

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN SPECIAL SESSION ON  
DECEMBER 18, 2002 AT 8:00 A.M. IN THE MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: MR. ART CICCONETTI  
MS. SANDRA COX  
MR. JOEL DAY  
MR. SAM HITCHCOCK  
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON  
MR. JIM LOCKER  
MR. ROB MAURER

COUNCIL PRESIDENT DAVE JOHNSON EXPLAINED THAT THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS TO TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE 97-2002 OR RESOLUTION 36-2002, ACCEPTING OR OBJECTING TO THE FACTFINDER'S REPORT FOR POLICE NEGOTIATIONS.

MR. HOUSTON MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. MR. HITCHCOCK SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED. COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:02 A.M. COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 9:07 A.M.

Mr. Cicconetti made a motion to allow Ordinance 97-2002 to be read without the observance of the 48-hour rule for receiving of ordinances by Council. Mr. Maurer seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

97-2002 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to object to Factfinder Robert G. Stein's factfinding report and recommendation for a successor collective bargaining agreement in Case Number 02-MED08-0744, 02-MED08-0745, and 02-MED08-0746, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Ms. Cox made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Maurer. Roll call, 5 yeas 2 nays (Houston & Hitchcock), suspension of rules failed.

Ms. Cox made a motion to allow Resolution 36-2002 to be read without the observance of the 48-hour rule for receiving of ordinances by Council. Mr. Locker seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

Mr. Day said he would vote against this ordinance because he is against the requested 3% wage increase for the first year of the contract. Mr. Hitchcock said he doesn't agree with everything in the contract, but it will cost the city if it goes to arbitration, and the FOP may still get everything they've requested, so he is going to support the ordinance. Ms. Cox agreed with Mr. Hitchcock. Mr. Houston said he is opposed to this contract, too, because the city cannot afford to grant the FOP everything spelled out in the contract.

RESOLUTIONS:

36-2002 This resolution adopted by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio does hereby adopt the December 14, 2002 Factfinder Robert G. Stein's report and recommendation for a successor collective bargaining agreement, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Mr. Cicconetti made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

Mr. Cicconetti made a motion to vote on passage, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 5 yeas 2 nays (Houston & Day), resolution passed.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:17 A.M.

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

APPROVED December 23, 2002

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