

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON NOVEMBER 28, 2022 WITH PRESIDENT KEMP PRESIDING. COUNCILMAN HOLLAND 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

EXCUSED ABSENCES

MR. JIM SELDENRIGHT

- MRS. MAY MOTIONED TO ADD RESOLUTION 37-2022 TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MR. PACE SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RESOLUTION 37-2022 HAS BEEN ADDED TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA
- MR. HOLLAND MOTIONED ADD RESOLUTION 36-2022 TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RESOLUTION 36-2022 HAS BEEN ADDED TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA
- MR. HOLLAND MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED
MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
TONIGHTS AGENDA HAS BEEN APPROVED
- MR. LANZER MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 14, 2022 REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
MRS. RAMOS SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 14, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING HAVE BEEN APPROVED

CORRESPONDENCE..... CLERK, JULIE COURTRIGHT

1. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated November 18, 2022. This is a forwarded email titled “Use Agreements for City Owned Property” which was originally sent by Supt. Amy Wentworth. This email was replied to by Mr. Ricklic and Mr. Holland.*
2. *To Council and Administration from Auditor Gundy, dated November 28, 2022. This is an email titled “AEP Bills” with the attachment titled “2022 Street Lighting”.*
3. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated November 28, 2022. The Mayor’s Report*

MAYOR’S REPORT/REQUESTSMAYOR JOEL B. DAY

- *More Data Gathering for the County’s Appalachian Technical Assistance Grant:*

Earlier today (Monday) in City Council’s chamber, the Ohio Mid-Eastern Governments Association (OMEGA) continued to gather information on the county projects that could be submitted for technical assistance grant funding from the Ohio Department of Development’s Appalachian Development Program. As the lead applicant for the \$250,000.00 grant, OMEGA has taken on the task of melding all the projects into a single county-wide project to submit as required by the program’s guidelines. If approved, the money would be used to create a plan to implement the county-wide project. The plan would then be submitted for development funding. Each of Ohio’s 32 Appalachian counties could be eligible to receive at least \$17 million dollars for construction. New Philadelphia has joined the City of Dover, the Village of Zoar, the Tuscarawas County Parks Department and the Ohio and Erie Canalway Coalition to create a project to finish construction of the Canal Towpath Trail from Zoarville to the trail’s southern terminus in New Philadelphia.

Other projects in the county include upgrading the rail line between Dennison and Newcomerstown to run additional train rides from the Historic Dennison Depot, creating mobile units to increase access to public health services in rural areas, revitalizing downtowns and workforce development. The deadline for OMEGA to submit its application is December 9th.

➤ *Strategic Plans in the Works:*

I want to make you aware of a couple of strategic plans that are being developed and will help the City of New Philadelphia.

Funds remaining from closing the New Philadelphia Business and Community Association non-profit organization are being used to pay the Aegis 360 consulting firm to create a strategic plan to guide downtown improvements. If you haven't already, you can share your thoughts on the improvements by taking an online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XWJCYL9>. A Steering Committee made up of business and community leaders will review the results of the survey and use the data to develop the plan.

The other strategic plan is being created to help the Tuscarawas County Economic Development and Finance Alliance (port authority) improve its economic development efforts. Assisting in that plan's development is consultant Mark Babash of the Ohio Economic Development Institute. He has divided the plan into three categories: Business Retention and Expansion, Business Attraction and Entrepreneurship. I have participated in two days of the development sessions. I've found them to be very productive. The plan that results from them should give the EDFA a clear direction for focusing its future economic development efforts for our county.

➤ *Santa's Coming to New Philadelphia for Our Annual Christmas Parade:*

The official start of our Yuletide season celebration is this Friday, December 2nd, when the City's annual Christmas parade steps off at 6:30pm on North Broadway at Tuscora Avenue NW. Santa will follow the parade units as they travel to the downtown square, then turn onto West High Avenue. Following the parade, he will stop by the Tuscarawas County Library on Fair Avenue NW, where free cookies and hot chocolate will be served.

Children can visit Santa at his house on the downtown Gavin's quadrant from 5 – 7pm on the following days: December 3rd, 10th and 17th. They can also write letters to Santa until December 18th. His North Pole mailbox is located next to Santa's house. Don't forget to include a return address on the envelope to receive a reply from the Jolly Old Elf.

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES. SHOP LOCALLY THIS HOLIDAY!

Service Director Ron McAber:

I want to bring everybody up to date on the Park Lane Waterline Project. It was reported in the last meeting that we were going to get the services in. That was done by Tucson. Today they're down at the Lakeview end working on the 6-inch tap that runs up to Seven Mile Drive, and also on Park Lane. I just want to say, reaffirming the fact that needed done, on Thanksgiving we had a leak, and we weren't tied over to that new line, so we had to go out and fix one last leak on that line. Tomorrow, Newton's Asphalt will come in and get half of the base down, put the other half down on Wednesday, and top it on Thursday. Also, on December 15th we had a Board of Control Meeting to award the contract for Phase 1 of the Storm Sewer Project at Franklin Square. That was awarded to Woodfield Construction in the amount of \$650,532.00. That was 5% under engineer's cost estimate. Also, leaf pick-up will start tomorrow on the parade route. They'll start that tomorrow until that's finished up. They'll continue to do them throughout the City. Also, at the last meeting we talked about Buckeye Career Center working on the gazebo quadrant on the Square.

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY.....NO REPORT

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM.....NO REPORT

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

LAW DIRECTOR.....MR. MARVIN FETE

My new Chief Prosecutor is on vacation this week. We've got two big candidates that we're going to be interviewing as soon as he gets back. Today we've got it covered between Heidi and myself. We spent the entire afternoon in the Municipal Court. I am asking for Ordinance 22-2022 to be passed tonight. It's taking money from my Law Director's budget and moving it over to the Prosecutor's Budget. We had some shortfall this year because we had an increase in having to appoint special prosecutors. I also support the passage of Resolution 37-2022. It's the support of maintaining DNP 102.3. It's the only non-profit radio station that we have in Tuscarawas County staffed by an all volunteer staff. Something that a lot of people don't know is the station is also an educational tool. For those who are interested in learning about radio broadcasts, anybody's welcome. I would love to see them in the future partner with Kent State. Now is the time for public comment, and I believe we have a great voice and can use it by supporting this Resolution tonight.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR JOEL DAY

The Planning Commission will be meeting on Tuesday, December 13 at 1:00 PM in Council Chambers, provided we have something on the Agenda.

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

The Board of Zoning Appeals will be meeting on Tuesday, December 13 at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM SELDENRIGHT.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

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 December 14 at Noon in Council Chambers.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEEMR. KELLY RICKLIC

Mr. Ricklic had the following report:

The Finance Committee met this evening at 5:30 PM with two items on the Agenda. First, the Budget for 2023. We completed going through the Budget. We have directed the Law Director to draw up the Legislation and to have it ready for our December 12th Meeting. The second item on the Agenda was the sale of the Fire ladder truck. We had been instructed that it had been sold and we just need the legislation. We had instructed the Law Director to also draw up the Legislation for that and have it ready for our December 12th Meeting. The other item here is that we'll have another Meeting scheduled on December 12 at 6:45 PM to discuss the adjustment of the 2023 Budget. The Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM.

PUBLIC WORKS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE...MR. DAN LANZER...NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND

Mr. Holland had the following report:

The Safety, Health, and Service Committee met here in Council Chambers this evening at 7:25 to review Resolution 36-2022. The Resolution was approved by the Ambulance Committee to maintain the ambulance service rates for 2023 as they are in the current fiscal year. The Meeting adjourned at 7:26.

ZONING AND ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.....MRS. CHERYL RAMOS

Mrs. Ramos had the following report:

The Committee will meet on December 12, 2022 at 7:00 PM to consider an annexation request of two parcels on Commercial Avenue SW.

SALARY COMMITTEE.....MR. JIM SELDENRIGHT.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

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

SPECIAL AND CONTACT COMMITTEE.....MRS. AIMEE MAY

Mrs. May had the following report:

The Committee met this evening at 7:10 PM to discuss Resolution 37-2022, which is a Resolution in support of maintaining DNP 102.3 FM as a local non-profit community radio station. The Committee voted to add that Resolution to tonight's Agenda and suspend the rules to pass it upon 1st Reading.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

COUNCIL COMMENTS

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES:

22-2022 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO, AMENDING AND ADJUSTING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR THE YEAR 2022
2nd Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON

ORDINANCE 22-2022
MR. PACE SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON ORDINANCE 22-2022

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 22-2022
MR. PACE SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
ORDINANCE 22-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

RESOLUTIONS:

28-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO, ADOPTING THE TUSCARAWAS COUNTY 2022 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AS THE OFFICIAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO.
2nd Reading

34-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO APPROVING THE STARK-TUSCARAWAS-WAYNE- JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT'S 2023 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE
2nd Reading

35-2022 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OHIO MID-EASTERN GOVERNMENT'S ASSOCIATION (OMEGA) TO SERVE AS THE LEAD TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM IN TUSCARAWAS COUNTY
2nd Reading

MR. LANZER MOTIONED FOR THE RULES TO BE SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 35-2022
MR. PACE SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 35-2022

MR. LANZER MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 35-2022
MR. PACE SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RESOLUTION 35-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

36-2022 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO, TO AUTHORIZE A RATE INCREASE FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE NEW PHILADELPHIA FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023.
1st Reading

MR. HOLLAND MOTIONED THAT RULES BY SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 36-2022
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 36-2022

MR. HOLLAND MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 36-2022
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION

6 YEAS
RESOLUTION 36-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

37-2022 A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAINTAINING WDNP
102.3 FM AS A LOCAL NONPROFIT COMMUNITY
RADIO STATION
1st Reading

MRS. MAY MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON
RESOLUTION 37-2022
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 37-2022

MRS. MAY MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION
37-2022
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
5 YEAS 1 NAY (MRS. RAMOS)
RESOLUTION 37-2022 HAS BEEN APPROVED

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

With no other business to discuss Mr. Holland motioned to adjourn at 7:55 PM.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____
Julie Courtright

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____
Don Kemp

