

COMMON COUNCIL

August 21, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Peckinpaugh

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

- Councilman Koger moved to accept the minutes from the former meeting. Councilman Perdue seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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A presentation of a clock was given to William Muterspaugh upon his retirement from the City of New Castle Transit Department.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- No Public Hearing

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

- No Proclamations

**RESOLUTIONS:**

- No Resolutions

**ORDINANCES:**

- #3912 AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICTS OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE  
President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on first reading. Councilman Koger seconded.  
Motion carried 6-0.

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After the votes were taken Councilman Koger added that the building of the Cobblestone Hotel on this property will but tremendous for our City.

President Peckinpaugh Thanked Randy and Inga Neal for stepping up not only for this project but all they do for the Community.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilman Guffey:** Noted;

- No Comments

**Vice-President Hancock:** Noted;

- Absent

**Councilman Walden:** Noted;

- Thanked Director Barker for taking care of the issue at 14<sup>th</sup> and Woodward.

**Councilman Dicken:** Noted;

- No Comments

**Councilman Koger:** Noted;

- No Comments

**Councilman Perdue:** Noted;

- Asked that a speed limit sign be placed on Grand Avenue as you are entering the City, there is one going out but not coming in.

**President Peckinpaugh:** Noted;

- No Comments

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

- Park Superintendent Bergum, stated there was a disc golf tournament held in Baker Park with 60 contestants, a 5K run, the pickleball courts were being used, the skatepark and reunions were all at Baker Park this weekend.
- Director Barker most ADA ramps have been completed in the Oak Grove area. Midwest should be back next week to complete the ramps.
- Transit Manager Sloan stated, the recycle bins are going good at the new location.
- Street Superintendent Walker stated, they are getting the leaf vacs ready and once they start picking up leaves there will be no brush pick up.
- Mayor York stated, Troy Ave. had to have 8 to 10 inches of base added to it to fix it correctly. Councilman Walden stated he believes the 16<sup>th</sup> Street project will be done by the deadline of September 21<sup>st</sup>. Mayor York stated, when they were almost a year late getting the bridge on 38 fixed, they received heavy fines.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

- Don Swoveland appeared to ask if there was an animal ordinance for the City. President Peckinpaugh told Mr. Swoveland he was make sure he got a copy of the ordinance.
- William Huber and Luke Bowman with the K of C presented a rendering of the baby box sign that will be placed on Main Street directing people to where it is located. President Peckinpaugh moved to approve the signage and placement. Councilman Walden seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

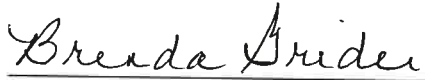
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- Penny York, EDC asked that everyone go to survey monkey or forgeeci.com and complete the survey or a link would be available on the EDC website. Ms. York also discussed the grant that is available for commercial projects only and if anyone had any questions, they could contact her directly.

Meeting Adjourned Councilman Walden

  
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Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:

  
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Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this **21st of August, 2023.**

  
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Greg York, Mayor

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