

COMMON COUNCIL

February 3, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Rex Peckinpaugh

ROLL CALL:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.: VP Hancock made a motion with a second from Councilman Walden. Motion carries 6-0 with Pres. Peckinpaugh abstaining.

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

No Additions or change to agenda.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CITIZENS APPEARING

Krystal Stanich- Renaissance Festival- information on upcoming Festival (July 26th), this is the 5th year. Requested \$2000 from city for help with festival, out of Riverboat. Pres. Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve with VP Hancock second. Motion carries 6-0.

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Corey Murphy- Henry County EDC- Mr. Murphy provided an update on the New Castle Airport, Henry County Tourism (ranked #24/92 in growth 2023), a potential new housing development (BCT Properties, LLC), and Read1 with Read2. MR. Murphy also suggested Mike Broyles to be appointed to the Historic Preservation Commission. Pres. Peckinpaugh made a motion with VP Hancock seconding this. Motion carries for Mr. Broyles appointment 6-0.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Justin Harrison, Assistant Chief EMS. Justin gave an update and thorough presentation on how EMS works , history and statistics. Discussion followed. Justin also presented a hard copy of the presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Guffey: Mr. Guffey had questions about the high flow charge and questioning how much sewer receives. Mr. Guffey asked where the money goes.

Vice-President Hancock:

- Questions about house on S. 15th, house is torn down.

Councilman Walden:

- Comments about attending Indiana Regional Planning and concerns for the future.

Councilman Dicken:

Comments/Questions on Community Crossing grant. City will not be applying this round due to the match, but is considering the next round.

Councilman Koger:

No comments

Councilman Perdue:

- Absent

President Peckinpough:

- No comments

PUBLIC HEARING:

- None

PROCLAMATIONS:

- None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

None

New business

RESOLUTIONS:

None

ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING

#3947 AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTION OF TRASH AND GARBAGE FROM CERTAIN PROPERTIES OUTSIDE OF THE CITY AND IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR TRASH AND GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE PROVIDED TO PROPERTIES OUTSIDE OF THE CITY.


Pres. Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve this with Councilman Dicken seconds. Discussion followed with the Mayor saying this was a maybe and Councilman Koger thinking \$4.00 was too cheap. Motion carries 6-0.

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#3939 2025 EMS SALARY (AMENDED) This is changing the PRN pay for Paramedics and EMT's with the new changes. Pres. Peckinpaugh made a motion to approve with a second from Councilman Walden. Motion carries 6-0.

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Meeting Adjourned by President Peckinpaugh



Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:


Ashley Huffman, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 3rd day of February, 2025.



Greg York, Mayor

ATTEST:


Ashley Huffman, Clerk Treasurer