

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JANUARY 8, 2007 AT 6:00 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: MR. ROBERT CONNER  
MS. SANDY COX  
MR. JIMMY EICHEL  
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON  
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER  
MR. JIM LOCKER  
MR. ROB MAURER

THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 28, 2006 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Certificate of Official Result of Election on local option for Sunday liquor sales at Buehler Food Market, 417 South Broadway, New Philadelphia, OH.
2. Certificate of Result of Election on tax levy in excess of the ten mill limitation for trash pick up and sanitation department operation.
3. Safety, Health, and Service Committee meeting minutes of December 28, 2006.
4. The Treasurer's Reconciliation for December 2006.
5. The Treasurer's Statement of Transactions of all City funds for December 2006.
6. The Treasurer's Summary of Transactions for the General Checking Account for December 2006.
7. The Auditor's Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for December and all of 2006.
8. The Auditor's Financial Statement for December 2006.
9. The New Philadelphia Fire Department Type of Alarm Report for December 2006.
10. The New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for December 2006.
11. Airport Commission meeting minutes of December 12, 2006.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

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

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from December 28, 2006 through January 8, 2007. Reported that a meeting was held January 4, 2007 concerning the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Tuscora Park. Reported that a contest will be held for a logo to commemorate the celebration. Requested an Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations and land acquisition. Complimented the Service Director for receiving a letter from the EPA stating that the city garage site cleanup requires no further action.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that a pre-construction meeting will be held January 11, 2007 at 2:00 P.M. for the waterline replacement on West High Avenue. He informed Council that this will be a big project with lane closings and detours.

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

AUDITOR. . . . .MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested approval of her December reports.

TREASURER . . . . . MR. MIKE TAYLOR

Requested approval of his December reports. Mr. Eichel made a motion to approve the reports. Mr. Conner seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed. Ms. Cox made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations and land acquisition, seconded by Mr. Eichel. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MIKE JOHNSON . . . . . NO REPORT

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE . . . . . MS. JESSICA KOPELWITZ

Reported that the Christmas decorations will be taken down this Saturday January 13 at 9:00 A.M. Invited Council to attend Main Street's year end evaluation on February 15. Reported that they continue, along with the General Services Department, to work on electricity problems in the downtown area.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Reported that the January 10, 2007 meeting was cancelled due to lack of business.

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

Will meet January 9, 2007 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting December 12, 2006. Reported that a special meeting will be held in the next few weeks regarding county involvement in the future of the airport. Reported that a meeting will be held January 29 at 6:30 P.M. concerning the hangar contracts.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Will meet January 25, 2007 at 7:00 P.M.

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet January 10, 2007 in the Health Department at 12:00 PM.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDY COX . . . . . NO REPORT

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

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . MR. ROB MAURER . . . . . NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned Ordinance 1-2007, health care benefits for all non-bargaining unit employees.

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. . . MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER . . .

Will meet January 22, 2007 at 6:30 P.M. to discuss the downtown tree maintenance and a proposal for ASCAP.  
Mr. Johnson assigned the issue of electricity problems in the downtown area.

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

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. ROBERT CONNER . . . . . NO REPORT

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIMMY EICHEL . . . . . NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Campbell, 148 Seagull Lane, SE New Philadelphia, Adjutant of the Army-Navy Club, asked the status of the liquor permit for their location on Front St. Law Director Mike Johnson explained that a hearing was held in December, and we have not yet received a decision.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

1-2007            An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize a contract for health care benefits between the City of New Philadelphia and all non-bargaining unit employees with health and medical insurance under three Aultcare plan options, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:            NONE

AT 6:20 P.M. COUNCIL ADJOURNED FROM REGULAR SESSION INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND LAND ACQUISITION. COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 6:37 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS:            NONE

NEW BUSINESS:            NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:38 P.M.

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

APPROVED January 22, 2007

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