

COMMON COUNCIL

February 1, 2021 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 Guffey 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

PUBLIC HEARING:

- No Public Hearing

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No Proclamations

RESOLUTIONS:

- #02012021-1 REGARDING PAYMENT FOR ACQUIATION OF AMBULANCES President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on first reading. 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

ORDINANCES:

- #3858 ESTABLISING REGULATION ON THE DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES President Peckinpaugh moved to approve. Councilman Dicken 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

OTHER BUSINESS:

- President Peckinpaugh moved to earmark \$110,000.00 out of the LOIT funds for the purchase of a Bearcat Armored Vehicle. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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- President Peckinpaugh moved to earmark funds to cover the cost of Flock plate readers to set up in New Castle, \$11,000.00 the first year and \$10,000.00 every year after. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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- President Peckinpaugh presented Council with information on a new Recycling Grant offered by the State and asked that everyone take a look at it and see if the City was eligible.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Guffey: Noted;

- No Comments

Vice-President Hancock: Noted;

- Inquired about the building at 1306 Broad Street and who owned the Electrical boxes on the side of the building. It was stated that they boxes were owned by the City and that Kys Kreations would be paying for the electric being used.

Councilman Walden: Noted;

- Commented on the recycling grant and hoped that we would be eligible.
- Asked Chief Boatright if the new fire trucks were in service now. Chief Boatright informed council that both new trucks were in service.

Councilman Dicken: Noted;

- Informed Council that New Castle had been admitted into the Indiana Resiliency Cohort for greenhouse projects.

Councilman Koger: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Perdue: Noted;

- Absent

President Peckinpaugh: Noted;

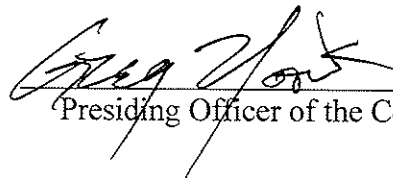
- Thanked the Courier for advertising that website to file complaints and concerns for the City.
- Put together a Committee of Councilman Walden, Councilman Dicken and Councilman Perdue to meet with Superintendent Walker regarding Rey

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Chief Schofield advised Council that the Police Departments Annual Report would be presented at the next Council meeting.
- Superintendent Walker thanked Councilman Koger for defending the Street Department on an issue that was being discussed on social media.
- Superintendent Walker advised Council that since taking trash to Muncie the trucks have had no repairs, no flats or towing.
- Director Barker presented council with the streets that will be paved if the City is accepted for a Community Crossings Grant Award.
- Director Barker advised Council that Board of Works opened bids for the next phase of the Long-Term Control Plan and that bids were under expected cost. Engineers are going over bids and award will be announced at the next Board of Works meeting.
- Attorney Harvey spoke briefly on the landbank and stated that the board might be able to start getting properties back on the tax role in April.
- Mayor York thanked the Street Department for all their work over the weekend dealing with the ice and the snow.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- Carrie Barrett with New Castle Main Street advised Council, Main Street was still working on their Strategic Plan and that 4th Fridays are tentatively set to start May 28th, 2021 with Covid Restrictions.
- Mike Broyles stated his concern about recycling and stated that plastic is the main thing that people do not recycle.
- Meeting Adjourned President Peckinpaugh




Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:



Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 1st Day of February 2021.



Greg York, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer