

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MAY 12, 2003 AT 7:30 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. ART CICCONETTI  
MS. SANDRA COX  
MR. JOEL DAY  
MR. SAM HITCHCOCK  
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON  
MR. JIM LOCKER  
MR. ROB MAURER.

THE MINUTES OF APRIL 28, 2003 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for April 2003.
2. A letter dated April 30, 2003 from Senator Greg DiDonato thanking Council for their passage of Resolution 7-2003, opposition to proposed tax on cable television in House Bill 95.
3. Auditor's Monthly Statement of revenue for the General Fund for April 2003.
4. Petition for annexation filed by S.S.T. Enterprises, Inc.
5. New Philadelphia City Board of Health meeting minutes of April 9, 2003.
6. New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for April 2003.
7. April 2003 Summary of Reports for the New Philadelphia Fire Department.
8. Airport Commission meeting minutes of April 8, 2003.
9. Public Works Committee meeting minutes of April 28, 2003.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

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

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from April 29 through May 12, 2003. Congratulated Main Street for their successful Art On The Square. Reported that progress is proceeding well on the John Knisely Municipal Centre, and should be complete by October 2003.

SERVICE DIRECTOR . . . . .MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that a city-wide cleanup will be held next week. Reported that construction of a new sidewalk at Tuscora Park along North Broadway should be complete next week. Relinquished the floor to Building Inspector Bill Richesson, who reported on properties that he has been working on.

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

AUDITOR . . . . . MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested passage tonight of Ordinance 25-2003, and asked that the transfers made in her office be approved. Ms. Cox made a motion to approve the transfers. Mr. Houston seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

TREASURER . . . . . MR. MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that the Treasurer’s work for 2002 is complete, but the Treasurer’s office is out of balance with the Auditor’s office by \$895.56, so a resolution will be prepared for council’s consideration to write off the discrepancy. The State Auditor’s office recommends that this be done. Suggested that a comprehensive record retention schedule be considered, as he has no guidelines as to what records should be kept.

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that he continues to work out the details for Goshen Township annexations. Informed Council that he received a letter from Mr. Aubuhl requesting that the City review the current ordinance to determine if condominiums can be built in certain sections of the city. Reported that he received a letter from Attorney Dave Hipp concerning the brick sidewalk situation on North Broadway with suggestions for changes in the city’s sidewalk program.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION . . . . . MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet June 11, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. in the Police Station Conference Room.

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

Reported meeting May 6, 2003. Three variances were granted.

AIRPORT COMMISSION . . . . . MR. JIM LOCKER

Will meet May 13, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. at the airport.

PARK BOARD . . . . . MR. ART CICONETTI . . . . . NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD. . . . . MS. SANDRA COX . . . . . NO REPORT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDRA COX

Requested passage tonight of Ordinance 25-2003. Mr. Johnson assigned the city’s BWC group rating and a revision of the income tax ordinance.

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

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. SAM HITCHCOCK

Reported meeting tonight to review the city’s mutual aid pact with Dover for fire protection and to discuss prisoner billing for the city jail. It was suggested that a revised mutual aid agreement be reviewed by each city’s Law Director, and then bring a proposed ordinance back to committee for consideration. The Committee recommends that the amount for housing at the city jail be increased from \$35.00 per day to \$45.00 per day.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. . . . .MR. JOEL DAY . . . . . NO REPORT

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE . . . . .MR.GEORGE HOUSTON

Scheduled a meeting for June 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss natural gas suppliers in the city. Mr. Johnson assigned the letter from Mr. Aubuhl concerning condominiums and Ordinance 27-2003, change of zoning at 430 Fair Avenue NW.

CONTACT COMMITTEE. . . . .MR. ART CICCONE . . . . . NO REPORT

SPECIAL COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. ROB MAURER . . . . . NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned the Treasurer’s request for a comprehensive record retention schedule.

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

Brenda Busch, 508 North Broadway, New Philadelphia, said that she and her husband is still willing to work with the city concerning the brick sidewalk they want to install in front of their property.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 20-2003      An ordinance to repeal Codified Ordinance 143.01 – Emergency Ambulance Service, Subsection (d)(3), and to enact new Codified Ordinance Section 143.01 Emergency Ambulance Service, Subsection (d)(3), of the Codified Ordinances for the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)  
  
                    Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Hitchcock, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 23-2003      An ordinance to authorize the City of New Philadelphia to enter into a contract with the Tuscarawas County Commissioners and the Tuscarawas County Sheriff’s Office for the Housing of inmates in the Tuscarawas County Jail and payment of housing costs to the Tuscarawas County Commissioners and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- 25-2003      An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2003 and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> 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 Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 26-2003      An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the New Philadelphia City Auditor to review group plans and enrollment for worker’s compensation rating and to enter into contract with the lowest and best provider, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
- 27-2003      An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to change zoning for property located at 430 Fair Avenue NW, New Philadelphia, Ohio from Residential to Office district, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:

9-2003 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to notify the Tuscarawas County Commissioners of utility services that the City of New Philadelphia can make available to the annexation presently offered by Nancy Dietz, Barbara Cohee, Lynn R. Padro, Trustee, Charles L. Tinker III, and Robert R. Tinker as required by Chapter 709.031 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

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

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

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Johnson said he will be working with Dave Zeller to come up with plans for the new council chambers, and asked that anyone with ideas please let him know.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:04 P.M.

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

APPROVED May 29, 2003

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