

COMMISSION MEETING

October 5, 2020

The New Castle City Commission meeting was held on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 6pm. Due to the Covid19 pandemic the meeting was held in the Locker Building to allow for social distancing. Present was Mayor Kurtz and Commissioners Mitchell, Thompson, Hay and Sevier. Also present was City Clerk Lynn Adams, City Attorney Josh Clubb, Public Works Director Joey Bramblett, Public Works Employee Vincent Bates and CPA Jeff Woods of Raisor, Zapp & Woods.

Mayor Kurtz called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to accept the minutes from all the September 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 September. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

No Deputies were able to attend tonight. Deputy Jamiel will drop off September's report to Lynn.

The sewer agreement with the Tingles has not been executed yet. The Mayor has called four times and left messages. He will continue in his efforts.

Attorney Clubb presented Resolution #20-03, addressing the correction/clarification to the Castle Creek annexation of 1979. There was review, the resolution included a detailed description and plat.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve and adopt Resolution #20-03, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A MODERN AND ACCURATE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF TERRITORY PREVIOUSLY ANNEXED BY ORDINANCE. The Mayor seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb read Resolution #20-03 in its entirety.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have second reading of Ordinance #20-06, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY REGULATING ITEMS THAT ARE ALLOWED ON PUBLIC SIDEWALKS IN THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT OF THE CITY. Commissioner Mitchel seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave second reading of Ordinance #20-06.3

Commissioner Hay made the motion to adopt Ordinance #20-06. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Mayor Kurtz advised that he is working on updating the "burn ordinance". He is working with Michael on this. He hopes to have information to Attorney Clubb in order to have a draft prepared for presentation at the November meeting.

Joey reported that he will be having his kidney transplant on the 20th of October. Once recovered he will be working from home for a while by phone and email. Vincent will be handling the day to day operations and Donnie Edsell can be called when needed.

Joey also advised that he thinks that the "re-connect" fee needs to be increased. It is currently \$25. He recommends \$40 but will check with neighboring cities to see what their fee is. Lynn will get info to Josh so he can draft an ordinance to be considered at the November meeting.

The hazardous conditions for walkers at the 4-way was discussed. It was thought that asking the State to reinstate the traffic light will go a long way to prevent a tragedy. Lynn will research the information as to the procedure to request this and send the info to the Commission via email. If directed to continue, she will have a letter drafted for presentation and consideration at the November meeting.

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

We adjourned the meeting at 7:15pm.