

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JANUARY 14, 2008 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL JOEL DAY PRESIDING. MR. DAY OFFERED A PRAYER, AND COUNCILMAN ROBERT CONNER LED ALL IN ATTENDANCE WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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

COUNCILMAN JIM LOCKER WAS ABSENT

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO ADD ORDINANCE 1-2008 TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MR. LAUTENSCHLEGER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 6 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MR. CONNER MADE A MOTION TO REMOVE RESOLUTION 1-2008 FROM TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MS. COX SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 6 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MR. CONNER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2008 AND 2009 AS RECOMMENDED BY COUNCIL. MR. HOUSTON SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 6 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MR. DAY OPENED THE FLOOR FOR NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL PRO TEM. MR. HOUSTON NOMINATED MS. COX. MR. CONNER SECONDED THE NOMINATION. NOMINATIONS WERE CLOSED.

THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 27, 2007 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. The Treasurer's Reconciliation for December 2007.
2. The Treasurer's Statement of Transactions of all City funds for December 2007.
3. The Treasurer's Summary of Transactions for the General Checking Account for December 2007.
4. The Auditor's Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for December 2007.
5. The Auditor's Financial Statement for December 2007.
6. New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for December 2007.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

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

Gave an overview of the activities of his office in his first two weeks of office. Mayor Taylor thanked his administration and all department heads for their assistance in the transition into his office. Mayor Taylor requested that the Salary Committee re-open his request for a part-time position at the switchboard area.

Mayor Taylor welcomed newly elected President Joel Day and Council at large Winnie Welcome, and said he looks forward to working with them. He also informed Council that he has finished out the year in the Treasurer's office, and requested that they, along with the Auditor's reports, be approved tonight. He also reminded everyone that a new Treasurer is to be selected Saturday January 19. Ms. Cox made a motion to approve the Treasurer's and Auditor's reports. Mr. Conner seconded the motion. Roll call, 6 years, motion passed.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Gave reference to a mailing that has gone out to city residents concerning an out of town trash hauler, and reminded the residents that they are already being charged for trash pickup on their monthly water bills at ½ the cost of the out of town hauler. Mr. Espenschied gave an overview of activities of his office during 2007.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Relinquished the floor to Fire Chief Jamie Snyder and EMS Coordinator Jim Scholtz to discuss their application for the Star of Life Award in which they rescued a motorist from a life threatening accident. They are requesting a commendation from Council to assist them in achieving their award.

AUDITOR. ....MS. BETH GUNDY ..... ABSENT

TREASURER ..... NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR ..... MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Welcomed all newly elected officials. Updated Council on the status of a lawsuit concerning records retention.

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE ..... ABSENT

Service Director Gary Espenschied reported that he met today with Ms. Edwards to discuss permanent power on three of the quadrants on the square. The County Commissioners will be contacted concerning their quadrant.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet February 13, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

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

Will meet February 12, 2008 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

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

Mr. Conner reported that there have no meetings in September, October, November, December, and January because of a lack of quorum.

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

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet February 13, 2008 at noon in the Health Department.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDY COX

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Ordinance 37-2007 and Ordinance 1-2008. Both issues were approved, and emergency passage requested.

SALARY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIM LOCKER . . . . . ABSENT . . . . . NO REPORT

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

Will meet January 16, 2008 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss the Tuscarawas County Drug Enforcement Task Force.

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

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: NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

31-2007 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to repeal New Philadelphia Codified Ordinance 935.05 reimbursement for waterline construction charges and to enact a new Codified Ordinance 935.05 reimbursement and assessment charges for waterline hook up in the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

32-2007 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to repeal New Philadelphia Codified Ordinance 931.02 reimbursement for sanitary sewer or storm sewer extension and to enact a new Codified Ordinance 931.02 reimbursement and assessment charges for sanitary sewer and storm sewer extension in the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

33-2007 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to purchase a single axel, cab and chassis unit truck for the Water Department, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 6 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance passed.

1-2008 An ordinance amending and adjusting the temporary appropriations ordinance for the year 2008 and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 6 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 31-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Aaron Fulton for his service to the City of New Philadelphia through the New Philadelphia Police Department. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 6 yeas, resolution passed.
- 35-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Ronald B. Brodzinski, Mayor for the services rendered and the leadership provided for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio during his two terms as Mayor. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 6 yeas, resolution passed.
- 36-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Dave Johnson, President of Council for the services rendered and the leadership provided for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio during his term as President of Council. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 6 yeas, resolution passed.
- 37-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Jimmy Eichel, Council at Large, for the services rendered and the leadership provided for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio during his term as Council at Large. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 6 yeas, resolution passed.
- 39-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Dean E. Myers for his 28-year service to the City of New Philadelphia through the New Philadelphia Street Department/Traffic Department. (2nd Reading)

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Day made the following Committee assignments:

Resolutions 2-2008 and 3-2008 to the Finance Committee  
Canadian geese problem at Oak Shadows Golf Course to the Safety, Health, and Service Committee  
The EMS commendation to the Special/Contact Committee

Ms. Cox said she has received several concerns from residents that they will not receive a 2007 City Income Tax Form. They are to either download it or contact their tax preparer, and some residents have neither option. It was announced that tax forms are available in the hallway outside the Income Tax Office.

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

APPROVED January 28, 2008