

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON FEBRUARY 10TH, 2014 WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, SAM HITCHCOCK, PRESIDING.

MR. HITCHCOCK OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

MS. SANDY COX  
MR. DAN LANZER  
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER  
MR. ROB MAURER  
MRS. CHERYL RAMOS  
MS. WINNIE WALKER  
MR. JOHN ZUCAL

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT TONIGHT'S AGENDA  
MRS. RAMOS SECONDED THE MOTION.

ROLL CALL 7 YEAS  
MOTION PASSED

MR. LANZER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2014.  
MS. COX SECONDED THE MOTION.

ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS  
MINUTES WERE APPROVED.

**CORRESPONDENCE** . . . . . CLERK, PATRICIA A. MCKAY

1. Treasurer Aaron Hillyer's Report to Council dated February 10th, 2014
2. Mayor Johnson's Report to Council dated February 10th, 2014
3. Minutes from the New Philadelphia Special/Contact Committee Meeting dated January 27th, 2014
4. Notice of Public Hearing for the CDBG Application February 24th, 2014 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers
5. Ohio Municipal League dated January 28th, 2014 to City/Village Clerks for Newly Elected Council Training Series; for more information the Ohio Municipal League directed us to go to their website [www.omloho.org](http://www.omloho.org) for the 2014 Meeting and Conference Schedule.
6. Minutes from the New Philadelphia Public Works and Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes dated January 27th, 2014 at 6:15 PM and 6:30 PM
7. Minutes from the New Philadelphia Finance Committee Meeting Minutes dated January 27th, 2014
8. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for the Month of January 2014
9. Auditor's Monthly Statement of 2014 Revenue for the General Fund for January 2014
10. Auditor's Financial Statement for the Month of January 2014
11. City of New Philadelphia Budget Report with Encumbrance Details as of January 31st, 2014
12. City of New Philadelphia Statement of Cash Position with Month to Date as of January 31st, 2014
13. Month-End Tax Revenue Report by Year from the Year 2009 through January of the year 2014
14. New Philadelphia Fire Department January 2014 Month-End Summary

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**MAYOR'S REPORT/REQUESTS** . . . . .MAYOR DAVID JOHNSON

Mayor Johnson addressed the following:

- The Mayor reported that he has been very busy:
  - Meeting with Department Supervisors,
  - Working on Budgets
  - The snow issue.
- The Mayor reported he went from 72 hours of overtime for the last storm to 5.5 hours for our most recent storm. (The Service Director and the Mayor changed the operating procedure.)  
The Mayor thanked Mr. Neff and Mr. Mark Henke for making this work.
- The Mayor reported cooperation among the Departments is amazing and feels this is because of the Team Concept Approach that is being used.

- The Mayor praised the men and women the City employ for their hard work and dedication during this last storm.
- The Mayor reported that the Mayor's Executive Assistant, Ms. Fragasse and he have spoken with our insurance providers and are working at keeping our 2014-15 medical rates to a minimum.
- The Mayor read an e-mail that Vickie Daniels received in regard to trash pickup; A son called on behalf of his 86 year old mother who thanked the Sanitation Department for their dedication. The son stated that his mother's trash was at the garage door and the City workers on the truck noticed and went up the drive way to the garage and collected the trash cans and emptied them and put them back by the garage door. The Son expressed his gratitude for their thoughtfulness.
- The Mayor announced that a decision has been made when Council Members want to talk to the Managers they will go through the Mayor's Office first so they will know what is going on and there will always be two people present. The Mayor stated he would appreciate Council's cooperation on this.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. JAMES ZUCAL

The Service Director reported on the following:

- The Service Director reported that it has been a tough couple of weeks with the weather.
- The Service Director and Amy Gilland worked on the SIB loan (the State Infrastructure Bank Application packet for the West High Widening Project. Mr. Zucal had a conference call with members of O.D.O.T. in Columbus.

The Application was finalized last Friday and sent on to Columbus.

The Service Director thanked Ms. Gilland for all her help.

Everything is on schedule for the West High Widening Project

- The Service Director along with the Department Heads met with Dominion East Oho Gas Representatives. Mushrush Utility will be installing new gas lines in the North East part of the City (North Avenue, Minnich Avenue, and 3rd Street N E Area.) The contractor is working for Dominion East Oho Gas.
- The Service Director thanked President of Council, Sam Hitchcock for assigning his requests to a Committee.
  1. Yearly Business to advertise for bids, to enter into contracts with the lowest and best bidder for the City's requirements of various materials and supplies for 2014. (The Water Department, Wastewater, paving, asphalt, all the various materials we use.)
  2. Advertise for a three year contract for our Sanitary Landfill Services
  3. The CDBG Project to authorize the Service Director to advertise for bids, receive bids, and award the 2014 project year CDBG Contract. This Project will be on Tuscarawas Avenue NW from Grant Avenue NW to Ray Avenue NW. This project includes storm sewer installation, sidewalks, drive aprons, and curbing.
  4. The News Media has communicated with Cities and villages about the O.D.O.T. Bridge Inspection Program for Municipal Bridges: Service Director talked with a representative, the Chief Engineer, at Columbus from O.D.O.T. O.D.O.T. is doing Dover's Bridge Inspection for them and they assured the Service Director that they would do ours also. The Service Director reported that he has the proper legislation Columbus requires and the good news is they will do that free of charge. All we have to do is get that through Committee, and through Council, approve the contract, and they will inspect our bridges for us, then we will be in compliance.

The Service Director asked to defer to Mr. Fred Neff the Superintendent of General Services who had two issues he wanted to talk about to Council as a group.

Mr. Neff informed Council that many years ago he and the Auditor, Beth Gundy got together to work on the Bureau of Workers Compensation because of Mr. Neff knowledge of the the Drug Program. (The knowledge he acquired from where he previously worked.)

Mr. Neff went on to explain the cost and discounts of the program.

We receive these discounts every year as long as we participate in each program.

The only program that we still need to reapply for in 2014 is the Drug Free Safety Program.

Mr. Neff reported that the City's Estimated Yearly Premium is \$251,000 minus the discounts of \$34,000 for an Annual Premium amount of \$217,000.

1. Bureau of Workers Compensation
  - Discounts we take advantage of:
    - Group Rating Program- 11% Discount (\$14,000)
      - An alternative Group Program comprised of employees with better than average claim histories, allowing each to pay a much lower Premium than they would pay on an individual basis.
    - Safety Council Member- 2% Discount (\$4,000)
      - Must attend 10 of 12 monthly Safety Meetings yearly and The Mayor must attend one of them.
      - Mr. Neff is also a member of the Steering Committee of the Tuscarawas County Safety Council for fifteen years representing the City of New Philadelphia.
    - Transitional Work Place- 4% Discount (\$8,000)
      - Puts an injured worker back to work with medical restrictions for a specified time until they return to full duty rather than being off work and increasing our BWC Premium.
    - Drug Free Safety- 4% Discount (\$8,000)
      - Monthly Citywide commercial drivers license holders, safety workers random drug, and alcohol testing conducted in the City's Health Department.

Comment from Council Member John Zucal:

Thanked the Auditor, Beth Gundy and Mr. Neff for working together to have a more effective work place and for the cost savings.

The second topic (another cost savings measure) Mr. Neff addressed was Sanitation and Recycle Pickup revision for the week of February 17th through February 21st, 2014. Mr. Neff requested the media get this information out to the general public.

There will be no pickup on Monday it is a Holiday.  
 Tuesday we will do Monday's pickup and start Tuesday's route  
 Wednesday finish Tuesday's and start Wednesday's  
 Thursday finish Wednesday's and start Thursday's  
 Friday Thursday's pickup and complete Friday's.

Any missed trash after 4:00 PM on Friday February 21st, 2014 must be taken off the curb and placed back out on the normal trash pickup day the following week. This action would result in a cost savings for the City.

President of Council commended the Auditor and Mr. Neff for their efforts in working together for the cost savings for the City. The President also commended Mr. Neff for the cost savings for the trash pickup.

AUDITOR .....MS. BETH GUNDY

Ms. Gundy reported she has one issue:

(As the Mayor mentioned in his report) The renewal of the Medical Insurance is coming with that the HSA's are being renewed, we have contributed certain amounts to employees who have had HSAs. The Resolution that has been passed last year by Council 8-2013;

After the initial year the employer's annual contribution shall be as stated in the appendix 1(a).

Ms. Gundy just want Council to be aware that appendix 1(a) is not clear as to what that contribution is; so she hopes a Committee or Council will take a look at that and let her office know what that should be.

Ms. Gundy would need that cleared up by April 2014.

The President of Council, Sam Hitchcock assigned the Auditor's Request to the Finance Committee.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Mr. Popham Commended the Police and the Fire Departments; last Monday they handled a very volatile situation that ended on a positive note.

Mr. Popham announced that there are two Civil Service Tests that are upcoming:

1. A Promotional Test on February 24th, 2014 for the Fire Department
2. An Entrance Examination on March 20th, 2014 to establish an Eligibility List for the Fire Department.

President of Council Commended the Safety Forces for their professionalism due to their increased training, knowledge, and awareness of the job.

TREASURER . . . . .MR. AARON HILLYER

Mr. Hillyer reported the following:

This is his first report:

He updated Council as to what is going on in the Treasurer's Office.  
First learning curve had some issues with the computer System but Ms. Tanya Dickey from the Auditor's office helped him out.  
Switched some accounts into his name and getting on line access  
October's numbers are almost completed next Tuesday; February 18th, 2014 should be in your mail box and also a copy will be e-mailed.

Explained the attached spread sheets to his report.

The first one shows where the money is currently as of January 31, 2014.  
And what kind of interest rates we are getting.  
Also included the maturity length for certificates.  
The Auditor, Beth Gundy and he discussed the two Huntington Accounts that are currently not earning any interest. (We are having an Investment Meeting next Wednesday February 19th, 2014 at 2:30 PM in the Mayor's Office)  
We will probably be closing them out before the end of the month and get them into interest bearing accounts. Bottom portion shows the CD's and when they will mature.  
The CD's that Ms. Statler set up are in the City's Fed ID # are FDIC insured up to \$250,000 was confirmed by the account representative.

Mr. Hillyer reported on projects that he has been working on with Amy Gilland (Assistant Service Director) Ed Wilson (Water Department Head) and the Auditor, Beth Gundy and Joel Day Income Tax Interim.

Project A.

Accepting Debit/Credit Card Payments  
If we do follow through with accepting card payments, it would collect our money faster and be an extra convenience for our citizens.

Project B.

E billing for Water Department  
The spread sheet shows potential savings to the City and also we would be a more environmentally friendly City.

Accept debit card payment on line for the Water Department.

A lot more people are using electronic formats. We get our money to us faster electronic billing for the Water Department will save the City money once we get the people converted over to it.

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . .MR. MARVIN FETE

The Law Director reported over the last two weeks he has done the following:

Met with Tom Fabrizio on a QDA Contract proposal that was in Mr. Lanzer's Committee regarding advertising with QDA that would Raise Revenue for the City and replace our windows at the Airport.

Follow up meeting with Council Member Mr. Lanzer on this and on reviewing and making suggestions in regards to the new Bylaws that have been placed in his Committee as well for Council Procedures.

Mayor Johnson requested that the Law Director review the current agreement that we have in place with the AFSCME so we can cut back on overtime the current status allows us to do that by reassigning personnel from one department to another to operate the snow plow.

The Law Director commended the Mayor and Service Director for changing the operating procedure which saves the City a substantial amount of money because of the terms of the contract we have in place. The last best offer really helped to make that possible.

Phone conference with Finance Chairwoman Ms. Cox regarding R.I.T.A.

With regard to subpoenas for delinquent taxes: how many do we go through and how are office handle small claims and things of that nature in regard to delinquent taxes?

As the Auditor pointed out, we use Criminal Justice System, (we don't go through Small Claims Court), and find that very effective.

The Court is not in the habit of going after people and setting up a debtor's jail they don't want people to be out of work. What the Court has done, which was set up by Judge Space, is a Diversion Program. When someone comes to Court for Delinquent Taxes they go into the Diversion Program where the goal is to get them to pay it and basically they enter a guilty plea to the underlying charges and they will not be found guilty. It is withheld and they don't get a criminal record if they do what they were supposed to do in the first place pay the taxes. It saves a lot of time in terms of having to prosecute these cases, too. The Law Director spoke with our Chief Prosecutor Doug Jackson and the only time we issue a subpoena is in regard to Income Taxes if there is a trial, thanks to the Diversion Program. We have not had a trial since he has been in office. the Diversion Program is pretty successful in getting the people to pay and get things done like they are supposed to. Ms. Cox wanted to know whether or not the \$35.00 an hour was reasonable to get this done. I didn't think it was we are able handle a lot these without any extra cost to the taxpayers. Our prosecutor is there five days a week and once it goes to Diversion it is pretty much handled by the Income Tax Administrator.

Drafted and submitted an authorization letter so the new Treasurer Aaron Hillyer can sign off on the checks and sent it to Chase Bank.

The Law Director met with the Fire Chief to discuss liability issues concerning the Fire Department. He is in the process of preparing an analysis of that which will be submitted to the Finance Committee in the time for the Budget Process.

This past Thursday prosecuted for an entire session in Municipal Court which brings the total number of cases he has processed thus far up to 167.

The Law Director met with Doug Jackson in reference to hiring a Victims Advocate something he had discussed with the Judge.

A Victims Advocate is somebody that is utilized in Domestic Violence Cases.

Municipal Court handles a larger number of criminal cases than any other Court in Tuscarawas County.

A Victims Advocate is helpful in terms of dealing with domestic violence cases one person is the defendant and the other is the victim generally these people are in a fragile state they have been victimized with the hands of someone they are intimate with.

The Attorney can do this but it is helpful to have a Victims Advocate at the County level we have Deb Baker who is hired by the Counties Prosecutor's Office. Victims Advocate meets with the victim, helps them in terms of going forward, getting a protection order, if they should need it, so they are not victimized again while the case is going on, helps put them in touch with Counseling Service for a coping mechanism and make sure they are available for court, by even picking them up and taking them to Court if they don't have a ride there.

What we are examining currently is a Grant Program and other funding so we could fund a Victims Advocate for the New Philadelphia Municipal Court which would be a valuable service.

The Law Director has been working on the O.D.O.T. filing petitions to appropriate property and fixed compensation December we had 18 parties that had not agreed now we have five.

The final filing will be on the 28th of February 2014, hopefully, we will have all of these resolved before then We are prepared to move forward.

We have nine drafted and ready to be filed but we are holding off because it would cost the City money in terms of the filing fees.

Once these are filed the City can start moving forward with everything that is necessary the only thing left is to determine the amount of compensation that should be paid to the home owner which is eventually set for a jury trial but is hopefully resolved in mediation before that.

#### **BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:**

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR DAVID JOHNSON

The Mayor announced the next scheduled Planning Commission Meeting will be held Tuesday February 11th, 2014 at 1:00 PM here in Council Chambers at this time there is one item.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. JAMES ZUCAL

Mr. James Zucal announced the Board of Zoning Appeals will meet Tuesday, February 11th, 2014 here in Council Chambers at 5:00 PM there is one variance request.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JOHN ZUCAL

Mr. John Zucal announced that the Airport Commission will meet Tuesday, February 11th, 2014 at 6:00 PM in the Airport meeting room.

**PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER**

Mr. Lautenschleger announced that the Park Board will meet Wednesday, February 12th, 2014 at 7:00 PM at the Tuscora Park Pavilion.

**HEALTH BOARD.....**

Ms. Cox announced that the next scheduled meeting for the Health Board is Wednesday, February 19th, 2014 at 12:00 Noon in the Health Department.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Ms. Cox announced that she would give her report at the next Council meeting February 24th, 2014. President of Council, Mr. Sam Hitchcock assigned to the Finance Committee the Service Directors requests: The CDBG, The Landfill and the Various Materials request.

**SALARY COMMITTEE .....MR. JOHN ZUCAL**

Mr. Zucal Reminded members of Council that the Salary Committee will be having a meeting on February 24th, 2014 on the night of the next regular scheduled meeting of Council to address a Commendation Resolution for former Mayor Michael Taylor for all of his hard work for the City of New Philadelphia.

**SAFETY HEALTH & SERVICE COMMITTEE.....MR. ROB MAURER....NO REPORT**

President of Council, Sam Hitchcock assigned to the Safety Health & Service Committee request entered into contract for legislation with O.D.O.T. for Bridge Inspection

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

**ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE .....MRS. CHERYL RAMOS.....NO REPORT**

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

Mr. Lanzer Announced that the Special & Contact Committee will meet February 24th, 2014 at 6:15 PM in Council Chambers to discuss Council Procedure Bylaws and also to discuss Legal Advertising; and anything else that may come before the Committee.

President of Council, Sam Hitchcock assigned to the Special & Contact Committee commendation resolutions for Former Treasurer Lori Statler, Former Council Member Colleen Espenschied, John J. Schaar, John (Doc) Dougherty and Kendall Bick.

**PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE .....MS. WINNIE WALKER....NO REPORT**

Comment from Council Member John Zucal:

He has been asked by several members of the Community including some folks that are closely associated with some of the business aspect of it to review the number of available cemetery lots that the City is going to have in the near future.

He has been told we do need to investigate that whether or not we are running out of space as a City we haven't done much with that since he has been on Council. Maybe in the near future we could consider that a Committee Assignment.

Comment from the Mayor:

The Service Director and he have started a process of checking on a few places that we knew of in the past.

The President requested that the Mayor report back to Council on that.

**VISITOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Jerry Ellis  
845 2nd Street SE  
New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663

Mr. Ellis' concern was the City Ordinance on parking.

He was plowed in by one of his neighbors and was waiting for the snow to melt in order to move his car. Mr. Ellis reported that he was given a ticket that cost \$20.00.

He was informed by the Mayor's Office that there is a 48 hour parking time limit ordinance that he was not aware of. He felt there should be street signs informing the citizens of the Ordinance.

Mr. Popham said there are no signs it is a City Ordinance that has been on the books for years Mr. Ellis felt the citizens should be made aware of the Ordinance.

### **READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

#### ORDINANCES:

##### AMENDED

- NO. 22-2013 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO MODIFY SUPPLEMENTAL SECTION 1141.05 AS ENACTED BY ORDINANCE 13-2013 TO ADDRESS RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING AND STORAGE IN THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA WITH REGARD TO ZONING LANGUAGE AND APPLICATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (5<sup>th</sup> READING)
- 2-2014 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A FY 2014 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CHIP) GRANT AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUCCESSFUL PROPOSER TO PREPARE SUCH APPLICATION AND TO ADMINISTER AND IMPLEMENT THE CHIP SHOULD THE CITY RECEIVE THE GRANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1<sup>st</sup> READING)
- 3-2014 AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOCATE FUNDS COLLECTED UNDER THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA INCOME TAX ORDINANCE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1<sup>st</sup> READING)

#### RESOLUTIONS:

- 1-2014 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO COMMEND DEE GROSSMAN FOR HER 14 YEARS OF SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA AS A MEMBER AND SECRETARY ON THE NEW PHILADELPHIA AIRPORT COMMISSION. (3<sup>rd</sup> READING)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Dan Lanzer,  
Seconded by Mr. John Zucal  
Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

The President of Council, Mr. Sam Hitchcock:

Requested Ms. Grossman come forward so he could present the framed copy of Resolution 1-2014 to Ms. Grossman.

President of Council Sam Hitchcock stated it was his pleasure to present this resolution to Ms. Grossman. The President of Council, read the resolution to her and then presented it to her. Everyone applauded.

Ms. Grossman thanked everyone and said it was a pleasure to serve the community.

- 2-2014 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO COMMEND TED GENTSCH FOR HIS 13 YEARS OF SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW PHILADELPHIA AIRPORT COMMISSION. (3<sup>rd</sup> READING)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Dan Lanzer,  
Seconded by Mr. John Zucal  
Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

The President of Council, Mr. Sam Hitchcock:

Requested Mr. Gentsch to come forward so he could present the framed copy of Resolution 2-2014 to Mr. Gentsch. President of Council Sam Hitchcock stated it was his pleasure to present this resolution to Mr. Gentsch. The President of Council read the resolution to him and then presented it to him.

Everyone applauded.

Ms. Grossman thanked everyone and said it was a pleasure and honor to serve the community.

The President of Council, Mr. Sam Hitchcock:

Said he had the opportunity to attend Airport Commission Meeting with Mr. Gentsch and Ms. Grossman and they will be big shoes to fill.

Comment from Council Member John Zucal:

Mr. Zucal said he wanted to personally thank Mr. Gentsch and Ms. Grossman for their years of service being a part of the Airport Commission. They are big shoes to fill but we are very thankful for their contribution of so much of their time.

3-2014 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO APPROVE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE AIRPORT COMMISSION FOR THE TERM OF THREE YEARS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1<sup>ST</sup> READING)

4-2014 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO APPROVE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE AIRPORT COMMISSION FOR THE TERM OF THREE YEARS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1<sup>ST</sup> READING)

**UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS:**

Comment Council Member John Zucal:

Mr. Zucal announced that the Finance Committee Chair Ms. Cox there will be a hearing on the Travel lodge Tax; He requested ample notification be given to our hospitality sites and those affected by the Lodging Tax be given enough notification so they can be present.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Service Director Mr. Jim Zucal:

I didn't hear you make mention and due to the timeliness of the nature of this being important to the Service Directors Office. The Sanitary Landfill Services and the Various Materials that we bid every year be assigned to a Committee. The President of Council, Mr. Sam Hitchcock informed Mr. Zucal that all four requests have been assigned.

Comment Council Member John Zucal:

The City is going to suffer an economic loss from the potential loss of 90 jobs from Howden Buffalo Council Member John Zucal feels someone should meet with those folks to see what we can do to keep them here. The President of Council, Mr. Sam Hitchcock informed Council Member John Zucal that a number of people including himself have tried. Mayor Johnson informed Council Member John Zucal that they have been working on this with CIC as well as other organizations.

The President of Council, Mr. Sam Hitchcock reminded all of the Public Hearing for CDBG to be held February 24th, 2014 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

MS.COX MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:22 PM.

CLERK OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

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