

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL
VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING**

MINUTES

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

- A.** The meeting was called to order by President Hartley-Nagle at 6:32 p.m. A moment of silence was recognized; members of Council performed the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present

William J. Bell
David Carter
John J. Cartier
Dee Durham
Karen Hartley-Nagle
Penrose Hollins
Janet T. Kilpatrick
Timothy P. Sheldon
George Smiley
Jea P. Street
David L. Tackett
Kenneth R. Woods

Absent

Elisa Diller

B. Approval of Minutes:

- Councilman Smiley moved to approve the January 26, 2021 council meeting minutes, it was seconded by Councilwoman Kilpatrick, and all were in favor.

C. Announcements:

- Councilman Bell announced that, at the appropriate time, he will lift Ordinance 20-122 from the table.

D. Introduction of Ordinances:

21-013: TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 40 (“UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE”), ARTICLE 31 (“PROCEDURES AND ADMINISTRATION”), SECTION 40.31.120. (“TEXT AMENDMENTS”) REGARDING THE PROCESS FOR TEXT AMENDMENTS. Introduced by: Ms. Durham, Mr. Carter, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

E. Reports from Select and Special Committees:

- Councilwoman Kilpatrick reported that the Land Use Committee met on 2/2/21 and received an update on the I-95 road work project from DelDOT.
- Councilman Bell reported that the Public Safety Committee met on 2/9/21 and discussed an item on tonight’s agenda, received an update on Emergency Communications, and discussed the NCCPD response to unusual circumstances.
- Councilman Cartier reported that the Finance Committee met on 2/9/21 and discussed items on tonight’s agenda and reviewed grant requests.
- Councilman Sheldon reported that the Personnel Subcommittee met on 2/2/21 and received Unconscious Bias training.

F. Consent Calendar:

R21-017: CONGRATULATING THE OFFICE OF FINANCE FOR EARNING THE DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL BUDGET SUMMARY FOR 31 CONSECUTIVE YEARS.

Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

R21-018: NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL IS GRATEFUL TO AND APPLAUDS PRESIDENT JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR. FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP IN RECOMMITTING THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PARIS AGREEMENT. Introduced by: Ms. Hartley-Nagle, All of Council

Consent Calendar

Yes: Bell, Carter, Cartier, Durham, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Woods

Absent: Diller

G. Presentations:

- Council President Hartley-Nagle presented R21-018.
- Malika Yates spoke regarding R21-018.

H. Consideration of Resolutions Removed from the Consent Calendar and Other Resolutions: None

I. Consideration of Ordinances:

°21-010: TO AMEND THE PAY PLAN AND RATES OF PAY FOR CLASSIFIED SERVICE EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE DELAWARE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COUNCIL 81, AFSCME, AFFILIATE LOCAL 459 FOR THE POSITION OF BARN MANAGER. Introduced by: Ms. Hartley-Nagle

--It was moved and seconded that °21-010 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration.

Ordinance 21-010—Adopted

Yes: Bell, Carter, Cartier, Durham, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Woods

Absent: Diller

°21-011: TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF GRANVILLE LIGHTS WITH 12FT ALUMINUM POLES IN THE SUMMIT POINTE SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN THE PENCADER HUNDRED AND FOR A LIGHT TAX BASED ON THE COST OF STREET LIGHTS. Introduced by: Mr. Carter

--It was moved and seconded that °21-011 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration.

Ordinance 21-011—Adopted

Yes: Bell, Carter, Cartier, Durham, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Woods

Absent: Diller

°21-012: TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF ARLINGTON STREET LIGHTS IN THE WHISPERING WOODS SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN ST GEORGES HUNDRED AND FOR A LIGHT TAX BASED ON THE COST OF STREET LIGHTS. Introduced by: Mr. Bell

--It was moved and seconded that °21-012 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration.

Ordinance 20-012—Adopted

Yes: Bell, Carter, Cartier, Durham, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Woods

Absent: Diller

°20-122: (STATUS: TABLED) AMEND THE FY2021 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED POSITION COUNT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY BY FIFTEEN POLICE OFFICER POSITIONS TO ACCOMMODATE THE UPCOMING 48TH NEW CASTLE COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY. Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Mr. Street

--It was moved and seconded that °20-122 be lifted from the table, read by title only, and placed before Council for its consideration.

Ordinance 20-122—Adopted

Yes: Bell, Carter, Cartier, Durham, Hartley-Nagle, Kilpatrick, Sheldon, Smiley, Tackett, Woods

No: Street

Present: Hollins

Absent: Diller

J. Time Sensitive Congratulatory/Honorary Resolutions:

R21-019: HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF CHIEF EUGENE PETTY AND EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. Introduced by: Mr Smiley, All of Council

--It was moved and seconded that R21-019 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration.

Resolution 21-019—Adopted

Yes: Bell, Carter, Cartier, Durham, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Woods

Absent: Diller

K. Introduction/Consideration of Emergency Ordinances: None

L. Public Comment/Other:

- Councilman Street spoke regarding New Castle County Police
- Councilman Hollins spoke regarding New Castle County Police and policing throughout the country.

M. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further testimony, a motion was made by Councilman Smiley to adjourn, it was seconded by Councilwoman Kilpatrick, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

A recording of the meeting is available upon request.

Respectfully submitted by Anthony deFiore, Legislative Assistant.