

**City of New Castle Delaware
Public Hearing at Town Hall
201 Delaware Street – New Castle
Wednesday, July 16, 2014, 6:15 p.m.**

Call to order: 6:15 p.m.

Roll Call:

Councilperson Megginson
Councilperson Cochran
Council President Ratchford
Councilperson Petty
Councilperson Vannucci

Also present:

William Barthel, City Administrator
Janet Carlin, City Treasurer

Public Hearing Concerning Ordinance 496; An Ordinance to amend Section 94-5 of the Code of the City of New Castle to modify the definition of “Wildlife” to include feral cats.

President Ratchford asked for comments from Council.

Councilperson Megginson noted that a member of the City Board of Health, a physician, brought the situation to the attention of the City. She reports that feeding the feral cats is dangerous as it attracts other undesirable wildlife. It is a serious public health and safety issue that should be addressed.

Councilperson Petty asked if the carry-in, carry-out park policy had cut down on the feral cats in the park. Councilperson Megginson said there did not seem to be a difference.

Councilperson Vannucci said people feed the cats in the park and in other places.

President Ratchford asked for comments from the Public.

No comments from public.

The motion to adjourn was made by Councilperson Megginson, seconded by Councilperson Cochran and passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Burgmuller
Council Secretary, City of New Castle