

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MAY 30, 2002 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 MAY 13, 2002 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED AFTER A CORRECTION WAS MADE TO REFLECT THAT MR. HITCHCOCK DID NOT VOTE AGAINST ORDINANCE 36-2002, BECAUSE HE WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE. NAY VOTE SHOULD HAVE BEEN MR. MAURER.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK PRO TEM MARY JO FRAGASSE

- 1. Finance Committee meeting minutes of May 13, 2002.
- 2. Special Committee meeting minutes of May 7, 2002.
- 3. A report from General Services for May 13 through May 24, 2002.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR’S REPORT MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of the Mayor’s office from May 14 through May 30, 2002. Reported that he attended a meeting on May 17, along with Fire Chief Jamie Snyder and Police Chief Jeff Urban, at the Tuscarawas County Sheriff’s Department. Reported that he attended a meeting recently to discuss a study that was done to address the future concerns of the New Philadelphia Fire Department. Reported that he attended a monthly meeting of the Wastewater Treatment Plant project that is underway. Reported that May 26 and May 27, he attended the opening of the Summer Showcase at Tuscora Park, and he acknowledged Sam Hitchcock and Rod Miller for the work they have done to better the park facilities. Requested emergency passage of Resolution 20-2002. Requested an Executive Session to discuss property acquisition.

SERVICE DIRECTORMR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that the CDBG storm sewer project is underway. Reported that a bid for a study of the usage of the former Elks Building was awarded to MKC Associates. Reported that the Wastewater Treatment Plant project is proceeding. Relinquished the floor to Building Inspector Bill Richesson, who reviewed the status of several properties that he has been working on.

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM NO REPORT

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY

Requested emergency passage of Ordinances 40-2002 and 46-2002, and Resolution 18-2002. Requested that Resolution 19-2002 be assigned to committee.

TREASURER MS. TERRI DEARDORFF ABSENT NO REPORT

Mr. Maurer asked why Ms. Deardorff has not been attending Council meetings.

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that Ms. Deardorff has had problems getting someone to assist her mother, who is ill, and those problems have been resolved, so she should be able to attend future meetings. Reported that the Investment Committee will meet soon. Reported that the audits by the Treasurer are complete through 2001, so reports should be moving along for 2002. Reported that all lawsuits involving the city are still pending.

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE MS. PAULINE WYRIE

Invited Council to attend a meeting on June 12, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. at the Tuscarawas County Public Library to discuss the application for the National Register of Historic Places. Reported that the recent Art On The Square was highly successful. Reported that the TGIF series will begin June 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet June 19, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Will meet June 4, 2002 at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers

AIRPORT COMMISSION MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting May 14, 2002. Reported that a new tenant will soon open the Airport Restaurant, to be known as the Perfect Landing. Reported that Assistant Service Director Jim Zucal has been appointed to the Airport Commission.

PARK BOARD MR. ART CICCONE NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD MS. SANDRA COX NO REPORT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE MS. SANDRA COX

Reported meeting tonight prior to regular session to discuss Ordinance 46-2002, Ordinance 37-2002, and a new fire pumper for the fire department. All items were approved by Committee.

MR. HOUSTON MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING OF LEGISLATION TO DISCUSS PROPERTY ACQUISITION. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MS. COX. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE MR. SAM HITCHCOCK NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned a request to hear a report of the fire department study. A representative of Architectural Services Corp. will be here on June 11, 2002 to review the study with council members. Mr. Johnson also assigned a letter received from ASCAP, which deals with music entertainment.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.MR. JOEL DAY

Mr. Johnson said he has received numerous complaints about flooding on Union Avenue, and assigned the matter to the Public Works Committee.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEEMR.GEORGE HOUSTON NO REPORT

CONTACT COMMITTEE.MR. ART CICCONETTI NO REPORT

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. ROB MAURER NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Ella Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., New Philadelphia, reminded the Service Director that a cemetery report is due in June, and asked that a trash receptacle be available there. Complained that a residence on East High Ave. has rags stuffed in their windows to replace broken glass. Asked where the \$13,000 came from that was spent on a luncheon for the fire department study. Asked that police patrol Wabash Ave. more because residents have difficulty backing out of their driveways. Asked if the large stop signs that are currently on 4th St. and Fair Ave. N.W. be placed at 2nd St. and Fair Ave. N.W. when the new traffic light is installed. Asked why there is a bad odor at the treatment plant. Asked Mr. Richesson to look at the property at 224 Ashwood Lane N.W. because it is a disgrace. She asked the status of the Airport Restaurant, and what is being done at the building on West High Ave. across from Roberts' Men's Shop. She asked what is to be done with the money recently given to Park Place. She informed Council that a Dover resident has given their time to help at the amphitheater. Mr. Espenschied said he will have a cemetery report soon, and a trash receptacle was placed where Ms. Slough asked, but it has been moved. Mr. Richesson said the Ashwood Lane property is to be fixed up. Mayor Brodzinski said the money for the luncheon was paid for by the International Association of Firefighters. Mayor Brodzinski said he will inform the police of the problem on Wabash Ave., and larger stop signs are in place on 2nd St. and Fair Ave. N.W. He said he has not received complaints about the odor at the wastewater plant, but will have it checked out. Reported that remodeling is underway at the Airport Restaurant. Ms. Wyrle said the building on West High Ave. is being restored to its previous condition. Mayor Brodzinski said money received by the park was a grant, and no city money was involved. Mayor Brodzinski said he appreciates any work that is put in at the park.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- Amended 34-2002 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to enact Section 903.16 Sidewalk Installation in residential areas, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
- 37-2002 An ordinance to repeal Codified Ordinance 143.03 – Certification of Ambulance Personnel and to enact new Codified Ordinance Section 143.03 – Certification of Ambulance Personnel, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Maurer. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 40-2002 An ordinance authorizing the City of New Philadelphia Auditor to deposit cable TV franchise fee revenue directly into certain accounts, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

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

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

44-2002 An ordinance granting a franchise to Frontiervision operating Partners LP DBA Adelphia Cable Communications (the grantee) to construct, operate, and maintain a cable system in the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio (the grantor), setting forth conditions accompanying the grant of the franchise, providing for regulation and use of the system. (2nd Reading)

46-2002 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2002, and declaring an emergency. (1st 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. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

18-2002 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to adopt a fixed assets policy documenting the threshold and fixed asset accounting procedures, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

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

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

19-2002 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio accepting the alternate formula for distribution of local government and local government revenue assistance funds as proposed by the Tuscarawas County Budget Commission and as prescribed in Section 5747.53 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

Mr. Johnson assigned this resolution to the Finance Committee for review.

20-2002 A resolution by the Council of City of New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, Ohio authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with CGI Communications, Inc. for community banner services to the City of New Philadelphia without cost, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

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

MR. JOHNSON ANNOUNCED THAT A MEETING WILL BE HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 10, 2002 TO DISCUSS THE PLANS FOR USE OF THE FORMER ELK'S BUILDING.

AT 8:20 P.M. COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PROPERTY ACQUISITION. COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:28 P.M.

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:29 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED June 10, 2002

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____