

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JUNE 25, 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  
   MR. ROB MAURER  
   MRS. AIMEE MAY  
   MR. KELLY RICKLIC  
   MR. JOHN ZUCAL

EXCUSED ABSENCES                                      MRS. CHERYL RAMOS

- MR. MAURER MOTIONED TO ACCEPT TONIGHT’S AGENDA  
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION  
6 YEAS  
TONIGHT’S AGENDA HAS BEEN ACCEPTED
  
- MR. LANZER MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 11, 2018  
REGULAR SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL  
MR. MAURER SECONDED THE MOTION  
6 YEAS  
MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 11, 2018 REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL HAVE  
BEEN APPROVED

**CORRESPONDENCE**..... CLERK, JULIE COURTRIGHT

1. *To Clerk of Council from Treasurer Tom Gerber, dated June 12, 2018. This is the City of New Philadelphia Monthly Deposits Report*
2. *To Clerk of Council from Michael Kelly with Walter H. Drane Company, dated June 13, 2018. This is a letter that has the following excerpt: “Dear Julie, we have shipped 24 sets of the 2018 replacement pages to the New Philadelphia Codified Ordinances to your attention. Enclosed please find the suggested adopted ordinance and the invoice for the services.”*
3. *To Clerk of Council from Treasurer Tom Gerber, dated June 13, 2018. This is the City of New Philadelphia May 2018 Investment and Savings Reports*
4. *To New Philadelphia City Council from the Tuscarawas County Convention and visitor’s bureau, dated June 18, 2018. This is a letter that has the following excerpt: “Honorable Members of Council, in a few weeks the Convention and Visitor’s Bureau will embark on a façade improvement project for its building in New Philadelphia. Built in the 1900s the Welcome Center CVB Offices have undergone numerous modernizations over the last 100 years. Most recently when the CVB purchased the building in 2003 it took on a herculean task of stabilizing a collapsing second story wall, waterproof and repair of flooded basement, replace all waterlogged carpet, replace one of the three heating and cooling units, replace damaged flat roofing that covered 1/3 of the building and numerous other non-cosmetic issues totaling nearly \$300,000 in improvements. The CVB is asking for financial assistance for this project. I’m including a brochure of the 21 iconic building structures. Three are still located in New Philadelphia. If you have any additional questions please don’t hesitate to ask.” It was signed by Dee Grossman, Executive Director of the Tuscarawas County Convention and Visitor’s Bureau.*
5. *To Councilman Lanzer from President of Council Sam Hitchcock, dated June 18, 2018. This is an email that states the following: “Dan, please take this into your Committee.” It has the attachment 2018 Walter Drane Invoice and Sample Ordinance.*
6. *To Councilman Holland from President of Council Hitchcock, dated June 20, 2018. This is an email with the subject: FW Wabash Hill Improvement Project. It states the following: “Dean, Please take this request from the Law Director into your Committee for Consideration.*
7. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated June 25, 2018. This is the Mayor’s Report*

**Administrative Reports.....**

MAYOR'S REPORT/REQUESTS ....MAYOR JOEL B. DAY

Mayor Day had the following report:

- Garland Hospitality Purchases the former McDonald's Restaurant property on West High Ave: Garland Hospitality has confirmed through a Facebook post that it has purchased the former McDonald's restaurant property on West High Avenue. The company has not announced its plans for the property. But it opens the possibility of expansion of the Schoenbrunn Inn and other developments that will enhance the West High Avenue location. The City is pleased that Garland continues to invest in New Philadelphia and help grow our economy.
  
- New Philadelphia City Health Department Begins the State Mandated Accreditation Process: Last Tuesday the New Philadelphia City Health Department submitted its application for accreditation to the Public Health Accreditation Board in Alexandria, Virginia. This was the first step in the accreditation process ... mandated by Governor Kasich and the Ohio Legislature. To meet this mandate, the Health Department had to hire an accreditation coordinator at an annual salary of \$15,000.00 to gather the required data. Though the City Health Board disagreed with this mandate, it voted to proceed rather than face the risk of having our health department closed or merged into another state health district. Once approved, the Health Department will have to pay the Virginia board an annual fee to remain accredited.
  
- Ohio's Mayors Continue to Struggle with the Loss of Local Government Funding & Medical Marijuana Issues: The two hot topics of discussion at the annual meeting of the Mayors Association of Ohio were the continued cuts in local government funding and the issues brought on by the legalization of medical marijuana. The conference was held in Akron on June 13th through the 15th. The mayors in attendance shared their concerns over bills in the Ohio Legislature that would continue to cut local government funding from municipalities and pressure cities and villages to raise taxes to fund services. The association members also discussed the community impact of legalizing medical marijuana. I joined most mayors in questioning the wisdom of State lawmakers when communities are already struggling with the cost of opioid addictions. Other topics discussed were guns in schools and social media - cyber security.
  
- The 41st Annual First Town Days Festival is Underway: The annual Festival Queen Scholarship Pageant last Friday night opened the scheduled events for this year's festival. Caitlin Aubrey Cole of Indian Valley was crowned queen and will preside over the 41st annual celebration, which begins on Wednesday July 4th and will conclude on Sunday July 8th at Tuscora Park. Saturday night is the fireworks night. I hope to see you there!

Mayor Day made the following statement:

With the balance of my time I would like to yield to Mr. Tom Farbizo who's going to update us on advertising revenue from the airport windows and also the sanitation vehicles.

Mr. Farbizo made the following statement:

I'm here representing Quaker Digital Academy and Superintendent Dr. Richard Varrati. First of all we'd like to sincerely thank the Mayor, Service Director, President of Council, Law Director Fete, and Council for your trust in us in the venture that we did down at the windows at the airport. I'm here to report to you tonight that as promised in 2018 we're going to start slow this year but we'll award two scholarships each for \$1,000.00. That's thanks to the people who bought windows. They will get a \$1,000.00 scholarship. I'm not going to give the names tonight because we're going to do a press release because we don't only want to thank the City but we want to thank the businesses who purchased those windows and let them know where 60% of their money went. There will be one male and one female recipient so we're politically correct. One's going to a 4 year college and one's going to a tech school. We wanted to start slow this year. We look next year to probably give a few more scholarships. We're talking right now to the Dean at Kent State Tuscarawas to maybe give a scholarship for a student that goes to QDA that's going to go to Kent State Tusc. That's one of the things that we're looking at. Probably at the next Council Meeting I will come with a check for the City's 40%. We're calculating that now so I can bring that as promised. On a shifting gear, the sanitation trucks. We currently have one truck with two advertisers on it. It looks like we have two more sold. I should receive signed contracts tomorrow and a check. If that's the case and everything pans out on that we will go from one truck to two trucks with advertisement on both sides. I also had a call from a business today that may be interested, so we could jump up to 2 and a half trucks. That money, according to how we worked it out with the Law Director, the first year is the same as the windows. The City does

not receive anything the first year. Next year you'll start to see revenue from that first truck coming in. We thank you very much for your trust in us. Hopefully we can grow it and enhance it.

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

Thanks again Tom for all your efforts.

Mr. Ricklic had the following question for Mayor Day:

Is there any information about Craft Bistro opening?

Mayor Day had the following response:

Yes. They had a lawsuit settlement and from that they are installing an elevator. That should be installed by the end of the month. From what we've been told they plan to open in September after their wedding business begins to taper off.

SERVICE DIRECTOR .....MR. RON MCABIER

Mr. McAbier had the following report:

Just an update on two ongoing projects. Last week the Mayor and I were able to meet with Quicksall and Associates on the Carlisle and Coniglio boat ramps. We went over the final drawings and construction plans last week. We look to move forward with it. Didn't see anything alarming so that will go out for bid on July 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. We'll open them on the 26<sup>th</sup> in Council Chambers at 10am. That project will be completed by the end of 2018. Also, four more of the trash receptacles were picked up last week and are in the process of getting the 1 inch mosaics on them in the art studio, so look for them to come.

Mr. Zucal had the following question:

What's the intent to replace the trees that were taken down?

Mr. McAbier had the following answer:

As the homeowners want them we're going to put them back. They can just contact my office.

AUDITOR .....MS. BETH GUNDY

Ms. Gundy had the following report:

I just want to tell everybody that our audit is complete. Our auditors will be filing that with the State by the end of the week. I will not be at the next meeting, I will be on vacation.

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

TREASURER . . . MR. TOM GERBER.....NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR . . . MR. MARVIN FETE

Mr. Fete had the following report:

I just want to express my sincere gratitude and thank Council for the legislation passed regarding the Victim's Advocate Program. That's desperately needed here. We have submitted the application for it and I think those two pieces of legislation are going to make us really stand out in the competition for that. Already we've had some extraordinary, highly competent, highly qualified individuals express interest in that position. I'm also looking at, I was tipped off that Carroll County has found a way to use what they generated after the defendants who had been convicted of crimes had actually paid a

portion of their victims advocate fees. I'm going to have a conference with the head of their victim's advocate program and find out how exactly they did that. This is something that's very important to the community and I just want to thank you again for supporting it.

**BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR JOEL DAY**

The Planning Commission will meet here in City Council Chambers on Tuesday, July 10 at 1:00 PM. The Agenda is being developed.

**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. RON MCABIER**

The Board of Zoning Appeals met June 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM in City Council Chambers with four variance requests to be heard. One of them at 165 West High Avenue, noncompliance with 1165-06. It was voted on and granted a variance 4-0. Next we met with a business owner at 166 West High that had a noncompliant at 521.04 public sidewalk issue. That went to vote and it was voted 3-1 to grant the variance. Also, Walmart had a noncompliance issue at 1167.09 over the signage allowable. That went to vote and was granted 4-0. Also we had Gemini with a noncompliance 1169.04 which is parking stalls per square foot. That went to vote and was granted 4-0.

**AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JOHN ZUCAL**

Two items of note through the Airport Commission. One is that we should be hearing very shortly regarding the State Infrastructure bank loan application for the new hangar project. It has continued to evolve as it's gone through the process of funding. In the meantime we continue to take the steps and be proactive in maintaining the existing structures and what we call the green hangars at Harry Clever Field. I've had a perpetual issue with birds inside the hangars and causing problems for pilots. We have asked Tom Contini a pest control expert who resides right outside City limits in the Roswell area and he's going to be moving forward on helping to secure those hangars with some protection devices and pest control opportunities to eliminate some of the issues with the birds since it has been a big issue with the pilots. Again, sounds like a minimal trivial issue but when we're looking at building new hangars we want to also maintain the focus of addressing those issues with our current hangars. This will be a step forward to providing a cleaner, safer, more sanitary environment.

**PARK BOARD.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND**

The next meeting of the Park Board will be July 18, 2018 at noon at Tuscora Park Pavilion.

**HEALTH BOARD..... MR. KELLY RICKLIC**

The Health Board will met on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 12 noon in the Health Department. The big issue was the accreditation process and a component of the accreditation process was the approval of the New Philadelphia City Health Department's Strategic Plan. That was done on that meeting. Also, the big topic was the mosquitoes. Mr. Finley reported the high numbers of mosquitos in the Tuscora Park area. He was trying to research where they are coming from. He has been treating some other areas with the tablets and storm drains. West Nile has already been indicated. He also showed how he traps and freezes them, sends them into Columbus where they grind them up and then tests them to determine what type of mosquitoes and what type of diseases they are carrying.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

FINANCE COMMITTEE .....MR. ROB MAURER.....NO REPORT

SALARY COMMITTEE .....MR. JOHN ZUCAL.....NO REPORT

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND.....NO REPORT

SAFETY HEALTH & SERVICE COMMITTEE.....MR. KELLY RICKLIC

Mr. Ricklic had the following report:

The Safety, Health and Service Committee met tonight at 6:00 PM with two items on the Agenda. The first item was 905.02 the dead tree ordinance. The Mayor has stated that they will be addressing that issue for Mr. Streb at 714 North Broadway, sending a letter to try to accommodate the dead tree in his area. The second issue there is the golf cart issue with Mr. Sturtz. After a lengthy discussion it has been decided that with Committee approval they'll get together at another time to discuss the pros and cons and any restrictions or whatever we could use to look into that becoming a reality in New Philadelphia. Mr. Sturtz has been very patient with this and has done a very good job presenting it in a very professional manner. It was voted 3-0 to go to that Committee. The Committee meeting was adjourned at 6:48.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.....MRS. CHERYL RAMOS.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

SPECIAL & CONTACT COMMITTEE .....MR DAN LANZER

Mr. Lanzer had the following report:

The Committee met this evening and we had two items on the Agenda. One was the Chipotle Mexican Grill liquor license variance. After some short discussion it was agreed upon that there wasn't an issue with this and we decided to vote 3-0 to have a voice vote at this time.

ROLL CALL VOTE

6 YEAS

THE CHIPOTLE LIQUOR LICENSE VARIANCE REQUEST HAS BEEN APPROVED

Mr. Lanzer continued:

The second item we discussed was a cluster of Ordinances: 9-2018, 10-2018 11-2018, 12-2018, and 13-2018. They had to do with soft drink licenses and coin operated machines. Some of these haven't been updated since 1960. We voted unanimously to have the legislation added to the next regularly scheduled meeting for 3 Readings so we have plenty of public feedback if we need to and pass on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE .....MRS. AIMEE MAY

Mrs. May had the following report:

The Parks and Cemetery Committee met this evening at 7:00 PM regarding Proposed Ordinance 14-2018 which would allow us to take the funds from Fund 812 and move them to a separate account 815 which would allow us to use the principal and interest for improvements maintaining cemeteries etc. It was decided that we would table this issue until the next Board Meeting to discuss with the Board and then come back with a later date to discuss changes we'd like for the Ordinance 14-2018. The next meeting is scheduled for July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM.

**VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS: NONE**

**READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

ORDINANCES: NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

15-2018            A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO, TO COMMEND DOUG HIXSON FOR 30 YEARS OF SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

**UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

I wish everyone a very happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July Independence Day celebration. Looking forward to First Town Days.

Mr.Maurer motioned to adjourn at 7:54 pm

CLERK OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Courtright

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

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

Sam R. Hitchcock