public.

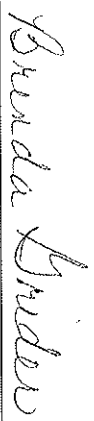
CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- No Citizens Appeared
- Meeting Adjourned President Peckinpough

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

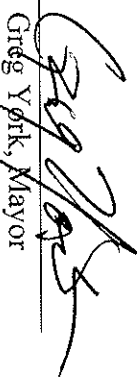


ATTEST:



Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 19th day of October, 2020.



Greg York, Mayor

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