

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN SPECIAL SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON NOVEMBER 15, 2018 WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL SAM HITCHCOCK PRESIDING. COUNCILMAN HOLLAND OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

MR. DEAN HOLLAND
MR. DAN LANZER
MRS. AIMEE MAY
MR. ROB MAURER
MRS. CHERYL RAMOS
MR. KELLY RICKLIC
MR. JOHN ZUCAL

EXCUSED ABSENCES

LAW DIRECTOR MARVIN FETE

President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock made the following comment:

A couple Special Sessions ago I started instructing the Clerk to add all pending legislation to the Agenda, even for a Special Meeting, because I felt that it gives Council the opportunity to move any pending legislation forward if they choose to do so. If they choose not to do so that is also the Council's prerogative. I'm sure everybody remembers an email that they got from Mrs. Ramos, who was concerned about passage at this particular meeting of Ordinance 23-2018. I appreciate the research that Mrs. Ramos has done on this. While I may not agree with all of her concerns, I do agree with the fact that this piece of legislation is being considered by Committee right toward the end where we were getting ready for a Council meeting. That may have inspired the meeting to be over without adequate debate on the issue. Everything that goes into one of our Council committees is very important. It's more important than time frames that we are observing. I already mentioned to Mr. Ricklic and to all of you that if you have a Committee meeting that is getting close to regular Council meeting, if important debate is taking place and it looks like you're going to be able to get it wrapped up fairly soon I have no problem with it spilling over into the Council meeting. If it's something that you don't feel will be resolved in adequate time there are two options: you can recess the Committee and come back into Committee right after the Council meeting or you can adjourn the meeting and take it up another day. This piece of legislation I agree that it might be better to have it go to another reading. I always ask "Council, is there any action to be taken?" If nobody desires any action to be taken just remain silent and it will be held for the next meeting.

- MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED THAT COUNCIL FORGO THIS EVENING'S AGENDA UP TO THE VISITOR'S COMMENTS SECTION
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
COUNCIL WILL MOVE FORWARD TO THE VISITOR'S COMMENTS PORTION OF THE MEETING

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

Robert Knauss of 301 East High Avenue had the following comment:

Friends, if you’re a hammer everything looks like a nail. This International Property Maintenance Code is more hammer than you need. You say that you do not want to hurt people, but the thought of multiple misdemeanors have given me sleepless nights. You could put me in jail for a stain and peeling paint. I know you have said you would not do that, but if it’s in the code you could. I had to look up the definition of premises because I have an unlicensed car in my garage, legal at the moment. If you pass this code I would be out of compliance the next day. Please do not pass this code.

Jack Jones of 126 4th St. NE in New Phila. had the following comment:

I haven’t had the opportunity to look over your code, I have looked over the draconian international property management code that you’re attaching it too. I think this is way overkill, more of a sledgehammer than a tack hammer. The church that I go to we do community service for various organizations and we make food deliveries for the food pantry. There’s a woman less than six blocks from this building, lives by herself. The inside of her house is spotless, the outside needs some attention. It needs painted. She doesn’t have the money. She has to make the choice between painting the house or getting her medicine and food for the week. When I talked to her about the international property maintenance code she was shocked. These are the type of people you’re trying to hurt. It’s not the people who aren’t willing to do the fix up or repairs, it’s the people who can’t.

Ron Abbuhl of 431 Candlewood Dr. had the following comment:

I would like to work on my car in my own garage and with this I won’t be able to do that. It’s not a full time profession it’s a hobby. It just seems like it’s infringing on my rights.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES:

23-2018 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO ADOPT CHAPTER 1323 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA FOR PURPOSES OF ADOPTING THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE FOR THE PURPOSES OF REGULATING BUILDING AND STRUCTURES WITHIN THE CORPORATION LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA AS THEREIN PROVIDED.
3rd Reading

28-2018 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AN OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) STATE INFRASTRUTURE BANK (SIB) LOAN TO ASSIST THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA IN FUNDING TO FINANCE 100% OF THE CONSTUCTION OF A 12 BAY NESTED T HANGAR IN THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO.
2nd Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON ORDINANCE 28-2018

MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON ORDINANCE 28-2018

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 28-2018

MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

ORDINANCE 28-2018 HAS BEEN APPROVED

RESOLUTIONS:

31-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE TV CABLE FRANCHISE FEES FUND #260 TO THE GENERAL FUND #101.
2nd Reading

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

Mr. Maurer motioned to adjourn at 5:48 pm

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____
Julie Courtright

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____
Sam R. Hitchcock