NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON APRIL 14, 2008 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL JOEL DAY PRESIDING. MR. DAY OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: MR. ROBERT CONNER

MS. SANDY COX

MR. GEORGE HOUSTON

MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

MR. JIM LOCKER MR. ROB MAURER MS. WINNIE WALKER

MS. COX MADE ASKED THAT ORDINANCES 13-2008, 14-2008, 15-2008, 16-2008, AND 17-2008 BE ADDED TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MR. MAURER ADDED RESOLUTION 19-2008. MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MR. LAUTENSCHLEGERS SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MS. WALKER GAVE A CORRECTION UNDER HER COMMITTEE REPORT. MR. CONNER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 24, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING. MS. WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

- 1. The Auditor's Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for March 2008.
- 2. The Auditor's Financial Statement for March 2008.
- 3. Public Works & Economic Development Committee meeting minutes of March 24, 2008.
- 4. Public Works & Economic Development Committee meeting minutes of April 7, 2008.
- 5. The Treasurer's Summary of Transactions for the General Checking Account for March 2008.
- 6. The Treasurer's Reconciliation for March 2008.
- 7. The Treasurer's Statement of Transactions of all City funds for March 2008.
- 8. New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for March 2008.
- 9. Airport Commission meeting minutes of March 11, 2008.
- 10. Tuscora Park Board meeting minutes of February 20, 2008.
- 11. Parks & Cemetery Committee meeting minutes of March 24, 2008.
- 12. New Philadelphia Municipal Court 2007 Annual Report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT......MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that he held his first voluntary staff meeting on March 27. Many things were discussed, and future meetings will be planned. Informed Council of the appointment of Jim Parrish to Fire Chief and Scott Torchik as Firefighter/Paramedic. A Civil Service Exam will be held for the vacated captain's position in the Fire Department. He also announced that Assistant Service Director Jim Zucal has been appointed as Service Director. Reported that only 2 of the waterworks ball fields are usable, because of flooding there. Reported that the Records Commission met April 11, and information from that meeting will be forwarded to Mr. Conner for a future Committee meeting. Reported that he is looking at electronic storage of old minutes and ordinances/resolutions. Requested passage of Ordinance 10-2008 and Resolution 11-2008.

SERVICE DIRECTOR MR. JIM ZUCAL

Thanked Mayor Taylor for trusting him in this position, and said he looks forward to working with the Administration and City Council. Reported that the West High Avenue sidewalk program is underway. Reported that a residential allotment on Kelly St. began today.

SAFETY DIRECTOR......MR. GREG POPHAM ABSENT

AUDITOR......MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested approval of her March reports.

TREASURER MR. DAVE JOHNSON

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

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MIKE JOHNSON NO REPORT

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION......MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that there was no business to come before the Commission in April, and the next meeting will be held May 13, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MR. JIM ZUCAL

Reported meeting April 8, and 1 variance was granted. Gave a report on the permits and licenses issued in March.

AIRPORT COMMISSION......MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting March 11, 2008. The budget was discussed, and it was announced that the FAA will be cutting grant requests by 25.8%.

PARK BOARD......MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Will meet April 23, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. at the park office.

HEALTH BOARD......MS. SANDY COX

Will meet April 16, 2008 at noon in the Health Department.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Resolution 12-2008, Resolution 13-2008, Resolution 14-2008, Ordinance 13-2008, Ordinance 14-2008, Ordinance 15-2008, Ordinance 16-2008, Ordinance 17-2008, a letter from Auditor Beth Gundy suggesting that money appropriated for Reiser Ave. be used to pay invoices for work at the High Tech Park, and an additional appropriation for professional services so that a performance audit can be funded. All items were approved by Committee.

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE ... MR. ROB MAURER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss a request by Fire Chief Jim Parrish for a grant for radios in the fire department, Resolution 19-2008. The Committee approved the request and recommend emergency passage tonight.

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

Reported meeting April 7 to discuss Ordinance 12-2008, to advertise for bids for resurfacing the tennis courts at the park. The Committee voted unanimously to approve Resolution 38-2007, increase in water/sewer rates. A performance audit has been requested of the water and wastewater departments, and a meeting will be held April 30 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss that audit. The Committee voted to review an update to the access management regulations, and requested that Service Director Jim Zucal also review and make recommendations.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE. MR. GEORGE HOUSTON NO REPORT

Mr. Day assigned Resolution 10-2008.

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. ROBERT CONNER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Resolution 11-2008, re-appointment of certain members to the Airport Commission. The Committee approved the re-appointment, and recommended emergency passage tonight.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE MS. WINNIE WALKER NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Carl Russo, 630 Jordan Dr., New Philadelphia, asked the city to consider extending the sidewalk on West High Ave. across the railroad tracks to 11th St. N.W. He said this is a difficult place to travel for those who have mobility problems. Mr. Day asked for a recommendation from the Service Director's office before considering an assignment to committee.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

8-2008

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia authorizing the Mayor to submit an application for a FY 2008 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) grant and to enter into an agreement with the successful proposer to prepare such application and to administer and implement the CHIP should the City receive the grant, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

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

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Lautenschleger, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 veas, ordinance passed.

10-2008

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to advertise for bids, receive bids, and enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder to provide the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio with a state approved sanitary landfill facility and solid waste water disposal site for the receipt and disposal of all solid waste and semi-solid waste of the municipality for a period of one year commencing ______ and to receive alternate bids for a contract for a period of three years commencing _____ and appropriating money therefore and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

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

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

11-2008

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia authorizing and directing the Safety Director to advertise for bids, receive bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for the purchase of three (3) motor vehicles properly equipped for use in the Police Department, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

12-2008

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Service Director to advertise for bids, receive bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for the repair and resurfacing of tennis courts at Tuscora Park and to authorize the expenditure of funds for payment for such work, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

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

13-2008

An ordinance to purchase through the STS State Purchase Program a 2009 International 7400 SBA 4X2 cab and chassis and to advertise for the lowest and best bids and enter into a contract for the purchase of a 20-yard rear loader to be mounted on the 2009 cab and chassis to be used as a garbage truck in the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

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

14-2008

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio directing the Service Director to purchase through STS State Purchase Program a 2008 Ford F-550 4WD extended cab and chassis for use as a dump truck and to further advertise for bids and enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for the purchase of one stainless steel dump body, hoist, hydraulics, v-box spreader, and snow plow to be mounted on the 2008 Ford F-550, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

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

15-2008

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize payment to Kimble Clay and Limestone monthly fees as billed by Kimble Clay and Limestone for landfill services during the calendar year 2008 and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

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

16-2008

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to authorize payment for the purchase of salt used at the New Philadelphia Water Plant, and declaring an emergency. (1st 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. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

17-2008

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to authorize payment to the various utility providers for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio for the monthly utility bills for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio which billings are in excess of \$25,000 per year, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Ms. Walker. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

38-2007

A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Service Director to increase water and sewer rates charged by the City of New Philadelphia commencing April 1, 2008, and declaring an emergency. (5th Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Lautenschleger, seconded by Mr. Maurer. Mr. Houston said he received a phone call from a resident who was very upset with these increases. Roll call, 6 yeas 1 nay (Houston), resolution passed.

11-2008

A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to approve appointments by the Mayor to the Airport Commission, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Conner, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

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

12-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to approve the transfer of interest revenue in an amount up to \$20,000.00 from the Cemetery Endowment Fund (#812) to the Cemetery Operating Fund (#209) for the 2008 fiscal year. (1st Reading) 13-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize and direct the Auditor of the City of New Philadelphia to transfer up to \$25,000.00 from the General Fund #101 to the Sidewalk Improvement Fund #285, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading) A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to transfer funds from the 14-2008 General Fund (#101) to the Cemetery Operating Fund (#209) to supplement cash needed to fund current operations, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading) Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended. Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed. 15-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend James Dinger Waste Water Superintendent for service and dedication to the City of New Philadelphia during his 33 years as an employee for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio. (1st Reading) A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Mike Jones 16-2008 employed in the Service Department for service and dedication to the City of New Philadelphia during his 29 years as an employee for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio. (1st Reading) 17-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Jamie Snyder as a member of the Fire Department and Fire Chief for service and dedication to the City of New Philadelphia during his 25 years as an employee for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio. (1st Reading) 18-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Gary Espenschied for having worked 16 years in the Water Department and 8 years as Service Director to service and dedication for the City of New Philadelphia during his 24 years as an employee for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio. (1st Reading) 19-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Mayor of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to enter into a contract for services between the New Philadelphia Fire Department and Gatchell Grant Resources LLC for purpose of developing a AFG 2008 Regional Radio Grant and such other grants as may become available and to pay Gatchell Grant Resources LLC the sum of \$600.00 non-refundable fee for writing this grant proposal, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading) Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Maurer, seconded by Ms. Cox., Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

resolution passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Locker said he forgot to mention the next meeting of the Airport Commission will be held April 15. Ms. Cox thanked everyone for their concerns during the recent passing of her father.

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. M	EETING ADJOURNED AT 8:27 P.M.
CLERK OF COUNCIL	_
	APPROVED April 28, 2008
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL	