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## Downtown Business Association welcomes candidates

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The first three guests were county commissioner candidate Morgan Boyd, mayoral candidate Chris Frye and city council candidate Lawrence Williams. "We wish all the candidates luck. We are in the process of rebranding the DBA and are pleased to have facilitated such a fruitful discussion surrounding the downtown," said Pat Amabile, owner of Shipping Depot+ and president of the DBA.

The Downtown Business Association of New Castle is a collection of stakeholders who actively collaborate to create a vibrant and thriving community in its urban core.

The association serves as a networking opportunity, source of education, united voice for advocacy, and shared marketing.

It engages in activities which promote a healthy retail and service climate, as well as, a downtown that is clean, green, and safe. For a message from the DBA President visit the Community Partners & Resources page on the Lawrence County Regional Chamber of Commerce website.

To become a member, visit the Lawrence County Regional Chamber of Commerce at 325 E. Washington St., New Castle, Pa. 16101, call (724) 658-1488, or e-mail <a href="mailto:dba4newcastle@gmail.com">dba4newcastle@gmail.com</a>. Non-members are welcome to attend the series.