

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON AUGUST 11, 2008 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL JOEL DAY PRESIDING. MR. DAY OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: MR. ROBERT CONNER
MS. SANDY COX
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER
MR. JIM LOCKER
MR. ROB MAURER
MS. COLLEEN SMITH
MS. WINNIE WALKER

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MR. LAUTENSCHLEGER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 28, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING. MR. LOCKER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. A Thank You note from the family of George Houston for Council's expression of sympathy.
2. Board of Control meeting minutes of July 25, 2008.
3. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for July 2008.
4. The Auditor's Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for July 2008.
5. The Auditor's Financial Statement for July 2008.
6. Zoning & Annexation Committee meeting minutes of July 28, 2008.
7. Public Works & Economic Development Committee meeting minute of July 28, 2008.
8. The July 2008 Run Summary Report from the New Philadelphia Fire Department.
9. New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for July 2008.
10. The Treasurer's Summary of Transactions for the General Checking Account for July 2008.
11. The Treasurer's Reconciliation for July 2008.
12. The Treasurer's Statement of Transactions of all City funds for July 2008.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

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

Welcomed newly appointed Colleen Smith, Ward 1 representative, to Council. Reported that the 2008 paving project is in its final stages, with Mill Avenue, Graff Road, and the intersection entering Lowe's being done this week. After these areas are complete, the City will determine how much money remains for smaller projects.

Reported that an Open House at Schoenbrunn Village was well attended. Reported on the status of a new sewer jetter truck and street sweeper. Distributed a call list to each Council member showing the incoming calls to the John Knisely Municipal Centre.

SERVICE DIRECTOR MR. JIM ZUCAL

Reported that he has received three quotes for city-owned assets, and forwarded them to the Finance Committee for review. Reported that he has met with State Auditors on several occasions concerning the performance audit being conducted. Reported that the tennis court and basketball courts rehabilitating is complete. Reported meeting with ODOT representatives concerning the 2010 traffic light replacement project. Reported on the July 2008 permits that were issued through his office.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Reported that on August 5, Mayor Taylor swore in David Carrick as volunteer chaplain in the Fire Department

AUDITOR. MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested approval of her July reports.

TREASURER MR. DAVE JOHNSON

Requested approval of his July reports. Ms. Cox made a motion to accept the Treasurer's and Auditor's reports. Mr. Conner seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that he received a letter from the Youth Soccer League that they have received a grant from the Reeves Foundation for lights at the soccer field at the South Side Park, and recommended that this be assigned to Committee. Requested a brief Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation. Ms. Cox made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation. Mr. Conner seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that there was no August meeting, and the next meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MR. JIM ZUCAL

Will meet August 12 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers. Requests for two variances will be heard.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER

Will meet August 12, 2008 at 6:00 P.M. at the Airport.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Will meet August 27, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. in the Park office.

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet August 20, 2008 at noon in the Health Department.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. MS. SANDY COX

Will schedule a meeting soon.

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . MR. ROB MAURER NO REPORT

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting tonight to continue discussion concerning the extension of the sidewalk on West High Avenue. The Committee will obtain ADA requirements from the Law Director and Service Director before any plans proceed.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE MS. COLLEEN SMITH NO REPORT

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. ROBERT CONNER NO REPORT

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE MS. WINNIE WALKER NO REPORT

Mr. Day assigned the grant for soccer field lights.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

38-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Service Director to advertise for bids, receive bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for two water line replacement projects, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

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

RESOLUTIONS:

24-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio in support of an application to the Clean Ohio Council, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

25-2008 A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or local transportation improvement program(s) and to execute contracts as required, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

AT 7:49 P.M. COUNCIL ADJOURNED FROM REGULAR SESSION INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS ONGOING LITIGATION. COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:02 P.M.

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Day informed Council that Ms. Smith will assume the Committee assignments that were previously Mr. Houston's. Mr. Conner made a motion to accept the assignment. Mr. Lautenschleger seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:02 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED August 25, 2008

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____