

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MAY 14, 2018 WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL SAM HITCHCOCK PRESIDING. COUNCILMAN ZUCAL OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

MR. DAN LANZER
MRS. AIMEE MAY
MRS. CHERYL RAMOS
MR. KELLY RICKLIC
MR. JOHN ZUCAL

EXCUSED ABSENCES

MR. DEAN HOLLAND
MR. ROB MAURER
SAFETY DIRECTOR GREG POPHAM
LAW DIRECTOR MARVIN FETE

- MRS. MAY MOTIONED TO ACCEPT TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MRS. RAMOS SECONDED THE MOTION
5 YEAS
TONIGHT’S AGENDA HAS BEEN ACCEPTED

- MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 23, 2018
REGULAR SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL
MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION
5 YEAS
MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 23, 2018 REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL HAVE
BEEN APPROVED

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK, JULIE COURTRIGHT

1. *To Council and Administration from Administrative Assistant to the Mayor Mary Ann Otte, dated April 30, 2018. This is an email titled “EPA Report” with the attachment “Ohio EPA Findings WWTP-43018”*
2. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated May 1, 2018, This is the Mayor’s Monthly Statement to Council.*
3. *To Clerk of Council from Treasurer Tom Gerber, dated May 1, 2018. This is the City of New Philadelphia April 2018 Deposits.*
4. *To Clerk of Council from Treasurer Tom Gerber, dated May 1, 2018. This is the City of New Philadelphia April 2018 Investment and Savings Report*
5. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated May 4, 2018. This is and email titled “HB 49 Litigation Update”. This was replied to by President of Council Hitchcock and Councilman Zucal.*
6. *To Council and Administration from Financial Disclosure Coordinator for The Ohio Ethics Commission Jen Boger, dated May 8, 2018. This is an email titled “Reminder 2017 Financial Disclosure Statement General Filing Deadline is quickly approaching. “*
7. *To Council and Administration from Auditor Beth Gundy, dated May 9, 2018. This is the Auditor’s Financial Statement for April 2018.*
8. *To Council and Administration from Auditor Beth Gundy, dated May 14, 2018. This is the City of New Philadelphia Check Report By Fund, Expense Report With Encumbrance Detail, and Statement of Cash Position from Revenue and Expense for April 2018.*

9. *To Council and Administration from Income Tax Administrator Vickie Daniels, dated May 9, 2018. This is the April 2018 Income Tax Report.*
10. *To Clerk of New Philadelphia City Council from Mayor's Administrative Assistant Mary Ann Otte, dated May 9, 2018. This is minutes from the Record's Commission Meeting on May 9, 2018.*
11. *To Members of New Philadelphia City Council from President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock, dated May 11, 2018. This is an email with the Attachment: "Liquor License Permit for Styx Acquisition" The email reads the following: "Dan, please take this permit request into your Committee for consideration and resolution".*
12. *To Council and Administration from President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock, dated May 14, 2018. This is an email titled "Excused Absence and Meeting Cancellation" which reads the following: "Please be advised that Councilman Dean Holland has requested and received an excused absence for this evening's council related activities. This also serves as notice that the Committee Meeting of Public Works and Economic Development Committee is therefore cancelled."*
13. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated May 14, 2018. This is the Mayor's Report.*

Administrative Reports.....

MAYOR'S REPORT/REQUESTS ...MAYOR JOEL B. DAY

Mayor Day had the following report:

- Request that Council Table Resolution 14-2018: I request that Council table Resolution 14-2018 tonight because I have learned that the Ohio Department of Transportation's State Infrastructure Bank offers airport hangar construction loans at three percent interest, which is 1.44 points lower than the conventional bank loan agreement stated in the resolution. I will make a loan application to the infrastructure bank once it is confirmed by the Airport Commission that there are 12 aircraft owners who will rent spaces if a new 12 bay hangar is built.
- NP Municipal Court's Recovery Court Receives National Recognition: The success of New Philadelphia Municipal Court's Recovery Court has gained national attention. Last week on the floor of the U.S. Senate, Ohio Senator Sherrod Brown gave a speech recognizing May as National Drug Court Month, specifically mentioning the work of Judge VonAllman's Recovery Court. Because of the partnership between the Recovery Court and the City Health Department, more addicts identified in court are on the path to recovery. As Judge VonAllman stated in a recent Times Reporter story about her recovery court: "Addicts hate what they've become. We try to give them and their families hope: that treatment works and people do recover."
- A Task Force has been formed to restore the Railroad Connection between New Philadelphia and Dennison: I have assembled a task force whose mission is to restore the

railroad connection between New Philadelphia and Dennison. The members include Dennison Depot Executive Director Wendy Zucal, Chamber of Commerce CEO Scott Robinson, OMEGA Executive Director Jeannette Wierzbicki, Blair Hillyer of the County CIC, County Economic Development Director Scott Reynolds and local railroad consultant Mike Connor. Restoring the connection would give our area a tremendous economic boost by allowing excursion trains from the Dennison Depot to travel to New Philadelphia and Dover. It will also open a north-south corridor for rail freight transportation through Tuscarawas County. CSX Railroad owns the line. The task force has to develop a business plan that shows CSX how the reconnection can be profitable for them and for all users along the line. At the May 31st regular meeting, I'm planning to show Council a PowerPoint presentation on the task force's effort.

- **New Philadelphia Now Owns New Cemetery Land:** For the first time since the City took ownership of Evergreen Cemetery in the 1960's, New Philadelphia has new cemetery land. On May 1st, I signed the closing documents to purchase over eight acres of land on at 20th Street and Delaware Drive NE. The City Cemetery Board has selected a consultant to begin designing the new cemetery. The consultant, Jose Castrejon of McGill, Smith, Punshon of Cincinnati, will also show the board how space in the City's existing cemeteries can be utilized to meet to the growing demand of cremation burials.
- **Menard's Update:** On May 4th I received word that the Ohio Development Services Agency approved the revised Community Reinvestment Agreement that gives 10 years of 50 percent property tax abatement to Menard's Incorporated. The CRA states that Menard's will put forth its best effort to employ 40 full time and 80 part-time employees. The agreement also says that construction of the store on Bluebell Drive NW will begin in the third quarter of this year. Today revised engineering plans for the \$18.3 million dollar project were delivered and reviewed by the Service Director's staff.
- **Local Academic Foundations are a Source of Pride in our Community**
This month I had the honor of being invited to attend the scholarship awards banquets for the Quaker Foundation and the Buckeye Career Center Foundation. This year the Quaker Foundation awarded \$139,000.00 in scholarships to NPHS graduates, while 19 Buckeye graduates each were awarded \$2,500.00 scholarships. There aren't many communities in Ohio that can say they have such academic foundations that support graduating seniors. I commend the board of directors of both foundations for their efforts and wish the graduating seniors the best of luck in their future endeavors.

MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED TO TABLE RESOLUTION 14-2018
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
5 YEAS
RESOLUTION 14-2018 HAS BEEN TABLED

**President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock reassigned the issue of obtaining funding for the construction of additional airport hangars at Harry Clever Field to the Salary Committee.*

SERVICE DIRECTORMR. RON MCABIER

Mayor Day had the following report from Mr. McAbier:

From the Board of Zoning Appeals at the meeting on May 8, 2018 the Glass

Properties issue was heard. They wanted a lot split in the central business zone. The variance was requested.

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY

Ms. Gundy had the following report:

I'm going to be making sure you get our expense report that doesn't have all the details but it does have the percentages on the side. You're not getting that monthly I didn't realize that. From now on I'll just make sure that you get that.

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

TREASURER MR. TOM GERBER.....NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MARVIN FETE.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR JOEL DAY

The Planning Commission's meeting for this month has been cancelled. I'm still awaiting word from instructor Michael McInturf on when his University of Cincinnati Grad students can come here and present the master plan they've been working on. Hopefully that will happen this month. If not Mr. McInturf said he will personally come here and deliver the plan to us. When that occurs I'll make sure to put notice out so any Councilmembers can attend that Planning Commission meeting. I also wanted Mr. McInturf to come to a Council meeting to explain the Master Plan.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. RON MCABIER.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JOHN ZUCAL

The Airport Commission met on May 1, 2018. The consensus among the members was that the focus of the agenda would align to the questions as to whether or not we could secure the appropriate funding for the hangars. Again the Mayor did indicate that our best option at this point in time is moving through the State Infrastructure Bank due to the lower interest rate. We had a good positive discussion about that, and the other burning issue was the fact if we could actually fill those 12 bay hangars with tenants and could we get a commitment from those. I know Mr. Kennedy has provided a list to the Mayor so it looks like we're still headed in the right direction. The existing rates that we are being presented to those members that would like to purchase those and rent those would be \$225 per month per month and \$275 for the two exterior bay hangars.

Mrs. Ramos had the following question:

The current plane owners that want to move to the new hangars, do we have people that would move in to the old ones?

Mr. Zucal had the following response:

Mr. Kennedy feels that given the low rates of rent we have for those that that would not be an issue, so there is no commitment at this time because right now we can't enter into any other agreements because they are still renting those, but yes there would be the potential to do that because rental rates on those are much lower than what we're currently offering. Most people are paying between \$100 to \$120 per month. We just had a \$20 increase that was effective last July.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

HEALTH BOARD..... MR. KELLY RICKLIC.....NO REPORT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEEMR. ROB MAURER.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JOHN ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal had the following report:

Just a reminder that before the next regularly scheduled meeting of City Council we will have a Salary Committee Meeting to recognize Mr. Hixson for his 30 years of service to the City of New Philadelphia.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

SAFETY HEALTH & SERVICE COMMITTEE.....MR. KELLY RICKLIC

Mr. Ricklic had the following report:

The Safety, Health, and Service Committee met tonight in Council Chambers. Present on the Committee was Mr. Lanzer and myself. Mr. McAbier presented a water/sewer request for A1 Development outside the City of New Philadelphia. After some discussion with the issue recommended by Mr. McAbier for City Council to deny that at this time due to some of the legislation that Mrs. Ramos' Committee was doing. The motion was made to do a roll call at the regular Council Meeting. It was seconded by Mr. Lanzer. At this time I would ask for the President of Council to make a roll call per his request.

ROLL CALL

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THE WATER/ SEWER REQUEST HAS BEEN DENIED

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEEMRS. CHERYL RAMOS

Mrs. Ramos had the following report:

The Committee met this evening at 6:45 to discuss requiring annexation in the City to obtain water and sewer services. After a discussion and information that was shared during the Committee meeting a motion was made by Mr. Lanzer to have the Law Director draw up appropriate legislation to require annexation to receive water and sewer services. We'll have three readings.

SPECIAL & CONTACT COMMITTEEMR DAN LANZER

Mr. Lanzer had the following report:

The Special and Contact Committee will be meeting at 6:45 PM on May 31st to discuss Council procedures and a liquor license variance.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEEMRS. AIMEE MAY

Mrs. May had the following report:

The Cemetery Board met last Thursday at 8:00 AM and discussed the acquisition of the land which the Mayor mentioned in his report. It has been finalized and now will enter Phase 1 of the consulting which consists of brainstorming ideas mapping and discovery which they hope to start in June and start preparing the land in the fall.

VISITOR’S COMMENTS: NONE

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

I just would like to take the opportunity because between now and the next time we’re meeting in regular session graduations will be taking place around the City of New Philadelphia. On behalf of all of us on City Council and Administration I would like to congratulate those seniors and wish them the very best of luck. We’re proud of their efforts and accomplishments, and we gather with a thought and a prayer for them that as they begin their next journey in their life’s work that they continue to recognize great things that have happened for them in our community and the blessing that we have been to them and hopefully they will be able to return to us and continue to be a vital part of our community.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES: NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

11-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO ENTER INTO AN OHIO ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT WITH GEMINI INDUSTRIAL MACHINE GROUP, LLC/ GEMINI REALTY HOLDINGS, LLC FOR PURPOSES OF RELOCATING THEIR BUSINESS OPERATIONS FROM DOVER

TOWNSHIP TO THE TUSCARAWAS REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY PARK IN NEW PHILADELPHIA.

3rd Reading

Mr. Zucal had the following question:

Do we have any idea as to where we are with the County? Is everything secure and ready to move forward?

Mayor Day had the following reply:

Yes, all we need is this piece of legislation.

MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 11-2018

MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION

5 YEAS

RESOLUTION 11-2018 HAS BEEN APPROVED

12-2018

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NATUREWORKS PROGRAM FOR RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SOUTHSIDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 1.

2nd Reading

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

Mr.Zucal motioned to adjourn at 7:50 pm

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____
Julie Courtright

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____
Sam R. Hitchcock