

May 2, 2022

The New Castle City Commission meeting was held on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 6pm. Present was Mayor Kurtz and Commissioners Thompson, Hay and Mitchell. Commissioner Sevier was absent due to the death of his mother. Also present was City Clerk Lynn Adams, Public Works Director Joey Bramblett, Asst. Director Vincent Bates, City Attorney Josh Clubb, Sabrina Doll from the NCVFD, Jeremy Rumpke of Rumpke Waste Management and Robb Hoff from the Henry County Local.

Mayor Kurtz called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to accept the minutes from all April meetings as presented. Commissioner Hay 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 Thompson seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Commissioners Thompson checked all bank balances using the online service.

Deputy Jamiel presented the activity report for the month of April. All together, 72 hours were logged for the City.

There are a few unpaid tax amounts and liens need to be filed on these.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to authorize the City Clerk to file all 2021 property tax liens. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Tony advised that the festival on the 2nd Saturday of June will have to be moved to portions of Court and Berry Streets since there is a wedding being held at the NC Baptist Church at the same time.

The repainting of the mural on the north side of town should begin festival day.

The City Clerk advised that one bid was received regarding the garbage franchise. The bid was received from Rumpke and was opened at City Hall by Lynn Adams on April 27, 2022 at 10am. Present at that time were Jeremy Rumpke and Public Works Dir. Joey Bramblett. The bid was copied and distributed to each Commissioner and Mayor Kurtz for review prior to tonight's meeting.

The current rate (in effect until June 30, 2022) is \$20.22. The bid designates the following rates:

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| 7/1/22 to 6/30/23 | \$24.50 |
| 7/1/23 to 6/30/24 | \$25.49 |
| 7/1/24 to 6/30/25 | \$26.47 |
| 7/1/25 to 6/30/26 | \$27.46 |

There was discussion.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to award the garbage franchise to Rumpke for the period of 7/1/22 to 6/30/24, with the option to automatically renew from 7/1/24 to 6/30/26, if both parties agree. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. It did carry unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance #22-03, AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SOLID WASTE PICKUP AND DISPOSAL SERVICES, FIXING CHARGES, RATES AND REGULATIONS. The Mayor seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #22-03.

There was discussion regarding raising the sewer treatment fee. The current rate is \$6.65 per 1,000 gallons of water. The CPI for the calendar year of 2021 was 7.5%. It was decided to raise the sewer treatment fee 2%. The debt. Service charge will remain the same, as will the water charges.

Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance #22-04, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY INCREASING THE RATE FOR SEWER TREATMENT FEE. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #22-04.

The amended budget for 21/22 was reviewed.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance #22-05, 21/22 AMENDED BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #22-05.

There was review of the proposed budget for the fiscal year 22/23.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have first reading of ORDINANCE #22-06, FISCAL YEAR 22-23 BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY. Commissioner Mitchell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #22-06.

Code Enforcement Officer Michael Ellis was not in attendance, nor did anyone receive any written or oral reports from him prior to the meeting.

Sabrina reported that the road blocks for Crusade will begin at the end of this month and the fish fry will be held on June 4th from 4 to 8.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26pm.