

October 4, 2021

The New Castle City Commission meeting was held on Monday, October 4, 2021 at 6pm. Present was Mayor Kurtz and Commissioners Thompson, Sevier and Hay. Commissioner Mitchell was unable to attend as he is recovering from a broken hip. Also present was City Clerk Lynn Adams, City Attorney Josh Clubb, Public Works Director Joey Bramblett, Asst. Director Vincent Bates, Deputy Josh Jamiel and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Ellis.

Mayor Kurtz called the meeting to order.

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

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve all disbursements, deposits and transfers for the month of September. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Commissioners Thompson reviewed all balances in city held accounts using the online banking service.

The gutter at the locker should be installed within the next couple of weeks. All other work has been done.

Regarding the ARPA funds, Joey advised that the RFQ for engineering services will be in the Courier on November 10th. There will be 21 days for submittals, which are due by closing on December 1st. Commissioner Hay, Mayor Kurtz and Joey will grade the qualifications and a contract for engineering services will be awarded to a submitting firm at the January meeting. The Mayor reported that the "premium pay" will require further paperwork which will be completed in the next few months.

There was discussion as to when to hold "trick or treat". Commissioner Thompson made the motion to hold the event from 6pm to 8pm on Saturday the 30th of October. Commissioner Sevier seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to have first reading of Ordinance #21-07, SUMMARY OF AN ORDINANCE CALLED ZONING ORDINANCE FOR HENRY COUNTY, EMINENCE, CAMPBELLSBURG, PLEASUREVILLE, NEW CASTLE AND SMITHFIELD, KENTUCKY. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Attorney Clubb gave first reading of Ordinance #21-07.

Deputy Jamiel gave the report for the month of September.

Michael, CEO, advised that he and the Mayor got together and revamped some procedure/policy, changing from 10 days to remedy the nuisance to 5 and sending duplicate letters of violation to renters and landlords. These procedural changes are much more effective and results are being seen.

Joey gave an update of Road Aid Funds and how they are used for street expenses only. Tax funds are not used to pave city streets, only these funds and then not every year.

Michael gave the fire department report.

The Mayor is going to look into information regarding America Flags for the City to possibly place around town in the spring.

As there was no further business to be taken care of, Commissioner Thompson made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Sevier seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

We adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm.