

June 4, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the New Castle City Commission was held on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 7pm at City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis Benham, Commissioners Mitchell, Kurtz and Gatewood. Also present was City Clerk Lynn Adams, City Attorney Josh Clubb, Public Works Director Scot Treece, Joe Durbin Code Enforcement Officer, Lorry Hansen Asst. Fire Chief, Deputy Josh Jamiel, Tammy Shaw of Landmark Newspapers, Magistrate Terri Cummings, Hugh McBurney and citizen Sein Davis.

Mayor Benham called the meeting to order.

The minutes from all the May meetings and the disbursements for May were reviewed. Commissioner Kurtz made a motion to approve the minutes and disbursements as recorded. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Josh Jamiel gave a report of activity for the month of May. Each of the three deputies logged 24 hours for the City.

Commissioner Kurtz made the motion to have second reading and adoption of Ordinance #18-02, A SUMMARY OF AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE CONTROL OF DOGS WITHIN THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY AND REPEALING PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. It did carry unanimously and Attorney Clubb gave second reading of the ordinance.

Commissioner Gatewood made the motion to have second reading and adoption of Ordinance #18-03, AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SOLID WASTE PICKUP AND DISPOSAL SERVICES FIXING CHARGES, RATES AND REGULATIONS. Commissioner Kurtz seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Attorney Clubb gave second reading of the ordinance.

Commissioner Gatewood made the motion to have second reading and adoption of Ordinance #18-04, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY INCREASING THE RATE FOR WATER SERVICE. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. It carried unanimously and Attorney Clubb gave second reading.

Commissioner Kurtz made the motion to have second reading and adoption of Ordinance #18-05, FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 AMENDED BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE. Commissioner Gatewood seconded the motion. It carried unanimously. Attorney Clubb gave second reading of Ordinance #18-05.

Commissioner Gatewood made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance #18-06, FISCAL YEAR 18/19 BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY. The Mayor seconded the motion which did carry unanimously. Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #18-06.

It is time for renewal of the contract with Jeff Thoke for the position of MSM/EDC. There was brief discussion.

Commissioner Gatewood made the motion to enter into a contract with Mr. Thoke for the fiscal year 18/19 as MSM/EDC at \$15 per hour for 20 hours or less per week. The Mayor seconded the motion. It did carry unanimously.

It is time for renewal of the contract with Joe Durbin for the position of CEO. There was brief discussion.

Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to enter into a contract with Mr. Durbin for the fiscal year 18/19 as Code Enforcement Officer at \$400 per month with an average of 5 hours per week. Commissioner Kurtz seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

The Mayor advised there is a new "youth" leadership class this year and their project is to place "welcome to henry county" signs on 4 of the major roads. They are seeking donations. There was discussion.

Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to donate \$300 for this project. Funds would be taken out of the 18/19 budget. Commissioner Kurtz seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

There will be a special meeting on Thursday, June 7th at 4:30pm at City Hall for the purpose of having second reading and adoption of an ordinance setting the 2018-2019 fiscal budget for the City.

If we are going to participate, beginning with July 1st, it will be time for the city to pay \$1,000 towards support of the Kentucky I71 Connect Economic Development program. The City did participate last year with the understanding the subject would be reviewed after one year to determine future involvement. It was decided to table this issue until the July meeting as more information from Jeff Thoke is needed in order to make a decision.

Commissioner Gatewood made the motion to have second reading and adoption of Ordinance #18-07, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE CALLED ZONING ORDINANCE FOR HENRY COUNTY, KENTUCKY. The Mayor seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Jeff Thoke could not attend tonight due to some health and family concerns.

Joe Durbin advised he would be attending a class sponsored by KLC on June 28th and 29th. There have been several properties in court on violations and so far the City has been supported. On June 13th there will be a second appearance for one violator and the first for another. He is mostly dealing with grass issues now. There are no parking issues at the present time.

Scot advised that the rehab project is all in the ground and now there is just the remaining clean-up and paving. The State will be paving the main roads. Regarding the sidewalk at the Baptist Church, it will be replaced and that project will be completed by the 15th. The City is having the alley way done at that time and Keith Jeffries is also participating.

Lorry advised that the fire department raised over \$11,800 for the Crusade for Children which is an increase of \$500. He also advised that the City fire truck is out of service. It needs 5 batteries and an auto charger. They need the city's financial help to make these repairs. This item will be addressed at the July meeting.

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

We adjourned at 8:02pm