

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON DECEMBER 12, 2005 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: MS. SANDRA COX  
MR. BILL ELLWOOD  
MR. SAM HITCHCOCK  
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON  
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER  
MR. JIM LOCKER

COUNCILMAN ROB MAURER WAS ABSENT.

THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 28, 2005 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Certificate of Official Result of Election of Ward 3 Precinct D for the sale of wine and mixed beverages at Red Lobster.
2. Certificate of Official Result of Election of Ward 1 Precinct B for the sale of wine and mixed beverages at the New Philadelphia Elk's.
3. Finance Committee meeting minutes of November 30, 2005.
4. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for November 30, 2005.
5. The Auditor's Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for November 2005.
6. The Auditor's Financial Statement for November 2005.
7. Storm Sewer Planning Committee meeting minutes of November 22, 2005.
8. The Treasurer's Reconciliation of November 2005.
9. The Treasurer's Statement of Transactions of all city funds for November 2005.
10. The Treasurer's Summary of Transactions for the General Checking Account for November 2005.
11. The New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for November 2005.
12. Storm Sewer Planning Committee meeting minutes of December 7, 2005.
13. Salary Committee meeting minutes of November 28, 2005.

President of Council Dave Johnson thanked the Fire and Police Departments for their aid recently at an incident in his neighborhood. He also thanked the Storm Sewer Planning Committee for their diligence in compiling a list of areas that need to be addressed in the future.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT.....MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from November 28 through December 12, 2005. Reported meeting November 29 with General Services Fred Neff to discuss the recycling grant. Reported that on December 7 he attended the storm sewer planning meeting, and thanked Ms. Cox for heading up that committee. Also on December 7, he reported attending the OMEGA meeting, and congratulated Jill Lengler, formerly of OMEGA, in her new position as Regional Planning Director. Invited everyone to attend the City Christmas Party on December 21 at Tuscora Park, at a cost of \$8.50 per person for a steak dinner. He also commended the individual, who wishes to remain anonymous, for the lighting display at 4<sup>th</sup> St. and East High Avenue. He announced that the annual Christmas in the Park, sponsored by McInturf Realty, will be held Monday December 19 at Tuscora Park. He reported that he had the pleasure of reading the "Polar Express" recently at the Dennison Depot. Wished everyone a "Merry Christmas." Ms. Cox suggested that the Mayor speak with the individual who put up the lights at 4<sup>th</sup> & East High, to see if a resolution of commendation is in order.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that the sanitary sewer project to the sewer plant is 50% complete. Reported that the slip repair at Snazzy Circle is about 70% complete. He requested that Mr. Johnson assign the possible logging above Snazzy Circle.

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

AUDITOR. . . . . MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested approval of her November reports. She also requested that Ordinance 40-2005 be amended to change the dollar amount in a particular line item. Informed Council that she will have a final appropriation ordinance at the last meeting of the year, mostly decreases in line items.

TREASURER . . . . . MR. MIKE TAYLOR

Requested approval of his November reports.

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that he sent letters to Dover & Uhrichsville concerning ASCAP, and is awaiting a response. Reported that he is attempting to set up a meeting with the Airport Manager to discuss Ordinance 34-2005. Reported that a release form has been sent to Gradall for the Beaverdam cleanup project.

Mr. Hitchcock made a motion to approve both the Treasurer's and Auditor's reports. Ms. Cox seconded the motion. Roll call, 6 yeas, motion passed.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Reported that the December 14 meeting was cancelled due to no business on the agenda.

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

Will meet December 13, 2005 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

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

Will meet January 10, 2006.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER . . . . . NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDRA COX

Will meet December 14, 2005 in the Health Department at 12:00 PM.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDRA COX.

Reported meeting Wednesday November 30 to review the temporary budget and Ordinance 40-2005. Each ordinance was reviewed and approved by Committee. Reported that the Storm Sewer Planning Committee met December 7 to review the problem areas within the city. A priority list was prepared, and money will be set aside each year in the budget to work on these areas when the city is financially able to work on them.

SALARY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIM LOCKER . . . . . NO REPORT

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

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Codified Ordinance 907, display of house numbers. The Committee asked that Safety Director Greg Popham meet with the Police Chief and Fire Chief and Service Director to come up with suggestions. The Committee will meet again on Thursday, December 29.

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. . . MR. ROB MAURER. . .ABSENT . . NO REPORT

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

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. BILL ELLWOOD . . . . . NO REPORT

Reported that the problem with the internet provider has been resolved.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss funding for a study for the Beaverdam Creek area. The Committee will have a resolution prepared to show council's support for federal funding. Also discussed was Resolution 36-2005, and the Committee gave their support. The Committee also addressed music copyright laws through ASCAP. Law Director Mike Johnson is waiting to hear from Dover and Uhrichsville to determine how to proceed. President of Council Johnson assigned the logging issue off Snazzy Circle.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Charles Warner, 406 Springbrook Dr. SW, New Philadelphia, said the sump hole on Springbrook Dr. has been ongoing for over thirty years, and he would like to see it moved up in priority. He said the longer the city waits, the more expensive the project will be.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

34-2005 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2005 and declaring an emergency. (4th Reading)

Mr. Locker made a motion to pass this ordinance. The motion died for lack of a second. Ms. Cox made a motion to table this ordinance. Mr. Ellwood seconded the motion. Roll call, 5 yeas 1 nay (Locker), motion passed.

39-2005 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to enact a pay raise to all crossing guards, park security personnel and seasonal employees in the amount of 3.0% increase for the calendar year 2006, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

40-2005 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2005 and declaring an emergency. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

Motion to amend made by Ms. Cox. Mr. Hitchcock seconded by Mr. Hitchcock. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance amended.

Ms. Cox made a motion to suspend the rules made by, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 6 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Ellwood. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance passed.

41-2005 An ordinance to make temporary appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of New Philadelphia, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Ellwood. Roll call, 6 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Ellwood. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance passed.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

34-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend James Ullis for his years of service through the New Philadelphia Health Department, and declaring an emergency. (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Hitchcock, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 6 yeas, resolution passed.

36-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio endorsing the development of the Tuscarawas County Trail & Green Space Plan for Tuscarawas County, Ohio. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

37-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Sam Hitchcock for his years of service through the New Philadelphia City Council, and declaring an emergency. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

38-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend William Ellwood for his years of service through the New Philadelphia City Council, and declaring an emergency. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

39-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to transfer funds from the General Fund (#101 to the CDBG Fund (#287) to supplement cash needed to fund current operations, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Mr. Johnson assigned this to the Finance Committee.

40-2005

A resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Mr. Johnson assigned this to the Finance Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Brodzinski said he had the pleasure of attending the kick-off drive for funding of a new Salvation Army facility which will be in New Philadelphia, and congratulated Starlight for their 50 years of service to the community.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Johnson wished everyone a “Merry Christmas & Happy New Year”.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:16 P.M.

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

APPROVED December 29, 2005

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