

January 8, 2018

The regular meeting of the New Castle City Commission was held on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 7:00pm at New Castle City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis Benham and Commissioners Mitchell and Kurtz. Commissioners Thompson and Gatewood were ill. Also present was City Clerk Lynn Adams, Public Works Director Scot Treece, EDC Jeff Thoke, CEO Jeff Durbin, City Attorney Josh Clubb, Assistant Fire Chief Lorry Hansen and Fire Chief Wesley Benham. Tammy Shaw of Landmark Newspapers, Magistrate Terri Cummings and citizen Akacia Kurtz.

Mayor Benham called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Kurtz made the motion to accept all the minutes from the month of December and also approve all the disbursements. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

There were no deputies attending tonight's meeting.

Mr. Ben U'Sellis of Spectrum will be meeting soon with Mayor Benham to discuss the franchise agreement options.

Commissioner Kurtz made the motion to have second reading of Ordinance #17-08, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE CALLED ZONING ORDINANCE FOR HENRY COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING ORDINANCE #17-08. The Mayor seconded the motion and it did carry unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave second reading of Ordinance #17-08 by summary.

Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to adopt Ordinance #17-08. Commissioner Kurtz seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Proposed Resolution #18-01 was presented and reviewed.

Commissioner Kurtz made the motion to adopt Resolution #18-01, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY AND THE KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY. The Mayor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Jeff Thoke advised that he is looking into being a "Preserve America Community" and what benefits there would be for the City. Also he is replacing all the decorative lights at the locker and is looking into flooring options.

Joe Durbin advised that he put in 20 hours 16 minutes during the month of December and that most cases are complete. There are three problem properties that will most likely end up in court. He and the Mayor will be attending code enforcement training presented by KLC on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of this month. He stated that the County Attorney advised him to cite violators twice before presenting to their office for court action. He also stated there are two individuals who will haul scrap metal items away for free and he is giving this information to violators to assist them with compliance.

Scot stated that they have been busy with breaks and frozen meters this last week. The rehab project is slowly continuing. It has also been affected by the weather.

Chief Benham advised that they did have some freezing issues at the fire department but that they have been resolved. Also, they are applying for a grant for new air packs.

As there was no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kurtz seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

We adjourned at 7:22pm.