

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF NEW CASTLE
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN HALL – 201 DELAWARE STREET – NEW CASTLE, DE
TUESDAY – JULY 9, 2002 – 7:00 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Castagno
Councilman Balascio
Councilman DiAngelo
Councilwoman Dr. Miller

Absent: Councilman Reese

Also Present: Janet Carlin, Treasurer; Robert Martin, City Administrator; Senator Dori Connor.

Mr. Castagno requested a change of the agenda to present Resolution on volunteerism.

Mr. Castagno presented Ms. Vera Atkinson-Skinner of the Association Lutherans for Lutheran Brotherhood (AAL-LB) a Resolution to recognize volunteerism and financial support of our "Park Redevelopment Program".

Mr. Vera Atkinson-Skinner wishes to thank-you for letting AAL-LB help with your park.

APPROVED BY DATE OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police Department Report	June 2002
Building Official Report	June 2002
Finance Department Report	June 2002

Mr. Balascio requested a change on building cost report to include documentation of the number of informed inspections.

Dr. Miller moved reports be accepted as submitted. It was seconded by Mr. DiAngelo. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report read by Janet Carlin, Treasurer.

Dr. Miller moved to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Balascio. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Public Hearing	June 11, 2002
Regular Council Meeting	June 11, 2002
Public Hearing	June 21, 2002
Special Council Meeting	June 21, 2002

Mr. DiAngelo questioned action taken on the fence around the Wharf.

Mr. Martin stated a six foot chain link fence will be installed this week.

Mr. Castango asked if the City had follow-up on Mr. Narvaez' (William Penn Square) letter requesting a cut over.

Mr. Martin said he referred the request to Del Dot and they are reviewing the request.

Mr. Castagno noted the Mr. DiAngelo is requesting a Public Hearing in August 2002 concerning stop signs.

Mr. DiAngelo motioned to approve the minutes by date. It was seconded by Mr. Balascio. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Castagno read a letter from Buttonwood Civic Association (BCA). Restoration Committee's formal request to repeal Resolution #2002-08 approving the sub-division of Buttonwood School.

Dr. Miller – Council offered to table Resolution at the last meeting. BCA called for a vote. This is a difficulty that must be resolved between Trustees and BCA.

Mr. Castagno will send a letter to BCA informing them that they must deal with Trustees.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

Mr. Castagno did a review of the protocol requesting no profanity.

BUSINESS FROM THE MAYOR

None.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT

None.

BUSINESS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

A letter from Herlihy, Harker, and Kavanaugh notifying that the annexation of Parkway Gravel, Inc. had been recorded on June 25, 2002 in the office of the Recorder of Deeds.

Department of Transportation has sent publication "Delaware Transportation Fact 2001" which is available in the City office.

Department of Transportation correspondence noting amount of street aide which will be available to the City of New Castle.

Mr. Castagno commented on first of the Mobile Planning Session which was held at Boothhurst at 7:00 p.m.. Was well attended with good input.

There will be five additional meetings on consecutive Monday at 7:00 p.m. at different locations.

These will provide a punch list of things to follow-up.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3rd and final reading of Ordinance #416 amending the Zoning Code of the City of New Castle to zone as Industrial Office Park (IOP) and Open Space and Recreation (OS&R) the 155.1 acres of land contiguous to the City known as the Parkway Gravel, Inc. Parcel.

Mr. Castagno read Ordinance #416, the 3rd and final reading.

1st and 2nd reading of Ordinance #406 Right of Way for the City of New Castle.

Mr. Castagno requested tabling Ordinance #406. Reason for tabling Municipal Service Commission needs to review Ordinance.

Dr. Miller moved to table Ordinance #406. It was seconded by Mr. DiAngelo. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #2002-12 accepting new FOP Agreement for period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2005.

Mr. Castagno read Resolution #2002-12.

Dr. Miller motioned to approve Resolution #2002-12. It was seconded by Mr. DiAngelo. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Ennio DiAlessandro – Challenged Ordinance #407, Lines and Grades, for every small construction (steps, shed, or any small structure) adopted County Zoning Code should use the standard 480 square feet.

Mr. Castagno – We have always had a City Engineer. Council could not find a suitable square foot age would be for entire City.

Mr. Martin – For a minor review the Engineer will cost about \$200.00.

Ennio DiAlessandro – For new steps that cost about \$50.00, the Engineer costs \$200.00. We should use County standard. Has been waiting six weeks for a permit. City is going to cost him a client.

Dr. Miller – Does individual homeowner bear the cost?

Ennio DiAlessandro – We have a Building Code in place. We should use it, 0 square feet, regardless of size is ridiculous. The County's 480 square feet should be adequate for the entire City.

Charlotte Houben – Engineer on contract or paid by hour?

Mr. Martin – With the new contract there will be a new rate.

Steve Payter – Asked if there is to be another Council meeting this month. Challenged length of time for posting notification of the last Friday meeting.

Marvin Johnson – The Resolution concerning vehicles parked on lawns. Annoyed with a boat parked in his neighborhood.

Mr. Martin – Have you called police? Will look into this issue. Notify police chief.

Dr. Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Mr. DiAngelo. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Kate Toner
City Clerk