

May 6, 2019

The regular meeting of the New Castle City Commission was held on Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:00pm at New Castle City Hall. Present were Mayor Bobby King and Commissioners Thompson, Kurtz, Mitchell and Sevier. Also present was City Clerk Lynn Adams, Public Works Director Scot Treece, Attorney Josh Clubb, CEO Joe Durbin, DED Tommie Tingle, Tammy Shaw of Landmark Newspapers and several citizens.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Sevier made the motion to approve the minutes and disbursements for the month of April. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Tommie advised that the terms of the Preservation Board members need to be assigned by the Commission.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion and Commissioner Kurtz seconded the motion appointing terms as follows:

Michelle Guthrie	2 years
Zak Yates	3 years
Corey Beatty	3 years
Dave Stahl	1 year
Phyllis Smith	2 years

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

There was discussion regarding a Code Enforcement Board. It was decided that this was not appropriate for the City of New Castle and no further action is to be taken on this matter.

There will be a public hearing at 6:45pm on June 3, 2019 regarding the 2019/2020 fiscal year budget for the City. It is not anticipated to spend any Road Aid Funds during the 19-20 fiscal year.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance 19-01, FISCAL YEAR 18/19 AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #19-01.

There was brief review of the proposed 19/20 fiscal year budget.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance #19-02, FISCAL YEAR 19/20 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY. Commissioner Kurtz seconded the motion and it did carry unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #19-02.

There was brief review of a proposed ordinance increasing water rates and the sewer treatment fee.

Commissioner Kurtz made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance #19-03, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE, KENTUCKY INCREASING THE RATES FOR WATER SERVICE AND SEWER TREATMENT FEE. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #19-03.

Health insurance and other employee insurance benefits were briefly reviewed.

Commissioner Mitchell made the motion to provide health insurance and other insurance coverages to the City employees thru Barnes and Associates with Humana and AFLAC, effective July 1, 2019. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Tommie reported that the Preservation Board has recommended that the City pursue a zone change for the downtown commercial district. There was discussion.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to direct Attorney Clubb to contact HC Planning and Zoning and move forward with pursuing the zone change. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Tommie also advised that a blanket license is needed for musical events sponsored by the City. KLC can provide this license but the cost is unknown. It does cover 98% of live music. Attorney Clubb is to pursue this matter with KLC to obtain the total cost. If this is feasible, Tommie has some musical event ideas. It was also reported that the locker floor project is complete and coming soon to the website, drown footage and video of New Castle.

Joe stated he continues to work on new developing dog issues and a few grass problems, although not as many as last year. He will speak with the Judge and County Attorney on how the City must proceed in order to clean up the property in Castle Creek Subdivision. Currently the fine is increasing \$12,000 monthly. The City Attorney may have to file a petition with the courts before the City can clean-up the property.

Scot advised that there are a few "grass areas" to be addressed by the contractors of the rehab project. They just did their walk thru punch list under the 12 month warranty. He also reported that the school zone signs on Church Street have been installed.

Mike Hilliard, ER Management Director for the county presented a review of the "stop the bleed" initiative and a brief overview of emergency management.

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

We adjourned at 7:58pm.