

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JUNE 25, 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: MR. ART CICCONETTI
MS. SANDRA COX
MR. JOEL DAY
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON
MR. JIM LOCKER
MR. TOM LOCKER
MS. WINNIE WALKER.

THE MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2001 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE. CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Board of Control meeting minutes of June 20, 2001.
2. A letter dated June 19, 2001 from Adelphia Cable notifying Council that adjustments will be made on rates for equipment and installation services beginning with billing statements in August, 2001.
3. Safety, Health, and Service Committee meeting minutes of June 18, 2001.
4. Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report for 2000.
5. Annexation and Zoning Committee meeting minutes of June 18, 2001.
5. Planning Commission meeting minutes of June 13, 2001.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI ABSENT

Administrative Assistant Mary Jo Fragasse submitted a written report of the activities of his office from June 12 through June 25, 2001.

SERVICE DIRECTORMR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that he and General Services Superintendent Fred Neff recently attended a preventive maintenance seminar in Columbus in regards to paving. Reported that the Board of Control met and awarded three waterline projects: Tuscora park, Beaver Avenue N.E., and Southside Park, and scheduled a pre-construction Public Meeting for Monday July 9 at 6:45 p.m. to discuss these projects. Brought Council's attention to the Codified Ordinance which deals with the city's removal of used furniture, carpeting, appliances, bedding, left by a tenant either moving or evicted or from a commercial operator. He said the city spends a lot of time picking up these items, when it should be the responsibility of the contractor/landlord. Scheduled a Public Meeting for Monday July 9 at 7:15 p.m. to discuss traffic flow plans for next summer's painting of the South Broadway Bridge. Mr. Cicconetti asked if State Route 416 is to be paved this year. Mr. Espenschied said the state will contribute 80% towards state routes, and plans will be made to pave it next year.

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM NO REPORT

Congratulated Traffic Officer Rocky Dusenberry for the awards he received last week at the Police and Fire Olympics in Toledo.

AUDITOR MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested emergency passage tonight of Ordinance 32-2001 and Resolution 12-2001.

TREASURER MR. ROBERT GERBER ABSENT NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MIKE JOHNSON ABSENT

Made a recommendation, through President of Council Dave Johnson, that Resolution 16-2001 be passed tonight as an emergency.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION MAYOR BRODZINSKI NO REPORT

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Will meet Tuesday, July 3, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers

AIRPORT COMMISSION. MR. JIM LOCKER

In regards to a previously asked question concerning operating hours at the Airport, reported that it opens at 8:30 a.m. and closes at dark, unless it is requested of them to open earlier, and they will be there. Reported meeting June 12.

PARK BOARD MR. ART CICCONE

Reported that the top of the hill at 2nd St. has been paved and lined with angle parking. Repair of the sidewalks and walls is continuing, and some new trees have been planted.

HEALTH BOARD. MS. SANDRA COX NO REPORT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. MS. SANDRA COX

Recommends passage of Ordinance 32-2001 and Resolution 12-2001.

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER

Scheduled a meeting for Monday, July 2, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss pay increases for certain employees.

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE MS. WINNIE WALKER

Reported meeting tonight prior to regular session to discuss increasing certain parking fines. The Committee recommends that fines for parking in certain restricted zones, parking longer than allowed, parked over 12 inches from the curb, obstructing a drive, and parking on the sidewalk be raised from \$5 to \$20.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. MR. JOEL DAY

Scheduled a meeting for Monday, July 2 immediately following the Salary Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m. to discuss a waterline on 2nd Dr. S.E.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.MR.GEORGE HOUSTON

Reported meeting June 18 to discuss a change zoning at Robinson Dr. for a proposed art center. The request was approved. Also discussed was the 3rd phase of Creekside, which the Committee will review at a future meeting. The Committee briefly reviewed the Misty Dawn 5th Addition, but maps and drawings have not yet been introduced, so it will be reviewed later. Last on the agenda was possible tax abatement for the Endres property, which is in the process of annexation. No final decision was made.

CONTACT COMMITTEE.MR. ART CICCONE

The Committee reviewed the liquor license transfer for the Courthouse Café, and they will not object to the transfer.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. TOM LOCKER NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned a possible resolution to recognize Traffic Officer Rocky Dusenberry for his awards.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Jill Meo, 634 3rd St. N.W., New Philadelphia, said the alley behind her house is being used for a runway for a bike/skateboard ramp. She said the alley is blocked at numerous times, there is graffiti painted in the area, the people congregating there are using foul language, trash is being strewn about, and at times there are 30-50 people congregating there. She said her young daughter is afraid to go into her own back yard because of comments made to her by the people who gather there. She said she has contacted the police numerous times, but nothing has been done.

Floyd Ruth, 318 Belmont Ave. New Philadelphia, said he has a young son who will not play outside because of the activities in the alley behind his house. He said there is constant swearing, spitting, and trash being strewn about his yard. He has also contacted police, with no resolution to the problem.

Julie Randolph, 630 3rd St. N.W., New Philadelphia, said she is also concerned about the safety of the people riding the bicycles on the ramps, and asked if there are curfews and noise ordinances in effect. Mr. Johnson informed her the Law Director and Mayor are both absent, so some answers are not available tonight.

Jack Jones, 4th St. N.E., New Philadelphia, urged Council to take no action tonight on the housing code ordinance so that other residents have time to voice their opinions.

Ella Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., New Philadelphia, urged residents to come to council meetings and committee meetings so their concerns can be addressed. Suggested that people take pictures of things they see going on in their neighborhood and around the city so they can present proof of wrongdoings to the police and council members. She asked how much the Airport Restaurant is bringing into the city. Mr. Locker said there is a new manager there, and it might be a while before figures are available.

AT 8:04 P.M. COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS RESOLUTION 12-2001, THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2002. AUDITOR BETH GUNDY SAID IT IS SIMILAR TO PREVIOUS YEARS,; AND BY PRESENTING THIS TO THE TUSCARAWAS COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION, THEY DETERMINE THE CITY'S SHARE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT MONEY AND DEMONSTRATES TO THEM HOW THE MONEY IS USED THAT IS GENERATED BY OUR TAX LEVIES. THERE BEING NO FURTHER COMMENTS, THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:06 P.M.

Jill Meo, 634 3rd St. N.W. New Philadelphia, asked what residents of that area could do to restore order in their neighborhood. She said there are surely ordinances that rule some of the problems they are experiencing. President of Council Dave Johnson and Safety Director Greg Popham told them to call the police as many times as necessary. Mr. Johnson said this is a new thing to the city, and maybe ordinances are needed to govern building of bike ramps, and he assigned the matter to Ms. Walker's Safety, Health, and Service Committee for review. The possible need

for building permits for bike ramps was discussed. Mr. Popham informed all concerned that the issue is being addressed.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 30-2001 An ordinance by the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio establishing a housing code for residents of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)
- 31-2001 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to establish the position of Building Inspector as a full time position in the City of New Philadelphia with duties to enforce the housing code and building codes in the City of New Philadelphia and setting salary for such position, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)
- 32-2001 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2001 and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Jim Locker. 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:

- 8-2001 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County Ohio authorizing and directing the mayor of said City of New Philadelphia to act as the signature designee and to file an application for financial assistance under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) to the Ohio Department of Development, Division of Community Development, Office of Local Government, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.
- 9-2001 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to commend Jeanette Jenkins for her long and dedicated volunteer service to the New Philadelphia Airport Commission and the New Philadelphia Airport. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Jim Locker, seconded by Mr. Day. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.
- 12-2001 A resolution to adopt the budget for the year beginning January 1, 2002, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Ms. Walker. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.
- 15-2001 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, Ohio authorizing and directing the Mayor of said City of New Philadelphia to act as the signature designee for the

adoption of an anti-displacement and relocation assistance for local government plan, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

16-2001 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, Ohio authorizing and directing the Mayor of said City of New Philadelphia to act as the signature designee and to file all applications through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to obtain financial assistance for the repair and refurbishing to be completed at Tuscora Park, New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

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

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:22 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED July 9, 2001

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____