

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**Louis L. Redding City/County Building**  
**City/County Chambers**  
**800 French Street; Wilmington, DE 19801**

**MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 27, 2018**

- A. The meeting was called to order by President Hartley-Nagle at 6:30 p.m.  
The Prayer was silent; members of Council remained standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Present

John J. Cartier  
Elisa Diller  
Karen Hartley-Nagle  
Penrose Hollins  
Janet T. Kilpatrick  
Timothy P. Sheldon  
George Smiley  
Jea P. Street  
David L. Tackett  
Robert S. Weiner  
Kenneth R. Woods

Absent

J. William Bell\*  
William Powers, Jr.\*

\*Councilman Bell and Councilman Powers arrived at 6:45 during public comment on R18-037.

- B. **Approval of Minutes:**
- Councilman Smiley moved to approve the February 13, 2018 Council meeting minutes, it was seconded, and all were in favor.
- C. **Announcements:**
- Councilman Smiley announced that °17-070 would remain tabled.
- D. **Introduction of Ordinances:**
- **°18-014: AMEND THE FY2018 CAPITAL BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$100,000.00 FROM THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT, \$91,939.36 FROM THE RECORDER OF DEEDS TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT, AND \$25,000.00 FROM THE CLERK OF THE PEACE TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT, TOTALING \$216,939.36, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, INFORMATION SYSTEMS EXPANSION II CAPITAL PROJECT. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier**
  - **°18-015: TO AUTHORIZE THE ABATEMENT OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAXES ON THE PROPERTY AT 283 CHIPPENHAM LANE, HOCKESSIN, TAX PARCEL NUMBER 0801810022. Introduced by: Ms. Kilpatrick**
- E. **Reports from Select and Special Committees:**
- Councilwoman Diller reported that the Boards and Commission Sub-Committee met on 2/20/18 and discussed items on tonight's agenda, interviewed a candidate for Board of Adjustment and received an update on the Board of Adjustment legislation.
  - Councilwoman Kilpatrick reported that the Land Use Committee met on 2/20/18 and received an update on the Comprehensive Plan.

- Councilman Smiley reported that the Finance Committee met on 2/27/18 and discussed an item on tonight's agenda, approved grant requests, had a presentation by UBS and received an update from the Executive branch.
- Councilman Hollins reported that the Community Services Committee met on 2/27/18 and discussed an item on tonight's agenda and had a presentation/discussion on the Elsmere Library.
- Councilwoman Kilpatrick reported that the Personnel Sub-Committee met on 2/27/18 and had an executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

**F. Consent Calendar:** None

**G. Presentations:** None

**H. Consideration of Resolutions Removed from the Consent Calendar and Other Resolutions:**

- **R18-036: CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KELLIE TETRICK TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier**  
 --It was moved and seconded that R18-036 be read by title only and placed before Council.  
 --Councilman Smiley moved to table R18-036. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Resolution 18-036--Tabled**

- **R18-037: OPPOSING THE CLOSURE OF THE ELSMERE PUBLIC LIBRARY. Introduced by: Mr. Woods, Mr. Cartier, Ms. Diller, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Street, Mr. Tackett, Mr. Weiner, Mr. Bell, Mr. Powers, Ms. Kilpatrick**  
 --It was moved and seconded that R18-037 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration and adoption.  
 -- Public Comment: Eric Thompson (Mayor of Elsmere), Steve Berg, Carrie Cooper, Eileen Boyle, Michelle Ievoli and Fred Carlson.

**Resolution 18-037 -- Adopted**

Yes: Bell, Cartier, Diller, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Powers, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Weiner, Woods

- **R18-038: CONSENTING TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM E. BROOKS TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. Introduced by: Ms. Diller, Mr. Weiner**  
 --It was moved and seconded that R18-038 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration and adoption.

**Resolution 18-038 -- Adopted**

Yes: Bell, Cartier, Diller, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Powers, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Weiner, Woods

- **R18-039: CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RICHARD FARMER TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. Introduced by: Ms. Diller, Mr. Weiner**  
 ---It was moved and seconded that R18-039 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration and adoption.

**Resolution 18-039 -- Adopted**

Yes: Bell, Cartier, Diller, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Powers, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Weiner, Woods

**I. Consideration of Ordinances**

- **°18-006: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$92,909.61 IN ACTUAL PROGRAM INCOME TO THE DOWN PAYMENT REVOLVING LOANS GRANT TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES. Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Ms. Diller**  
 --It was moved and seconded that °18-006 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration and adoption.

**Ordinance 18-006--Adopted**

Yes: Bell, Cartier, Diller, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Powers, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Weiner, Woods

- **°18-007: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$103,500 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE-SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE FUND (SLEAF), TO THE SLEAF – 250 BALLISTIC HELMETS GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY. Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Mr. Street**  
--It was moved and seconded that °18-007 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration and adoption.

**Ordinance 18-007--Adopted**

Yes: Bell, Cartier, Diller, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Powers, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Weiner, Woods

**°18-008: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$100,000 FROM NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL TO THE 2018 NEW CASTLE COUNTY SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES.**

--It was moved and seconded that °18-004 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration and adoption.

**Ordinance 18-008--Adopted**

Yes: Bell, Cartier, Diller, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Powers, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Weiner, Woods

- **°18-009: AMEND THE FY2018 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: REDUCE THE GRANTS AND FIXED CHARGES BUDGET LINE ITEM OF COUNTY COUNCIL TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE 2018 NEW CASTLE COUNTY SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT GRANT. Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street, Mr. Smiley**  
--It was moved and seconded that °18-009 be read by title only and placed before Council for its consideration and adoption.

**Ordinance 18-009--Adopted**

Yes: Bell, Cartier, Diller, Hartley-Nagle, Hollins, Kilpatrick, Powers, Sheldon, Smiley, Street, Tackett, Weiner, Woods

- **°17-070: (STATUS: TABLED) TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 14 (“FINANCE AND TAXATION”) REGARDING THE PROCESS FOR ABATEMENT OF CERTAIN TAXES AND PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley**  
-- °17-070 remained on the table.

**J. Time Sensitive Congratulatory/Honorary Resolutions:** None

**K. Introduction/Consideration of Emergency Ordinances:** None

**L. Public Comment/Other:** None

**M. Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further testimony, a motion was made by Councilman Smiley to adjourn, it was seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

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Karen Hartley-Nagle  
Council President  
New Castle County

*A recording of the meeting is available upon request.  
Respectfully submitted by Tara Finnigan, Deputy Clerk of Council*