

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MAY 29, 2008 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL JOEL DAY PRESIDING. MR. DAY OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: MR. ROBERT CONNER
MS. SANDY COX
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER
MR. JIM LOCKER
MR. ROB MAURER
MS. WINNIE WALKER

MR. HOUSTON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MS. COX SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 12, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING. MR. CONNER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Safety, Health, and Service Committee meeting minutes of May 8, 2008.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT.....MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that the Board of Control met and awarded the landfill contract to Kimble for a 3-year agreement. Reported that no bids were received for police cruisers because there were no available 2008 models; therefore, the city will have to wait until 2009 models are available. Reported that he recently attended the FOP Memorial Service, and 4 city police officers were recognized for exemplary job performance. Reported that the Tuscarawas Valley Safety Council recognized the City of New Philadelphia for no lost-time accidents from April-December 2007. Reported that New Philadelphia was the host site for the Southeast Ohio Wastewater Association meeting, and commended the Wastewater employees for conducting tours and planning the event. Reported that he attended the groundbreaking ceremony on May 15 for the new Performing Arts building at Kent State Tuscarawas.

SERVICE DIRECTOR MR. JIM ZUCAL

Reported that 20 letters have been sent to property owners with high grass. Reported that he has accepted a position on the CIC Design Review Board for the Hi-Tech Park. Reported that the 2008 paving list is being evaluated. Informed Council that this year's CDBG will be for curbs, storm sewers, and sidewalks on the north side of the 200 block of Fair Avenue NW. Reported that pothole patching is ongoing.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Informed Council that the Civil Service Examination was administered recently for a captain in the Fire Department, and results are forthcoming.

AUDITOR. MS. BETH GUNDY

Informed Council that the State Auditors will be here mid-June and finish by the end of August.

TREASURER MR. DAVE JOHNSON ABSENT NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MIKE JOHNSON ABSENT NO REPORT

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Will meet June 10 at 1:00 P.M.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MR. JIM ZUCAL

Reported that the Board met and granted 3 items. The next meeting will be June 10 at 5:00 P.M.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER NO REPORT

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting May 21. The Board approved an agreement with AEP for a staging area for equipment in case of power outages in the City. It was announced that fireworks will be held on July 5 as part of the First Town Days Festival. Reported that new playground equipment has been installed at the Park, and is quite an asset to the Park. The new Putt-Putt course will open soon. There will be no June meeting of the Board.

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet June 18, 2008 at noon in the Health Department.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. MS. SANDY COX

Will meet June 9 at 7:00 P.M. to discuss ambulance rates and Resolutions 21-2008 and 22-2008.

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss a resolution to commend city employee Tom Pearch for years of service. Resolution 20-2008 is before Council for consideration tonight.

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . MR. ROB MAURER NO REPORT

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss the extension of sidewalks on West High Avenue. The Committee requested the Service Director to obtain quotes.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE. MR. GEORGE HOUSTON NO REPORT

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. ROBERT CONNER NO REPORT

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE MS. WINNIE WALKER NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Ms. Anita Edwards, Director of Main Street New Philadelphia, said the banners have been installed on South Broadway, along with hanging flower baskets. Introduced new Main Street President Darla Carlisle

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

21-2008 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)

22-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize an additional \$1,976.00 to be spent for street department cab and chassis to be purchased under the STS Purchasing Program, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

24-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to authorize the New Philadelphia Police Department to hold the annual police auction on June 11, 2008 at 5:00 P.M., 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 Mr. Locker, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

20-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Thomas P. Pearch for service and dedication to the City of New Philadelphia during his 31 years as an employee for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio. (1st Reading)

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:51 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED June 9, 2008

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____