

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON FEBRUARY 25, 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. ROB MAURER
MS. WINNIE WALKER

COUNCILMEN JIM LOCKER AND GEORGE HOUSTON WERE ABSENT.

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT TONIGHT’S AGENDA. MR. LAUTENSCHLEGER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 5 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MR. CONNER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 11, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING. MS. COX SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 5 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. The 2007 Annual Report of the New Philadelphia City Health District.
2. Planning Commission meeting minutes of February 13, 2008.
3. New Philadelphia Records Commission meeting minutes of February 6, 2008.
4. Safety, Health, and Service Committee meeting minutes of February 11, 2008.
5. Safety, Health, and Service Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR’S REPORT.....MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that Brian Klopfer has been sworn in as auxiliary police and park police officer. Reported that he attended a public hearing on the CHIP on February 12, and a second hearing will be held in March. Reported that he met recently with Aultcare Insurance and Pipes Insurance to discuss the City’s health insurance program. Reported that he met with Service Director Gary Espenschied and representatives of ODOT concerning the traffic light project. Reported that he flew to Detroit, along with Airport Commission members, to meet with representatives of the FAA. Reported that fund raising is being held at Tuscora Park to re-do the playground area. Reported that he attended the County Police Chief’s luncheon, along with Police Chief Jeff Urban. Announced the promotion of Aaron Hixenbaugh to the position of Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor, effective March 29, due to the retirement of Jim Dinger.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that the recent snowfalls and ice have resulted in using an excessive amount of salt and overtime.

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

AUDITOR.MS. BETH GUNDY

Reported that Ordinance 9-2008, the 2008 budget, is before Council for consideration.

TREASURER MR. DAVE JOHNSON NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Explained that he received information from the Attorney Generals' office concerning Ordinance 6-2008, bids for materials. He will furnish his findings, in writing, before the ordinance's third reading.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Will meet March 11, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

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

Will meet March 11, 2008 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

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

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported that they met February 20, 2008. Minutes will be provided as they are received.

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet March 12, 2008 at noon in the Health Department.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. MS. SANDY COX NO REPORT

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER ABSENT NO REPORT

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

Scheduled a joint meeting with the Finance Committee for March 11 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss police cruisers.

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Ordinance 7-2008, access management regulations. Another meeting will be held March 10 at 6:45 P.M.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE. MR. GEORGE HOUSTON ABSENT . . . NO REPORT

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. ROBERT CONNER

Scheduled a meeting for March 11 at 5:45 P.M. to discuss records retention policy.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE MS. WINNIE WALKER NO REPORT

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE MS. ANITA EDWARDS

Reported that a market survey will be made available

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 3-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to rezone certain land located at 809 Emmet Avenue NW from Industrial to Office, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
Public Hearing to be held March 10, 2008 at 8:00 P.M.
- 4-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to vacate an unimproved, unnamed alleyway located between Lot 4097 and Lot 4058 within the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and an unnamed alley located between Lot 4097 and Lot 4068 and 4067 within the City of New Philadelphia which lots are owned by Investment Realty Properties LTD., and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
Public Hearing to be held March 10, 2008 at 8:00 P.M.
- 5-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to vacate an unnamed, unopened alley running between the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad from West High Avenue, New Philadelphia, Ohio to 11th Street NW, New Philadelphia, Ohio and ordered on the East side by property owned by Investment Realty Properties, LTD., and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
Public Hearing to be held March 24, 2008 at 8:00 P.M.
- 6-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia directing the Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into contracts with the lowest and best bidder for the City's requirements of various materials and supplies for 2008, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- 7-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to adopt an Access Management Regulation Program within the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)
- 9-2008 An ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of New Philadelphia, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008 and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:

- 38-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Service Director to increase water and sewer rates charged by the City of New Philadelphia commencing April 1, 2008, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- 2-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to create a new fund to be known as Police Continued Professional Training Fund #226, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

- 4-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, supporting the nomination of members of the New Philadelphia Fire Department for the American College of Emergency Physicians Star of Life Award. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Conner, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 5 yeas, resolution passed.
- 6-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to encourage the City of New Philadelphia to seek federal funding for flood reduction along the Beaver Dam Creek, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- 8-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Goshen Township Trustees for fire protection services from the City of New Philadelphia within Goshen Township, Ohio for the calendar year 2008 for the sum of \$77,000.00, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:52 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED March 10, 2008

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____