

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON APRIL 9, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL PRO TEM GEORGE HOUSTON 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 MARCH 26, 2007 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . ACTING CLERK MARY JO FRAGASSE

1. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for March 2007.
2. Airport Commission meeting minutes of March 13, 2007.
3. New Philadelphia Fire Department Type of Alarm Report Summary for March 2007.
4. A letter from the Ohio Ethics Commission reminding all current elected officials that the filing deadline for the financial disclosure statement is Monday, April 16, 2007.
5. A letter dated April 9, 2007 from the Tuscarawas County Public Library inviting Council members to attend the Day of the Children/Day of the Books Celebration on Saturday, April 28, 2007 between noon and 3:00 P.M.
6. The Auditor's Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for March 2007.
7. The Auditor's Financial Statement for March 2007.
8. The Treasurer's Reconciliation for March 2007.
9. The Treasurer's Statement of Transactions of all City funds for March 2007.
10. The Treasurer's Summary of Transactions for the General Checking Account for March 2007.
11. A copy of the March 15, 2007 minutes of the Tax Incentive Review Council annual enterprise zone review meeting, received by Councilman George Houston. The letter states that if the city has an active enterprise zone agreement, they are required by Ohio Revised Code, to hold a meeting within 60 days and vote on the recommendations by the Review Council.

Mr. Houston assigned this to the Parks & Cemetery Committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

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

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from March 26 through April 9, 2007. Reported meeting March 26 with Dick Bible of ODOT District 11 regarding the slip on Seven Mile Drive. The road will be closed for repairs, with possibly one lane open soon. Congratulated the First Baptist Church for their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of serving in New Philadelphia. Reported attending a Dover Dam planning meeting on April 3. Informed Council that 7 letters have been sent to area residents who are being commanded to make necessary repairs and/or cleanup of their properties. Mayor Brodzinski pointed out that some of these residences are occupied by older citizens, and he urged service organizations or youth groups to assist in cleaning up these properties. Ms. Cox asked if the problems on Seven Mile Drive are out of the city. Mayor Brodzinski said it is within the city limits.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that on April 11 qualifications were due concerning the airport, bid opening for guardrail on Front Ave. will be April 12, applications are due April 16 from consultants for Phase II traffic light upgrade, bids opening for materials on April 17, April 16 the CDBG project on Fair Ave. NW will begin, which includes curbs, sidewalks, and storm sewers. Reported that he is working on contract negotiations with AFSCME. Reported that bids are coming in for the Union Ave. paving. Mr. Locker asked what is the status of the former Eagle gas station on Front & South Broadway. Mr. Espenschied said he has no information as to when or if it will reopen. Mayor's Administrative Assistant Mary Jo Fragasse said a gentleman came in to the Mayor's office for permits to operate coin operated devices at that location approximately one month ago, but she has not heard back from him. Ms. Cox asked how long it will take to do the guardrails on Front St. Mr. Espenschied said it is a 60-day contract, but it will not take that long. Ms. Cox said she asked because she wanted to know when the West High Avenue project would start. Mr. Espenschied said, weather permitting, it will start soon after the guardrails are finished. Mr. Houston said he received a phone call from a gentlemen complaining about the railroad tracks along Maple Ave. Mr. Espenschied said he, too, received a complaint and he would like to see community service people used to clean up that area.

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

AUDITOR. . . . . MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested approval of her March reports, and emergency passage tonight of Resolution 11-2007.

TREASURER . . . . . MR. MIKE TAYLOR

Requested approval of his March reports. Ms. Cox made a motion to approve the Treasurer's and Auditor's reports. Mr. Locker seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

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

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE . . . . . NO REPORT

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Reported that the April meeting was cancelled. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 9, 2007 at 1:00 P.M.

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

Will. Meet April 10, 2007 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting March 13, 2007. The Commission will meet again with City Council on the lease agreement for the T-hangars. The EAA pancake breakfast will be held May 27.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER . . . . . NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet April 11, 2007 in the Health Department at 12:00 PM.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDY COX

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Resolution 11-2007 and Resolution 9-2007. Both issues were approved by Committee.

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

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

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

Scheduled a meeting for April 23 at 6:30 P.M. for an update on the first quarter sanitation billing system.

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

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

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIMMY EICHEL

Will meet April 12 at 9:30 A.M. regarding a request for access to Tuscora Park from the north side of Quaker Stadium at Wabash Avenue. He said he would like to have a statement from the Safety Director stating his opinion on the request.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

9-2007 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to change zoning for property located on the corner of Kelly Street and Bowers Avenue owned by Gary Lawver and containing approximately three acres of land from Industrial to Residential, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:

9-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to create a new fund to be known as Fire Equipment and Capital Fund #420, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Eichel. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

Amended 10-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to amend New Philadelphia Codified Ordinance Chapter 121.01 Rule 14(a)(1), and declaring an emergency. (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Conner, seconded by Mr. Eichel. Roll call, 6 yeas 1 nay (Lautenschleger), resolution passed.

11-2007 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to transfer funds from the Revolving Loan Fund #497 to the CDBG Fund #287 as part of the City of New Philadelphia's share for the current city project(s), and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Lautenschleger. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Lautenschleger. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:06 P.M.

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

APPROVED April 23, 2007

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