

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MAY 14, 2001 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: MS. SANDRA COX
MR. JOEL DAY
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON
MR. JIM LOCKER
MR. TOM LOCKER
MS. WINNIE WALKER

COUNCIL MEMBER ART CICCONETTI WAS ABSENT.

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THE MINUTES OF APRIL 23, 2001 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE. CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. New Philadelphia Airport Commission meeting minutes of April 10, 2001.
2. A notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control requesting a transfer of a D4 permit to New Philadelphia Elk 510 Inc., 1180 Union Ave., New Philadelphia, transferred from BPOE Lodge 510 New Philadelphia Inc., and asking that objections be made no later than 6/11/01.
3. Finance Committee meeting of Monday, April 23, 2001.
4. New Philadelphia City Board of Health meeting minutes of April 11, 2001.
5. New Philadelphia Park & Recreation Board meeting minutes of April 18, 2001.
6. Board of Control meeting minutes of April 12, 2001.
7. New Philadelphia Fire Department Report for January, 2001; February, 2001; March, 2001; and April, 2001.
8. The 2001 Community Annual Report for Union Hospital.
9. Petition for annexation filed by Endres Land, LLC
10. Petition for annexation filed by Gregory E. and Linda C. Donaldson.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from April 24 through May 14, 2001. Reported that he met On April 25 with representatives of the Salvation Army to discuss their plans for a new facility on Union Ave. Informed Council that the city's pager system has been replaced by cellular phones, at no increased cost to the city. Reported meeting with ODOT officials concerning 4th St. N.W. Reported that Stacie Hubbard, FBO at the New Philadelphia Airport, is in attendance tonight to outline plans for a grand prix race at the airport in August.

SERVICE DIRECTORMR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that the 2nd public hearing was held tonight for the 2001 CDBG. Bids will be opened this week for the 2000 CDBG project, which is phase 3 of the Front Ave. S.W. curbs and sidewalks. Reported that there is money available for the Sidewalk Replacement Program. Reported that the number of extra trash pickups has increased.

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM

Requested that Ordinance 26-2001 be passed tonight as an emergency.

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY NO REPORT

TREASURERMR. ROBERT GERBER ABSENT NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTORMR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that Ordinance 20-2000 was not properly advertised, and said he will request that it be added to the agenda for the May 31, 2001 meeting for re-consideration. Scheduled a Public Hearing for May 31, 2001 at 8:00 p.m. to discuss Ordinance 20-2000. Reported that he met with the attorneys representing the Endres annexation, and he will meet soon with Mr. Houston to address certain concerns that the Endres family has concerning available utilities. Reported meeting with the Service Director and Water Superintendent concerning a new maintenance agreement for the water towers. Informed Council that, to date, there has been no decision on the airport FBO lawsuit, which was submitted to the Court in December, 2000. Reported that he has been working with the police department concerning a resident selling tires in his front yard constantly. Ms. Cox asked Mr. Johnson if there was a fund for bad workmanship set up during the Downtown Revitalization Project. Mr. Johnson said he was unaware of any fund, but he will check into this.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSIONMAYOR BRODZINSKI

Informed Council that the May meeting of the Commission was cancelled due to lack of business.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALSMR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported meeting May 1, and 3 variances were granted.

AIRPORT COMMISSIONMR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting April 10. Business is picking up at the Airport Restaurant, and fuel sales were down in March, but has picked up since then. A possible Grand Prix race was discussed for August 18, which would help fund various airport projects.

PARK BOARDMR. ART CICONETTI NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARDMS. SANDRA COX NO REPORT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEEMS. SANDRA COX NO REPORT

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JIM LOCKER NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE. . . . MS. WINNIE WALKER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss obtaining a canine unit in the police department. Representatives of the Cadiz Police Department and the Harrison County Sheriff’s Department were in attendance to demonstrate and explained the dog’s performance. Another meeting will be scheduled soon to continue discussion.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.MR. JOEL DAY NO REPORT

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.MR.GEORGE HOUSTON NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned the two petitions for annexation that were presented tonight to Mr. Houston’s Committee for review.

CONTACT COMMITTEE.MR. ART CICCONETTI ABSENT NO REPORT

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.MR. TOM LOCKER NO REPORT

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

Ella Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., New Philadelphia, said the light poles and benches in the downtown area need to be painted. Asked if anyone has looked at the intersection of 5th Dr. and Ashwood Lane N.W., and asked what is the timetable for the left turn lane onto Tuscarawas Ave. from West High Ave., 4th St. and West High Ave., and 4th St. and East High Ave. She asked if there would be a traffic light installed at 4th St. & Fair Ave., and who is the new owner of the former Elby’s Restaurant on West High Ave. Mr. Espenschied said the poles and benches downtown would be painted this year. Mayor Brodzinski said some of these projects won’t be completed until next year, but he is hopeful that some will be done by fall of this year. A light will be installed at Fair Ave. and 4th St.

Stacie Hubbard, Manager at the New Philadelphia Airport, and Tracy McClain, Manager of the Airport Restaurant, outlined the plans for a proposed grand prix race August 18 at the Airport. Ms. Hubbard said they expect a large attendance, and this event should benefit not only the airport, but also other businesses in the city.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

21-2001 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to vacate Second Street NW from Wabash Avenue extending south to the south boundary of city property located at the New Philadelphia City Park, Tuscora Park and the north side of private residence located next to the city park on Second Street NW, New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)

Public Hearing Scheduled for May 31, 2001 at 8:00 p.m.

Amended 22-2001 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to increase the clothing allowance for police chief and fire chief for the annual anniversary year 2001 from \$600.00 to \$800.00 for the annual anniversary year 2002 and thereafter the clothing allowance for the fire chief and police chief shall revert to \$700.00 per year. (3rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Jim Locker, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance passed.

24-2001 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) properly equipped motor vehicles for use in the Police Department in 2001, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

26-2001 An ordinance authorizing the Police Department to auction unclaimed items and certain city owned equipment which is no longer being used by the various departments within the City, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

Motion to suspend he rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Tom Locker. Roll call, 6 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance passed.

27-2001 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia authorizing and directing the Service Director to advertise for bids, receive bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for the purchase of one cab and chassis with a packer body 2001 garbage truck, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:

5-2001 A resolution declaring the necessity to request an advance of \$750,000.00 from the County Auditor on the June, 2001 real estate tax settlement, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

6-2001 A resolution declaring the necessity to request an advance of \$250,000.00 from the County Auditor on the June, 2001 estate tax settlement, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

7-2001 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to enter into an agreement with Tuscarawas County University Branch District Board of Trustees, to waive tap on fee for water and sewer lines in exchange for a written easement to be granted from Tuscarawas County University Branch District Board of Trustees, to the City of New Philadelphia, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

Mr. Johnson assigned this resolution to Mr. Houston's Zoning & Annexation Committee for review.

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ms. Cox made a motion to put Ordinance 20-2000 back onto the table for consideration. Motion seconded by Ms. Walker. Roll call, 6 yeas, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED May 31, 2001

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____