

August 1, 2022

The New Castle City Commission meeting was held on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 6pm. Present was Mayor Kurtz and Commissioners Thompson, Hay, Sevier and Mitchell. Also present was City Clerk Lynn Adams, Public Works Director Joey Bramblett, Asst. Director Vincent Bates, Deputy Josh Jamiel and his son, CEO Tanner Doll and citizens Jennifer Delling, Roy Ricketts and Ron Laughlin.

Mayor Kurtz called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to accept the minutes from all July meetings as presented. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion. The motion did carry unanimously.

Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to approve all disbursements, deposits and transfers for the month of March. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Commissioners Thompson and Sevier checked all bank balances using the online service.

Deputy Jamiel presented the activity report for the three deputies for the month of July.

Replacing the lights in the bathrooms, kitchen, one office and hallway at the fire department was discussed. A quote of \$940.00 has been received.

Commissioner Hay made the motion that the city contract for the replacement of the mentioned lights at a cost of \$940.00. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

The City's representative on the Economic Development Board has moved out of the county. Ricky Doyl has volunteered to fill out her term. There was discussion.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to appoint Ricky Doyle as the City's representative on the Economic Development Board. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion which did carry unanimously.

There will be a public hearing on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 5:45 regarding the proposed 2022 property tax rate. Also, the audit will be presented at the September 12th Commission meeting.

There was discussion on paving the city parking lot off West Cross Main Street. Joey has researched and it will cost \$35,000 plus. It was mentioned that the city could sell the parking lot on Carter Street (it is not used) to help fund the paving. There was further discussion. It was decided to have Attorney Clubb review and advise of the process the city needs to follow in order to have this item on the agenda for the September meeting.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have a city-wide cleanup day on October 15, 2022, with a dumpster located in the parking lot on West Cross Main from 8am to 2pm, open only to New Castle residents. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Tanner gave his monthly report. He is working on 6 properties. 4 have been completed and 2 are being followed up on.

There is a problem with waste carts being left at the curb and causing road hazards. Notice to remove the carts from the roadside will be placed on the next water bills and notices will also be placed on the cities webpage and facebook page.

Tanner advised that there was nothing to report for the fire department this month.

Regarding the Global Music Rights licensing issues, Attorney Clubb will take over.

Charlie advised that the festival committee has an event planned for each month, August through December. These will be held in the locker.

As there was no further business to be discussed, Commissioner Thompson made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

We adjourned the meeting at 6:50pm.