

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JANUARY 24, 2011, WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, JOEL DAY, PRESIDING. MR. DAY OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, JOEL DAY ANNOUNCED COUNCIL MEMBER, MR. JIM LOCKER IS EXCUSED FROM TONIGHT'S COUNCIL MEETING. THE LAW DIRECTOR, MIKE JOHNSON IS ALSO EXCUSED FROM TONIGHT'S COUNCIL MEETING.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

MS. SANDY COX
MS. COLLEEN ESPENSCHIED
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER
MR. ROB MAURER
MS. WINNIE WALKER
MR. JOHN ZUCAL

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT TONIGHT'S AGENDA.
MS. WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 6 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MS. ESPENSCHIED MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SESSION HELD JANUARY 10, 2011. MS. WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION.
ROLL CALL, 6 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK, PATRICIA MCKAY

1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from January 10, 2011
2. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from January 18, 2011.
3. An invitation for Municipal Officials from Robert Tribby, Mayfield Heights, President of Ohio Municipal League for
The Ohio Municipal League Legislative Luncheon on Tuesday March 22, 2011. Registration will begin at 11:30 AM. The Lunch will begin at noon and the program will conclude around 1:30 PM. The Legislative Luncheon is to honor all members of the 129th General Assembly and will be held in the Statehouse Atrium.
4. News release in regard to the Towpath Trail Public meeting set for January 24th, 2011. The Ohio & Erie Canal way Coalition in partnership with the Tuscarawas County Commissioners, City of New Philadelphia and City of Dover scheduled a public meeting to present the proposed route of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail from Zoarville to the Cities of Dover and New Philadelphia on Monday January 24th at 6:00 PM at the Park Pavilion at Tuscora Park, 161 Tuscora Avenue, New Philadelphia, Ohio and 7:30 PM at Memorial Hall at 410 North Wooster Avenue in Dover.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR’S REPORT/REQUEST.....MAYOR MICHAEL TAYLOR

The Mayor addressed Council on the following:

- The reappointment of Barbara Schwartz to the Board of Health for a five year term effective February 1, 2011.
- The Mayor announced that the construction of the Golden Corral Restaurant on Mill Avenue near the entrance to Lowe’s. should begin March or April of this year. The new restaurant will employ about 70 people and estimated annual sales are at \$3.5 million.
- The budgets are in the process of being put together and he will be meeting with the Safety Forces and the departments that report to the Service Director later this week to review their proposed budgets. The Mayor announced that the goal is to hold the budgets to the 2010 levels with the exception of Personnel Related Expenses.

SERVICE Director.....MR. JIM ZUCAL

The Service Director reported the following:

- Plans were approved for major renovations to the Hospice of Tuscarawas County structure located on Commercial Avenue SW, New Philadelphia, Ohio.
- The Farm Lease Agreement has been forwarded to the Law Director. The lease increased from \$1,500 per year to \$6,379 per year. This is a three year lease with an option to renew for an additional 3 years.
- The Cemetery Superintendent’s Report for the month of December 2010 was placed in everyone’s mail box.

Council member, Sandy Cox announced that “she read in Roads/Bridges that by 2018 all street signs must be converted to the upper and lower case.”

Ms. Cox asked the Service Director if we are starting to change the street signs out as we need to replace one or are we going to wait.

The Service Director replied “we have , and as we are forwarded changes such policies as these we do implement those so we have changed our signs and are continuing to work on that as we take them down and put new ones up. There are some restrictions.

Ms. Cox, “Are we going to have an awful lot to change?”

Mr. Zucal, “typically those orders will come thru ODOT.” They will forward those to him and he will look at those orders and a lot of time he cannot answer specifically but a lot of time they ask or mandate when you take the old one down and put the new one up in a different fashion.

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

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY.....NO REPORT

TREASURERMR. DAVE JOHNSON.....NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR.....MR. MICHAEL JOHNSON.....NO REPORT

EXCUSED ABSENCE

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR MICHAEL TAYLOR

The Mayor announced that the next scheduled Planning Commission meeting will be Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 1:00 PM in Council Chambers pending an agenda.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALSMR. JIM ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal announced the Board of Zoning Appeals will meet Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers pending an agenda.

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

Excused Absence

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Mr. Lautenschleger announced that the next meeting of the Park Board is scheduled for Wednesday, January 26 at 7:00 PM at the Tuscora Park Office.

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Ms. Cox reported that the Health Board will meet Wednesday, February 16, 2011 at 12:00 noon at the Health Department and reminded all of Joan Robis' Retirement Party this Thursday, January 27, 2011 from 1:30 to 3:30 PM in the Council Chambers.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE.MS. SANDY COX

Ms. Cox reported that the Finance Committee met on Monday January 10th the only item that was discussed was the Refurbishing or Replacing Engine 17.

The Fire Chief gave a Power Point Presentation.

The following options were discussed:

- Replace –Purchase New Engine,
- New Cab & Chassis (Glider Kit)
- Refurbish

Fire Chief Parrish's recommendation is to refurbish Engine 17. There were highlights of the refurbishment. The Mayor believes Refurbishing is the best of all the Alternatives. Ms. Espenschied moved to advertise for competitive bids for refurbishment of Engine 17. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Ms. Cox reported that the Finance Committee met on Tuesday January 18th the only item that was discussed was: Refurbishing of Engine 17.

- Discussed were the Pros and Cons of Refurbishment
- The Fire Chief Parrish's recommendation.
- Reviewed the Highlights of the Refurbishment
- Reviewed Resolution 1-2011

The committee is asking Resolution 1-2011 be passed as an emergency tonight.
Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM

President Joel Day assigned to Ms. Cox and her Committee the request from the Service Director's Office for an ordinance for various bidding of materials and supplies for 2011.

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JIM LOCKER.....NO REPORT

EXCUSED ABSENCE

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

President Joel Day assigned to Mr. Maurer and his Committee (Safety, Health, and Service Committee) the resolution thanking the Dover Fire Department for the use of their ladder truck during the refurbishment of ours.

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

Mr. Lautenschleger announced that the Public Works & Economic Development Committee will meet at 7:00 PM on Monday, February 14, 2011, prior to the regular session of Council to discuss this year's CDBG Project.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEEMS. COLLEEN ESPENSCHIED.....NO REPORT

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEEMR. JOHN ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal reported that the Contact & Special Committee met tonight at 6:40 PM in the Council Chambers. They were joined by Mr. Mark Berry from Constellation New Energy-Gas and Mr. Tom Bellish of Buckeye Energy Brokers. Discussion was held on Natural Aggregation Program. There were opportunities for questions and answers from Members of the Committee as well as other Members of Council, Administration and Guests. At this point and time that concluded the report for this evening. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEEMS. WINNIE WALKER.....NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Diane Lautenschleger, 250 Lewis Avenue NW, New Philadelphia, OH 44663
New Philadelphia Business and Community Association, 126 East High Avenue, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663
Diane Lautenschleger, Administrative Director, of New Philadelphia Business and Community Association

Ms. Lautenschleger distributed a written report with 2 attachments. She reported to council the accomplishments of the New Philadelphia Business and Community Association

Ms. Lautenschleger reported the following:

- NPBCA Board of Trustee election 2011 officers are as follows: Mike Ley, President, Michelle Ramsell, Vice President and Bill Weisgaber, Secretary. The Board is comprised of 11 members with a non -voting hired treasurer. A Board of Trustee 2011 roster is attached to her report.
- 2011 NPBCA Member Brochure that was received today shares the history of New Philadelphia. It has an event calendar, maps and members contact information. It was produced at no cost to members. A copy of the brochure is attached to her report.
- Sunday January 30 the Times Reporter distributed their annual business Outlook 2011 feature section which includes an informational summary about NPBCA. NPBCA purchased a half page ad which includes a portion of the mission statement and the membership roster.
- The banner order has been completed with plans for their installation on the South Broadway Bridge area.
- The association's February 3rd General Membership Meeting will feature several local purveyors of promotional items. It encourages support of local businesses while reminding members of the importance of their name recognition with consumers.
- Extended an invitation to all to attend the NPBCA meetings held the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 AM at the Convention and Visitors Bureau located at 124 East High Avenue.
- Plans are underway for the NPBCA 2nd Annual 5K Shamrock run to be held Saturday, March 19, 2011 at 9:00 AM. This run is a fund raising event for NPBCA and allows them to partner with Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School. Runners in last year's race traveled from as far as Columbus and Akron to participate in this run.
- Annual Summer Flower Project 2011: Ms. Lautenschleger spoke to the New Philadelphia Rotary Club on behalf of NPBCA and Mike Ley did the same with Kiwanis and Lions Clubs. They provided their members with reports, and expressed appreciation of the support they have shown the past Flower Projects and encouraged their continued support.
- Submitted a charitable grant proposal to the Stark Community Foundation for \$9,000.00 titled "Growing and Strengthening Downtown." The comprehensive work plan for this proposed grant request includes education, promotion and marketing for the members and community events for our citizens. February 1st, Mr. Ley and Ms. Lautenschleger will personally visit with the Granting Committee to discuss this grant request.

Mr. John Zucal complimented Ms. Lautenschleger on the brochure and said that he noticed all the businesses that were members and wondered if there were any individuals that were members. She replied that there were five.

Mr. John Zucal asked "What are the rates for a family if there just wanted to be a part of it?"

Ms. Lautenschleger replied "The rates have not changed in several years (NPBCA is a 501 (C) 3 non-profit organization and donation is 100% tax deductible.)

Individual/ family membership \$30.00

Non-profit membership \$100.00

Standard Commercial membership \$175.00

Ms. Lautenschleger thanked the City of New Philadelphia employees who assisted with the removal of our Christmas decoration from CBD. Expressed appreciation to Mayor Taylor and Service Director Zucal and the City of New Philadelphia for the fiscal, advisory and special project support given to NPBCA. Ms. Lautenschleger announced that NPBCA looks forward to the continued growth and momentum throughout 2011.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE:NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

52-2010 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to amend the New Philadelphia enterprise zone, and declaring an emergency.
(2nd Reading)

1-2011 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Safety Director to bid and to accept the lowest and best bid for the refurbishment of the 1995 Spartan E 1 Fire Engine 17 not to exceed \$200,000.00 and declaring an emergency.
(1stReading)

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

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Ms. Espenschied.
Roll call, 6 yeas resolution passed

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS:

The letter that the Service Director, Jim Zucal drafted January 21, 2011 to President Joel Day in regard to the committee assignment which was assigned to the Finance Chair tonight.

The Service Director wanted to know if it included all 3 of his requests.

President Joel Day replied “yes”.

NEW BUSINESS:NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX, MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:49 PM

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____