

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON APRIL 28, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL DAVE JOHNSON PRESIDING. MR. JOHNSON OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: MR. ART CICCONETTI
MS. SANDRA COX
MR. JOEL DAY
MR. SAM HITCHCOCK
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON
MR. JIM LOCKER
MR. ROB MAURER.

THE MINUTES OF APRIL 14, 2003 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Petition for annexation filed by Nancy Dietz, Barbara Cohee, Lynn R. Padro, Trustee, Charles L. Tinker, III, Robert R. Tinker, as individuals of 20 acres more or less in Goshen Township.
2. Treasurer's Summary of work completed from January 1 thru April 25, 2003.
3. Salary Committee meeting minutes of April 14, 2003.
4. Finance Committee meeting minutes of April 14, 2003.
5. Planning Commission meeting minutes of April 9, 2003.
6. Tuscora Park Board meeting minutes of April 23, 2003.
7. A letter dated April 13, 2003 from residents of Third Dr. N.W. expressing concern over the condition of their street.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from April 15 through April 28, 2003. Reported that on April 21 he attended the New Philadelphia Board of Education meeting and he read a Proclamation recognizing the New Philadelphia QT Squad for being "Number1" in the State.

SERVICE DIRECTORMR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that his office has been extremely busy issuing building permits. Reported that the Sidewalk Replacement Program is doing exceptionally well, and the deadline for applications is May 1. Relinquished the floor to General Services Superintendent Fred Neff who reported on a citywide cleanup to be held the week of May 19-23. Mr. Espenschied relinquished the floor to Building Inspector Bill Richesson, who reported meeting with the Southeastern Legal System to discuss the city's housing code. He reported that he has been busy checking on the numerous building permits.

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM NO REPORT

AUDITOR MS. BETH GUNDY

Reported that local government funds could be cut approximately \$54,000 for July 2003.

TREASURER MR. MIKE TAYLOR ABSENT NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that the property on East High Avenue could be demolished as soon as the deed is transferred. Reported that he has been contacted by Twila Bernard, and she has had her property boarded up and some of the trash is being removed. Mr. Johnson reviewed the steps to be taken before a property is torn down, working with the United States Constitution, Ohio Constitution, State and City law. Ms. Cox asked the status of Ordinance 7-2003, the Luikart annexation. Mr. Johnson said he has met with Goshen Township Trustees and is now putting together the proper language for a method to handle all future annexations.

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE MS. PAULINE WYRIE

Reported that a new brochure has been made and will be available soon. Reported that Art on the Square will be held May 9-10. Reported that 82 new American flags and poles will be installed soon.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet May 14, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. in the Police Station Conference Room.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Will meet May 6, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers

AIRPORT COMMISSION MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting April 8, 2003. Fuel sales, hangar rent, and Airport Restaurant sales checks were received.

PARK BOARD MR. ART CICONETTI

Reported meeting April 23, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the Park. A possible access road to the new band shell was discussed. It was reported that fireworks would be held July 5, and it will not be possible to hold graduation ceremonies on the football field this year due to work being done there.

HEALTH BOARD. MS. SANDRA COX NO REPORT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. MS. SANDRA COX NO REPORT

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE MR. SAM HITCHCOCK

Will meet May 12 to discuss the mutual aid pact with Dover and prisoner billing for the city jail.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.MR. JOEL DAY

Reported meeting tonight to discuss changes in the city’s sidewalk specifications and the sidewalk replacement program. Residents of North Broadway wish to install a brick sidewalk in front of their home instead of concrete. The Committee voted not to change any specifications in the current ordinance. Mr. Johnson assigned the letter from the residents on Third Dr. N.W.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEEMR.GEORGE HOUSTON NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned a proposal from Shell Energy Service Company for an aggregation program for the city.

CONTACT COMMITTEE.MR. ART CICCONE

Reported that the next Bi-Centennial meeting will be held April 30, 2003

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. ROB MAURER NO REPORT

VISITOR’S COMMENTS: NONE

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 7-2003 An ordinance to accept the application by Mark G. and Brenda I. Luikart for the annexation of certain territory in Goshen Township, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, and to establish Residential zoning of the same. (7th Reading)

Ms. Cox made a motion to table this ordinance. Mr. Hitchcock seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance tabled.
- 18-2003 An ordinance to authorize additional payment to the Mayor for health insurance cost, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Locker, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 19-2003 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to authorize the New Philadelphia Police Department to hold their annual police auction on May 23, 2003 at 5:00 p.m., and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

Mr. Locker made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Maurer. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

Mr. Locker made a motion to vote on passage, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 20-2003 An ordinance to repeal Codified Ordinance 143.01 – Emergency Ambulance Service, Subsection (d)(3), and to enact new Codified Ordinance Section 143.01 Emergency Ambulance Service, Subsection (d)(3), of the Codified Ordinances for the City of new Philadelphia, Ohio and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- 23-2003 An ordinance to authorize the City of New Philadelphia to enter into a contract with the Tuscarawas County Commissioners and the Tuscarawas County Sheriff’s Office for the Housing of

inmates in the Tuscarawas County Jail and payment of housing costs to the Tuscarawas County Commissioners and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:

7-2003 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to oppose any add-on taxation in any form to cable franchise fees charged by cable providers to the citizens of Ohio as contemplated to be enacted by the Governor of the State of Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

8-2003 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, to oppose any action by the Tuscarawas County Board of Elections to further reduce the number of precincts within the City of New Philadelphia, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Locker. Mr. Houston said any further decrease in the number of precincts would be a definite hardship for the citizens and would result in overcrowding at the polls, and he urged all council members to pass it. Ms. Cox agreed. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

9-2003 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to notify the Tuscarawas County Commissioners of utility services that the City of New Philadelphia can make available to the annexation presently offered by Nancy Dietz, Barbara Cohee, Lynn R. Padro, Trustee, Charles L. Tinker III, and Robert R. Tinker as required by Chapter 709.031 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:15 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED May 12, 2003

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____