

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JANUARY 24, 2022 WITH PRESIDENT DON KEMP PRESIDING. PRESIDENT KEMP OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

MR. DEAN HOLLAND
MR. DAN LANZER
MRS. AIMEE MAY
MR. MITCH PACE
MRS. CHERYL RAMOS
MR. KELLY RICKLIC
MR. JIM SELDENRIGHT

EXCUSED ABSENSES

MR. GREG POPHAM

- MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED TO ADD ORDINANCE 1-2022 TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED TO ADD RESOLUTION 1-2022, RESOLUTION 2-2022, RESOLUTION 3-2022, RESOLUTION 4-2022, RESOLUTION 5-2022, AND RESOLUTION 6-2022 TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
ORDINANCE 1-2022, RESOLUTION 1-2022, RESOLUTION 2-2022, RESOLUTION 3-2022, RESOLUTION 4-2022, RESOLUTION 5-2022, AND RESOLUTION 6-2022 HAVE BEEN ADDED TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA
- MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED TO ACCEPT TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
TONIGHT’S AGENDA HAS BEEN ACCEPTED
- MRS. RAMOS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 10, 2022 REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS (MR. RICKLIC ABSTAINED)
MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 10, 2022 REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL HAVE BEEN APPROVED

CORRESPONDENCE..... CLERK, JULIE COURTRIGHT

1. *To Council Clerk from Treasurer Gerber, dated January 10, 2022. This is the City of New Philadelphia December 2021 Deposits to the General Account*
2. *To Councilman Ricklic from President Kemp, dated January 13, 2022. This is a forwarded email titled 2022 Material Bids. It states “Kelly, please take this request into your Committee”.*
3. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated January 12, 2022. This is a forwarded email and the subject is “American Rescue Plan Guidebook Presentation”.*
4. *To Council Clerk from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control. This was mailed on January 18, 2022. It says “postmark must be dated no later than February 18, 2022”. This is a Notice of Legislative Authority for a C1 and C2 Liquor License Request to Tomas J. Ajualip DBA Lopez and Cobo, 118 N. Broadway St. 1st Floor New Philadelphia, Oh. 44663. It states “Please complete and return this form to the Division of Liquor Control whether or not there is a request for a hearing.*
5. *To Council Clerk from Jen Boger with the Ohio Ethics Commission. This is an Ohio Ethics Commission Filing Reminder. I forwarded this to all of Council and Administration.*
6. *To Councilman Ricklic from President Kemp, dated January 21, 2022. This is a forwarded email. It states “Please assign for Monday”. It has Resolutions 1 through 6 as attachments.*

7. *To Council and Administration from Auditor Gundy, dated January 19, 2022. This is an email and the subject is Revenues as of December 31, 2021.*
8. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated January 24, 2022. The Mayor's Report.*

MAYOR'S REPORT/REQUESTSMAYOR JOEL B. DAY

Mayor Day had the following report:

- **The Ripple Effect from Intel Making Central Ohio the Next Silicon Valley:** Friday's announcement that Intel will build two computer chip manufacturing plants in Licking County will likely turn the Columbus-Newark area into America's next Silicon Valley. And I have no doubt that the economic benefits that come with Intel will also extend into Tuscarawas County and New Philadelphia because of our locations along Interstate 77. Suppliers to Intel no longer must be in China or India. They can be in our county and our City, less than two hours away from the two chip plants. The challenge now is for us to reach out to those suppliers, to let them know of the benefits of our location and our quality of life. My administration and City Council have been preparing New Philadelphia for such an opportunity: by improving our infrastructure, building bike and pedestrian paths and boat ramps along the Tuscarawas River, revitalizing our downtown, and supporting Kent State-Tuscarawas and our school systems, which will educate and train the next generation of skilled workers. I have always believed that the assets we have in our community make it competitive and the best City in the county to live, raise a family and do business.
- **Requesting a Downtown Assessment from Heritage Ohio:** This week members of the New Philadelphia Business and Community Association's Board of Directors and myself will have a Zoom meeting with Francis Jo Hamilton, the director of revitalization for Heritage Ohio. We will discuss having Heritage Ohio do an assessment of downtown New Philadelphia. The NPBCA is looking for advice on how to redirect the organization so it can reverse a lack of participation by businesses and community members. An assessment would give an honest opinion of our downtown's strengths and weaknesses, and what it will take to put together a solid plan for growth and sustainability. If the group decides to go forward, from the mayor's Economic Development budget the City would contribute \$2,500.00 of the assessment's \$5,000.00 cost. The balance would be paid by the NPBCA. For more information about a downtown assessment, visit www.heritageohio.org.
- **New Beacon to be Installed for Harry Clever Field:** The City has received a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration to pay 100% of the cost of erecting a new airport beacon on Tech Park Drive NE. The beacon will be located on City property near the water reservoir at the top of the hill. The cost is \$77,970.00. The work will be done by Perram Electric of Wadsworth, the low bidder on the project. The new beacon will utilize the latest illumination technology to make nighttime navigation to Harry Clever Field safer for aviators. The City Airport Commission is also working to have the taxiways and field lighting upgraded over the next two years.
- **New Contract Negotiations Resume with the City's Bargaining Units:** On Friday, the City administration's bargaining team will resume its negotiations on a new three-year contract with the FOP police units. Negotiations with the IAFF firefighter's union will resume next Monday, January 31st. Talks with the service and clerical units of the City's American Federation of State, County and Municipal workers union will continue in February. Negotiations on new three-year agreements were put on hold until the City received updated health insurance information. All units are working under extensions of the contracts that expired on December 31st.
- **Commending the Bravery and Commitment of Two of our Own:** New Philadelphia is blessed to have people who care about the welfare of others. Tonight (Monday) I want to honor two such people for their actions with letters of commendation. Cheryl Graham is being commended for her many years of dedication and service to our schools and community, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Mrs. Cheryl Graham has baked and delivered cookies and brownies to the New Philadelphia Police and Fire Departments since the beginning of the pandemic in March of 2020. City firefighter Brock Burris is being commended for his life-saving action on the evening of December 18th, 2021.

The letters read as follows:

On behalf of the residents of the City of New Philadelphia, Mayor Joel B. Day is pleased to commend

CHERYL GRAHAM for her many years of dedication and service to our schools and community, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Mrs. Cheryl Graham has baked and delivered cookies and brownies to the New Philadelphia Police and Fire Departments since the beginning of the pandemic in March of 2020. She faithfully shows up at the front doors of the Police and Fire Stations every Monday morning to deliver her homemade goodies, with a bright smile and encouraging note. We are grateful for Mrs. Graham's concern for the welfare of the City's first responders.

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BROCK BURRIS for his heroic actions on December 18, 2021. Late that evening, Firefighter/Paramedic Burris and his wife were returning home from dinner, driving on South Broadway. As they drove past the ball fields on Mill Avenue, Brock saw what appeared to be a person lying in the tall grass alongside the bank near the Tuscarawas River. He turned his car around and went back to the area, where he found an adult male lying unresponsive, face down in the mud. Brock’s wife called 911 as Brock initiated patient care by opening the man’s airway so he could breathe. Paramedics from the Fire Department soon arrived. They secured the patient’s airway and transported him to the Emergency Room at Cleveland Clinic Union Hospital. Because of Brock’s concern and training, the patient made a full recovery and had the opportunity to enjoy the holidays with his family.

- Mayor Day invited Mrs. Graham and Mr. Burris to the podium to be presented with their official commendations.

Mr. Ricklic had the following comment:

Brock, I want to commend you for going above and beyond the call of duty when you were off work. I’m glad that you’re on our fire department, and I’m sure the man you saved is very glad you were there that night. Any time you can save a person’s life, it’s more than you can ever give to anybody and their family. I’d also like to thank Cheryl. Even though I’ve never played a musical instrument and I cannot sing, I did marry someone who could. Also, thank you very much for your years of service to New Philadelphia through the School District and the Citizens.

President Kemp had the following comment:

You two make us proud to be part of New Philadelphia. You guys do great work and great things.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. RON MCABIER

Mr. McAbier had the following report:

I’m going to go over some projects that we’ll be doing this year. Park Lane Drive, we’ll be doing a waterline improvement. We’ll be installing a 12 inch line and approximately 500 feet of 6 inch line up there. That will start in July and that should last for about 4 weeks. Another one that we will start again at around the same time is the Glen Drive improvements. On the Park Lane Drive Project, we have a \$287,000 grant from the OPWC. Every two years CDBG comes around. This year we’ll be doing work. We have curb work to do on 2nd Street and we’ll do curbs and sidewalks on North Drive. We may still start a big storm sewer project. We know with High Street and 4th Street there’s a lot of flooding that happens there. We’ll definitely be getting through Phase 1. I would also like to commend the guys who drove the plow trucks after the Winter Storm last week. They did a great job.

Councilman Lanzer and Councilwoman Ramos both stated that the roads were plowed very well after the Winter Storm.

Mr. Ricklic had the following question:

The curb and sidewalk projects, are you going north of North Avenue or south of North Avenue? Mr. Ricklic also stated that the plow crews did very well clearing snow from the City street.

Mr. McAbier had the following response:

I’m going north.

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY.....NO REPORT

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

TREASURER MR. TOM GERBER.....NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MARVIN FETE.....NO REPORT

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR JOEL DAY

The Planning Commission will be meeting here in Council Chambers on February 8th at 1:00 PM. The Law Director’s Presentation on Air B&Bs will be on the Agenda, and anything else that occurs between now and then.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. RON MCABIER

The Board of Zoning Appeals met Tuesday, January 11th at 5:00 PM here in Council Chambers with one Variance Request to be heard. The address 1184 Tuscarawas Avenue NW. Non-compliant with 1167-09b78. After a lengthy discussion and a motion to amend what they had. The motion was made to make them move a sign post back 10 feet from the sidewalk for site visibility. The allowed the overage of signage but they made them move the sign on a 4-0 vote.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM SELDENRIGHT.....NO REPORT

PARK BOARD.....MR. MITCH PACE.....NO REPORT

CEMETERY BOARD.....MR. MITCH PACE....NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD MR. DEAN HOLLAND

The Health Board will be meeting on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at Noon in Council Chambers. Also, the Health Department has Covid test kits available. They just got a shipment in. I spoke with Vickie Ionno this afternoon and she said she's ready to get those passed out. Also, there are appointments for Covid vaccines. They have all the vaccines available in the Health Department now. You just need to call and schedule an appointment. One thing I wanted to make everyone aware of if you're not. Through FEMA we've had a number of deaths here in our City from Covid. FEMA will reimburse funeral expenses. There are guidelines, you just have to go online at fema.com. FEMA will reimburse everyone up to \$9,000 I believe. All the guidelines are listed on the website. I would encourage everyone if they had a death in the family, or if you know someone, make sure that they're aware that reimbursement is available.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEEMR. KELLY RICKLIC

Mr. Ricklic had the following report:

The Finance Committee met this evening at 7:15 PM. We had several items on the Agenda. The first one is the material bids, Proposed Ordinance 1-2022. This is just a housekeeping Ordinance. It allows the Service Director to go out and bid for the materials needed for the City. The next items that were on the Agenda were City vehicles Resolution 1-2022 through Resolution 6-2022. Two vehicles for the Park Department, two for the Sanitation Department, one for the Street Department, and one for the Wastewater Department. We discussed those items together and made sure that the line items were matched up with proper funds in the temporary budget. We made motions on both of these items to add them to the Agenda tonight and pass on 1st Reading. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM.

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JIM SELDENRIGHT

Mr. Seldenright had the following report:

The Salary Committee met this evening at 6:45 PM to discuss pay rates for two part-time custodians. After that we discussed two Assistant Supervisor positions. That will be tabled for the next meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.....MR. DAN LANZER.....NO REPORT

SAFETY HEALTH & SERVICE COMMITTEE... .MR. DEAN HOLLAND.....NO REPORT

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

SPECIAL & CONTACT COMMITTEEMRS. AIMEE MAY.....NO REPORT

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE.....MR. MITCH PACE.....NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Holland had the following comment:

There are several departments located in this building. They are maxxed out as far as space. It's been suggested that perhaps City Council move from the present chambers to the 3rd floor. I know the Mayor is looking into this. That would allow Service Department personnel to move into this area. That would be more accessible for the Citizens who come to City Hall. It would require some remodeling and I would encourage the Mayor to look at a plan for that recognizing the growth in the City and the necessity for space here in City Hall and in the Courts Building and the Police Station. That need is growing. It may be time for us to start thinking about a new City Hall. The opportunity may present itself as we move along. I know the Mayor would like to see something along those lines.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES:

1-2022 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 2022

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON ORDINANCE 1-2022
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON ORDINANCE 1-2022

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 1-2022
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
ORDINANCE 1-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

RESOLUTIONS:

1-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FERRIS CHEVROLET TO PURCHASE A 2022 CHEVY SILVARADO 3500HD 4WD AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE PARK DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$43,875.00.

1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON ORDINANCE 1-2022
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 1-2022

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 1-2022
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS

RESOLUTION 2-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

2-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FERRIS CHEVROLET TO PURCHASE A 2022 CHEVY SILVARADO 1500 LTD 4WD AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE PARK DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$31,895.00

1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON RESOLUTION 2-2022

MR. SELDENRIGHT SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 2-2022

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2-2022

MR. PACE SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

RESOLUTION 2-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

3-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FERRIS CHEVROLET TO PURCHASE TWO 2022 CHEVROLET PICK-UP TRUCKS 2500HD SILVARADOS, MODEL CK20753 AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT, FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$35,723.00 EACH.

1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON RESOLUTION 3-2022

MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 3-2022

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 3-2022

MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

RESOLUTION 3-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

4-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHEASTERN EQUIPMENT TO PURCHASE A 2022 VACALL FREIGHTLINER, MODEL 114SD/SFA AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$375,000.00

1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON RESOLUTION 4-2022

MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

RESOLUTION 4-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

Mr. McAbier noted that the Vacall is made right in the City at Gradall.

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 4-2022

MR. PACE SECONDED THE MOTION

7 YEAS

RESOLUTION 4-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

5-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FERRIS CHEVROLET TO PURCHASE A 2022 CHEVROLET SILVARADO, MODEL

CK20753 AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT THROUGH THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, FOR THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$35,723.00.

1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON RESOLUTION 5-2022
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 5-2022

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 5-2022
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
RESOLUTION 5-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

6-2022

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BRECHBUHLER TRUCK SALES LLC TO PURCHASE A 2023 HINO L74 x 2 LEGACY 3S 20 YARD PACKER AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$166,000.00.

1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON RESOLUTION 6-2022
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
RESOLUTION 6-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 6-2022
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
7 YEAS
RESOLUTION 6-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. McAbier had the following comment:

Mr. President, can I ask you to assign to the appropriate Committee the Assistant Wastewater Superintendent and the Sanitation Rate Increase.

Mr. Holland motioned to adjourn at 8:21 PM.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____
Julie Courtright

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____
Don Kemp