

Wilmington City Council met in regular session on Thursday, May 16th, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. with President Mark McKay presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call: J. McKay, present; Snarr, present; Fickert, present; Purkey, present; Liermann, present; Swindler, present; Williams, present.

Ptl. Bower was present as Sergeant at Arms.

Council participated in the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

President M. McKay asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

Motion by K. Swindler and seconded by J. McKay to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion passed.
Agenda approved as presented.

President M. McKay asked if there were any changes to the minutes.

Motion by K. Swindler and seconded by K. Fickert to approve May 2nd minutes as presented.
Motion passed.
Minutes approved as presented.

MAYOR

Mayor Stanforth read Relay for Life proclamation. He also praised the water and wastewater departments for the completion of a project to clear a water main. He read praise from the Superintendent Rick Schaffer. Additionally, Mayor Stanforth read praise regarding police assistance to an apartment fire.

Stanforth stated Peace Officer's Memorial Day was very well attended and he thanked David Lieurance for putting it all together. He stated the wine walk would take place Friday but there are no tickets available. He stated that Sleep in Heavenly Peace would be having a bunkbed build on Saturday on Airborne Road.

Stanforth announced they would need help replacing flags at the cemetery on May 26th at 8am. He also stated Little Hearts Big Smiles 5k would be on the 18th at 10am. Lil' Traders would be having a grand opening and ribbon cutting specializing in children's clothing. The veteran's banners are going up and anyone interested in getting one made should contact Jen Woodland. Another food truck will be at People's Bank on Monday. President M. McKay asked if the flower baskets were up downtown. Clerk M. Miller stated they were.

President M. McKay also mentioned the Castle Park build still needs volunteers.

AUDITOR

Auditor Hollingsworth was absent.

SERVICE AND SAFETY DIRECTOR

Director Shidaker thanked Mayor Stanforth for reading the praise to the departments. He spoke about the Luther Warren Peace Path and stated the city received \$938,000 in capital bill money. B. Shidaker also stated he went to Lebanon to present again for additional funds. B. Shidaker thanked RPC Executive Director Taylor Stuckert and

Maria Burell in the Service and Safety office for their work, stating he is extremely grateful. B. Shidaker stated the city was awarded an additional \$1,091,600 in grant money to fund the project. There is another grant they are going to pursue and he's confident this project can be funded on grants alone.

He briefly discussed the Caesar Creek contract and the meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers, Steve Stivers and ODNR. B. Shidaker stated the meeting went very well and starting to feel more like negotiations. Mayor Stanforth stated he was cautiously optimistic.

J. McKay asked if there has been any news on the [cemetery] flags. B. Shidaker noted it's currently at a standstill witnesses have been consistent and he's hopeful they will have more information in the future.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION

City Revitalization Committee – Chairperson T. Williams had no report but reminded people to apply for the [CRC] grant money.

City Services Committee – Chairperson B. Liermann had no report.

Finance Committee – Chairperson K. Fickert had two pieces of legislation.

K. Fickert introduced O-19-23 establishing a new fund. K. Fickert explained this is for the Cemetery to begin to accept credit card payments and expressed how happy she was this service would now be offered.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to give the first reading by title only on Ordinance No. O-19-23 Establishing a new fund [Cemetery- Credit Card].

All yeas. 7 yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third readings on the Ordinance.

Roll Call; 7 yeas.

Motion Passes.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to pass the Ordinance as read.

Roll Call; 7 yeas.

Motion passes.

President of Council declared Ordinance No. O-19-23 passed as read.

K. Fickert introduced O-19-24 making supplemental appropriations from the Street Maintenance and Repair Fund to "Property/Casualty Insurance" the sum of \$44.49 and from the General Fund to "Data Processing Service" the sum of \$5,000.00

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to give the first reading by title only on Ordinance No. O-19-24 Making supplemental appropriations.

All yeas. 7 yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third readings on the Ordinance.

Roll Call; 7 yeas.

Motion Passes.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to pass the Ordinance as read.

Roll Call; 7 yeas.

Motion passes.

President of Council declared Ordinance No. O-19-24 passed as read.

Judiciary Committee – Chairperson M. Purkey had no action items, but opened the floor for a Trailer Parking Discussion and summarized the purpose of opening the matter to council. Purkey summarized the current law for the proper parking of trailers. He also stated he met with Taylor Stuckert and asked for ideas for this issue, including changing the zoning. M. Purkey stated he wanted to find out what would be appropriate to do, as a council, to alleviate this issue. Taylor Stuckert had recommended a 30 foot setback from the right-of-way as one of the options. K. Fickert stated her concern is the people in her neighborhood who have trailers and RV's and they are unable to park behind their property, so they end up in driveways and on roads.

Ptl. Bower stated some of the problems they encounter are the parked vehicles and trailers interfering with trash pick-up. K. Fickert asked about the amount of complaints that come in for RV's, trailers, and boats. M. Miller stated they are received frequently, mostly about driveway parking. She also stated once you begin to make exceptions for parking trailers and RV's, you end up allowing all types, no matter what condition they are in. Ptl. Bower also stated the thefts from RV's and boats are currently a huge problem as well as visibility.

K. Swindler stated she would like to ask for more public input from both sides before moving forward. She recommended publicizing the event and have more information about complaints being reported. K. Swindler also stated this was all new to her, and she would like to make sure we don't try to fix a problem that is not a problem for the majority of other citizens.

K. Swindler asked that the code be updated and cleaned up and she also recommended inviting more people from the public to add ideas to the discussion. M. Purkey state he would like Council feedback and would schedule a public hearing. He stated he will work with B. Rudduck to clean up the language. K. Swindler stated a public discussion in a Judiciary Committee meeting might fit the purpose better as well. M. Purkey stated going forward they will try to find a solution.

Solid Waste/Recycling Committee- Chairperson J. McKay had no report.

Wastewater/Sewer Committee - Chairperson M. Snarr had no report.

Water Committee – Chairperson K. Swindler had no report. Thanked water department for their hard work clearing the line.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

A motion was made by J. McKay and seconded by T. Williams to accept the Auditor Treasurer Report and the Hotel Lodging Tax Report.

Motion passed.

Report accepted as presented.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

Tracey Hopkins of 780 W. Truesdell Street asked what the total projected budget for the bike trail. B. Shidaker stated the most current estimate was \$2,022,601.00, which is why they are applying for the 3rd grant.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by B. Liermann.

President M. McKay declared meeting adjourned.

Council adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

President of Council

Clerk