

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JULY 23, 2007 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. ROBERT CONNER  
MS. SANDY COX  
MR. JIMMY EICHEL  
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON  
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER  
MR. JIM LOCKER  
MR. ROB MAURER

THE MINUTES OF JULY 9, 2007 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

MR. LOCKER MADE A MOTION TO ADD ORDINANCE 20-2007 TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MR. CONNER SCONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEUSH

1. New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for June 2007.
2. Finance Committee meeting minutes of July 16, 2007.
2. Salary Committee meeting minutes of July 16, 2007.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT.....MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from July 9 through July 23. Reported that on July 16 he swore in Patrolman Donald Woods, who is returning to the Police Department following cancer treatments. Reported that he met July 19 with ODOT representatives and city officials to discuss safety issues on West High Avenue. Reminded everyone of the annual Downtown Sidewalk Sales this week.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED . . . . . ABSENT

In the absence of Mr. Espenschied, Mayor Brodzinski reported that the West High Avenue waterline project is to begin July 30, and the Reiser Avenue project bid was awarded.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM . . . . . NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson announced that the Police Auction will be held Wednesday, July 25, 2007 at 5:00 P.M.

AUDITOR. . . . .MS. BETH GUNDY . . . . . NO REPORT

TREASURER . . . . . MR. MIKE TAYLOR . . . . . NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MIKE JOHNSON . . . . . NO REPORT

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet August 8, 2007 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Will meet August 14, 2007 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting July 10. Mr. Locker requested that Mr. Johnson assign the airport consultant issue.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER . . . . . NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet August 8, 2007 at noon in the Health Department. .

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDY COX

Reported meeting July to discuss a request by Walter Drane Co. to place the city's code on line. The City's Information Specialist Jeff Erb informed the Committee that a CD is purchased from Walter Drane, and he downloads it onto the city's website. He said this is the cheaper way to go, and anyone wishing to review a particular section without having internet availability.

SALARY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting July 16 to discuss wage increases for non-bargaining employees. The Committee met again tonight on Ordinance 20-2007, and voted to place it on tonight's agenda. Mr. Johnson assigned the airport consultant and an educational facility at the airport.

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . MR. ROB MAURER

Will meet August 13 to discuss fees for water/sewer hookups.

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. . . MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER . . . NO REPORT

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE. . . . MR. GEORGE HOUSTON

Mr. Houston reported that he has visited some properties in the city that have been mentioned as needing cleaned up. He said some of the properties have been cleaned up, and added that there are sufficient laws already on the books to deal with these problems.

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. ROBERT CONNER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss a resolution to commend Herb Robinson for his service on the Health Board.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIMMY EICHEL . . . . . NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 17-2007 An ordinance to approve, adopt and enact the current replacement pages to the Codified Ordinances and declaring an emergency. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)
- 20-2007 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to enact a pay increase for all full time non-bargaining unit employees and elected officials except for the Mayor and all permanent part-time non bargaining unit employees to be the amount of 3.5% increase effective January 1, 2007, a 3.5% increase effective January 1, 2008, and a 3% increase effective January 1, 2009, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
  - Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
  - Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Locker, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 17-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to enact an employee handbook, and declaring an emergency. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)
- 18-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Herbert Robinson for his years of service with the New Philadelphia Health Board. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
- 23-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Betty Huffman for her service to the City of New Philadelphia through the New Philadelphia Health Department and declaring an emergency. (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)
  - Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Eichel. Mr. Houston said he wanted personally to commend Ms. Huffman for her willingness to go to his parents’ home to give them shots when needed. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.
- 26-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to transfer funds from the Revolving Loan Fund #497 and the Economic Development Fund #250 to the CDBG Fund #287 as part of the City of New Philadelphia’s share for the current city project(s), and declaring an emergency. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:52 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED August 13, 2007

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_