

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JULY 23, 2018 WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL SAM HITCHCOCK PRESIDING. PRESIDENT HITCHCOCK OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE MR. DEAN HOLLAND
 MR. DAN LANZER
 MRS. AIMEE MAY
 MR. ROB MAURER
 MR. KELLY RICKLIC
 MR. JOHN ZUCAL

EXCUSED ABSENCES MRS. CHERYL RAMOS
 LAW DIRECTOR MARVIN FETE

- MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED TO ADD RESOLUTION 19-2018 TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA WITH A RECOMMENDATION OF PASSAGE UPON 1st Reading
MR. ZUCAL SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RESOLUTION 19-2018 HAS BEEN ADDED TO TONIGHT’S AGENDA FOR 1st Reading

- MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED TO ACCEPT TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
TONIGHT’S AGENDA HAS BEEN ACCEPTED

- MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 9, 2018 REGULAR SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
MINUTES FROM THE JULY 9, 2018 REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL HAVE BEEN APPROVED

President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock made the following statement:

Just something extra on the Agenda. The assignments that were made at the beginning of the year and listed, I had assigned Mr. Holland to the Park Board. In the past it has not always been the person who would normally fill that position. The Chair of Parks and Cemetery has not always been able to attend that and represent the Park Board. That was the case with Mrs. May because of work responsibilities. However those responsibilities have changed so she is now able to attend the Park Board meetings and get the report to Council. For that reason since it is posted as an assignment I have assigned Mrs. May to be the representative of the Park Board, therefore relieve Mr. Holland of his attendance there. I want to thank Mr. Holland for all the time that he has spent and the reports that he has given on the Park Board, but I need ratification from Council for that assignment.

MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE REASSIGNMENT OF MRS. MAY AS THE PARK BOARD REPRESENTATIVE
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
MRS. MAY HAS BEEN REASSIGNED AS PARK BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK, JULIE COURTRIGHT

1. *To Clerk of Council from Treasurer Tom Gerber dated July 10, 2018. This is the City of New Philadelphia June 2018 Investment and Savings Report.*
2. *To Council and Administration from Auditor Beth Gundy, dated July 18, 2018. This is an email titled “Refund Check from the Ohio BWC ect”. This was replied to by Mayor Day, Councilman Zucal, Councilman Holland, and Councilman Ricklic.*
3. *To Council and Administration from Fire Chief Jim Parrish, dated July 20, 2018. This is an invitation to a presentation by the Emergency Services Consulting International Fire and EMS City of Uhrichsville by Mike Tucker, Project Manager. This will be on July 30th at 6:00 PM at Buckeye Career Center.*
4. *To Council and Administration from Law Director Marvin Fete, dated July 20, 2018. This is an email titled “I will be absent Monday, July 23rd, 2018.*
5. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated July 23rd, 2018. This is the Mayor’s Report.*

Administrative Reports.....

MAYOR'S REPORT/REQUESTSMAYOR JOEL B. DAY

Mayor Day had the following report:

- Local Manufacturers are Hiring: I attended the annual Tuscarawas County Dale Lauren Foland Manufacturing Festival this past Saturday at its new Tuscora Park location. And I learned from the nine local manufacturers in attendance that they are all hiring. The companies were Allied Machine and Engineering, Belden Brick, Dover Chemical, Gradall, Lauren International, Marsh Industries, Meteor Sealing Systems, the Timken Company, HV Coil and Eleet Cryogenics. They need employees with special skills as well as production line workers. These are manufacturing jobs. And I would encourage recent trade school or college graduates or anyone looking for steady work to contact them. By the way I thought Tuscora Park was the perfect location and the rib burn off between Hog Heaven and Texas Roadhouse was a great addition to the festival atmosphere. A big shout out goes to Mike Hovan and Lauren International, and Frank Polan and Buckeye Career Center for hosting the annual event.
- Menard's Construction Update: Rodney Wekkin, Menard's real estate representative, informed me via email last Friday that the company is awaiting the approval of its Notice of Intent permit application by the Ohio EPA. The NOI permit is required by the state prior to the start of construction project. It's my understanding that the NOI states how storm water runoff will be handled at a construction site. I have contacted State Representative Al Landis to ask if there is a way to speed up the permit approval process. Mr. Wekkin wrote that as soon as the NOI permit is approved, we should see construction activity at the store's Bluebell Drive location.
- Railroad Task Force Update: A meeting with our area's Congressional representatives will be the next step in my Railroad Task Force's effort to connect the railroad line running through New Philadelphia to the Dennison Depot Museum. The decision was made at the task force's most recent meeting last Monday. The rail line is owned by CSX Railroad and leased to R.J. Corman of Dover. The task force's desire to increase the use of the line by freight and excursion trains is being considered by Corman officials. The task force is asking the Congressional reps to facilitate a meeting with CSX officials where the members can present a business plan and vision for the railroad line.
- Emergency Services Consulting International to Unveil Fire Services Study: Officials from Emergency Services Consulting will be in town next week to present the results of their nine month study of New Philadelphia's and Uhrichsville's fire and EMS operations. The purpose of the study was to determine how both cities could solve their issues of increased call volume and rising overtime costs, and whether creation of a joint fire district could be a solution. The public presentation will be held on Monday July 30th at 6:00 p.m. in the Buckeye Career Center's cafeteria. I urge all Council members to attend.
- City Jail Meets the State's Requirements: My office received a copy of the letter sent to Police Chief Mike Goodwin by the state notifying him that the City jail has met the requirements of a "Compliant Jail." Administrators from the Ohio Bureau of Adult Detention wrote that, following its annual inspection, the jail is compliant with 100% of the Essential Standards and at least 90% of the Important Standards. Chief Goodwin and his staff should be congratulated for this achievement because it speaks to the high degree of professionalism that exists in our Police Department.

SERVICE DIRECTORMR. RON MCABIER

Mr. McAbier had the following report:

The CDBG Project since our last meeting has not been there. They had a big project in Holmes County. They should be there by the end of the week or by the first of next week. Also, we'll be opening bids for the Carlisle and Coniglio boat ramps on Thursday so by the next Council Meeting I will inform who was the winning bidder on that.

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY

Ms. Gundy had the following report:

I did speak to the Auditors about having an exit conference for our audit. They strongly suggested it be in Executive Session because it's not public record yet. Will next meeting, August 13th work?

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM

Mr. Popham gave the following report:

In the Fire Department we have an announcement. We have a retirement effective August 12th. James Miceli will be retiring. He was hired on in February of 1999 and has been a good servant of the City. Now I'd like to turn the rest of my time over to Fire Chief Jim Parrish and Fire Inspector Mike Pearch. This is the first year of having a Fire Inspector for the City of New Philadelphia. An inspector once told me that fire departments are good at putting out fires, but the really good ones are the ones that can keep fires from happening, and that is done through an inspection bureau. If you don't have inspections and you don't find these deficiencies then you have fires. Even 50 years ago one of the major things in big departments was the inspection, and finally after 40 some years we are now able to have a full time inspector and you'll see the results here.

Fire Chief Jim Parrish made the following statement:

As Safety Director Popham said it's been a year since July 1, 2017 when we implemented the Fire Prevention Bureau in the fire department. You have in front of you a handout. The way we did it before was the Captains and Lieutenants would have to do inspections between call and training and all the other fire department functions. The downside of all that is that we had a hard time getting back to re inspections. We had a hard time getting out there sometimes to do initial inspections because we were busy running calls and as call volume has continued to rise it just made it that much more difficult, so getting out heads together with the Mayor and the Safety Director we asked to try to implement a fire prevention bureau, as Safety Director Popham said the best fire department we could have is out there preventing fires and problems before they start. The most we ever did before was less than 90 inspections a year. In one year Mike has done 787 inspections, 545 re inspections, 25 activity reports, 4 day care inspections, 4 foster care inspections, 2 group homes, and 14 fire drills. That's an incredible number compared to what we did before. The other part of it is the business friendly part of it. If someone was putting an addition on a business or had some issue with their business, to have that person get back to them is just so important, and now we have a phone number that they call that rings directly into Mike's office, and we have the technology that notifies him if he's out doing an inspection. He's dedicated to that portion of the job. So, it's really made a difference. Mike still has all of his other certifications. He still serves as a lieutenant at the fire department and also on the fire grounds he serves as our safety officer.

Fire Inspector Mike Pearch gave the following presentation:

I know most of you know me. I've been on the fire department for 30 years, the last year has been as Fire Safety Inspector. There are about 760 businesses in the City/ I've talked to almost every one of them. It's worked out well. The reason we do inspections is because we want to keep businesses open. I also take complaints.

(Fire Inspector Pearch showed a series of slides to the audience showing work he's done at several businesses.)

Fire Chief Jim Parrish had the following comment:

Out of those inspections or re inspections a really important point that isn't on the handout is that we didn't have to cite anybody, we didn't have to take anybody to court, we didn't have to go to the Ohio Board of Building Appeals. We didn't have to do any of that, and that's contributed to having the right person on the job. Our purpose is to promote fire safety, make it easy for businesses to do business here in New Phila and also protect their liability.

Councilman Ricklic had the following comment:

Working for the schools I can attest to Mike being there and getting his first inspection from Buckeye Career Center last year, did a good job, came back and did a follow up. We had some minor things that we had to address because people moved some equipment around and we did that. So I think Mike has done a great job. His personality is perfect for the job. I really appreciated his time he took, the effort he put into the job, and the understanding that the schools that were built in 1976 were not built for the purpose of their use today. There was some bending of the rules to make it work. I think it's the right mentality that the Chief has passed on to his staff that in the City of New Philadelphia they find a way to say yes and make it work, not to shut you down.

Councilman Zucal had the following comment:

After seeing those pictures I think it further clarifies the fact of how important that role is and the idea is to be proactive on the end of that, rather than reactive in dealing with things after the fact because in your business reacting is not a good thing. I really appreciate seeing that because that gives us a firsthand understanding of the challenges you face in your jobs and in your career. Mike and Jim, thank you for that. It makes me feel better as a member of Council, it makes me feel better as a citizen to know that those things are being looked at and taken care of and addressed in a proper manner, so, money well spent, and a good decision by the Chief to go in that direction.

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

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

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR JOEL DAY

The Planning Commission will meet again on August 14th here in Council Chambers at 1:00 PM. We're still developing the Agenda.

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

The Board of Zoning Appeals met on July 10th at 5:00 PM with one variance request from a homeowner at 524 Gooding Avenue, noncompliance request 1161.05 (setback from alley). It was voted on with an approval of 5-0.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JOHN ZUCAL.....NO REPORT

PARK BOARD.....MRS. AIMEE MAY.....NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD..... MR. KELLY RICKLIC

The Health Board met on July 11, 2018 at noon in the Health Department. The educational topic of this month was tattoo and body piercing and the inspections that the department does. They go out to the businesses and go through their equipment and their procedures to ensure that they are doing them in a safe and nonthreatening way of transmitting diseases.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEEMR. ROB MAURER

Mr. Maurer had the following report:

The Finance Committee met this evening to discuss a Bureau of Workers Comp rebate check in the amount of \$148,000.00. The Committee took no action because we need more guidance from the auditor as to how we appropriate this check.

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JOHN ZUCAL.....NO REPORT

**President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock asked Mr. Zucal to take the resignation of Mr. Miceli into his Committee.*

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND.....NO REPORT

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

Mr. Ricklic had the following report:

The Safety, Health, and Service Committee met tonight to discuss the Resolution 19-2018, the assessment of the water facility. We met at 6:30pm, after some discussion of whether we would use the EPA's money or not we voted to add it to the Agenda tonight and pass it as an emergency so we would give time to the Service Director to get it in within the deadline. The motion was made by Mr. Maurer, seconded by Mr. Lanzer. It passed 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 PM.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.....MRS. CHERYL RAMOS.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

SPECIAL & CONTACT COMMITTEEMR DAN LANZER.....NO REPORT

**President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock asked Mr. Lanzer to take into his Committee the request by Walter Drane Company.*

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEEMRS. AIMEE MAY

Mrs. May had the following report:

The Parks and Cemetery Committee met this evening regarding Proposed Ordinance 14-2018 which would essentially create a new endowment fund 815 for the purpose of improving and expanding City owned cemeteries. We are double checking on one portion of the ordinance that requires all expenditures or transfers to be approved by a resolution by the Council and we're clarifying that with the Law Director. Otherwise we will add Ordinance 14-2018 to the August 13th Agenda for 3 Readings.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

Just to remind everyone that Sidewalk Sales begin this Thursday. So, speaking on behalf of the New Philadelphia Business and Community Association just make sure that you go out and support our local businesses. That's Thursday through Saturday.

Mr. Holland had the following comment:

Concerning Cleveland Clinic Union Hospital, Dr. John Idoine has joined the hospital staff. He's an orthopedic surgeon and he brings with him some capabilities that the hospital has not had in house before, and that's shoulder, hip, and knee replacements. He is an actual expert in his field of medicine and this is another significant stride for the hospital to improve patient care. Also, Dr. William Swoger has moved from Union Internal Medicine in Dover to Cleveland Clinic Union Hospital and open a new pulmonary sleep medicine and critical care center that's located inside the hospital. Dr. Swoger's office will be located on the main floor just off of the main entrance. Another item of interest to our community is the annual Hospice Garage Sale with all the proceeds going to benefit care for patients facing end of life issues as well as support for patient families. I certainly want to encourage everyone to donate to this very significant effort. You can drop off your donations at the Tuscarawas County Fairgrounds from July 17th through the 28th. This year 1st Choice Night is Thursday, August 2nd from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES:

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| 9-2018 | AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO AMEND CHAPTER 717.01 TO INCREASE LICENSE AND FEES FOR OPERATING A BOWLING ALLEY WITHIN CORPORATE LIMITS.
2 nd Reading |
| 10-2018 | AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO AMEND CHAPTER 729.02 TO INCREASE HANDBILL LICENSE FEES.
2 nd Reading |
| 11-2018 | AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO AMEND CHAPTER 723 COIN-OPERATED DEVICES TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES.
2 nd Reading |
| 12-2018 | AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO AMEND CHAPTER 765 SOFT DRINKS TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES.
2 nd Reading |
| 13-2018 | AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO AMEND CHAPTER 355 TO RAISE THE RENTAL RATE OF CITY OWNED PARKING SPACES.
2 nd Reading |

Mr. Zucal had the following question for Mayor Day:

Do we have a running list of who's occupying those rental spaces?

Mayor Day had the following response:

Yes, my Executive Assistant Mary Ann Otte maintains the list.

19-2018 AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE, ADOPT, AND ENACT THE CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES.
1st Reading

RESOLUTIONS:

18-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/ OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS, EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED, AND UPON AWARD OF THE GRANT TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO BID AND AWARD BIDS FOR THE WABASH AVE. NW IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.
2nd Reading

19-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SERVICE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR WATER FACILITIES; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN.
1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON RESOLUTION 19-2018
MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 19-2018

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 19-2018
MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RESOLUTION 19-2018 HAS BEEN APPROVED

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock had the following comment:

The New Philadelphia Lion's Club recently had participated in a fundraising program and it revolved around signs that were sold for \$20 a piece. Those signs stated "Back the Blue". They had a logo of the New Philadelphia Police Department and they also had a logo for the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Department. It seems like there's a certain segment of the population that has declared war on law enforcement and this seems like a very appropriate project to try to reinforce the support that our community has had and our support has been very good in our community for law enforcement and safety forces here in general. The sales went pretty well and the project was a success. Today at the Lion's Club meeting the New Philadelphia Lions presented a check to the New Philadelphia Police Department for \$1,000.00 and a check to Sheriff Orvis Campbell for \$1,000.00. This is for both departments to use on anything they feel would be beneficial to the department. The balance was kept for the Lion's Club to be able to do the different things that the Lion's Club is responsible for. The idea came to the Lion's Club some time ago by the Mayor and Councilman Holland. They came and brought the idea to the Lion's Club and brought the presentation and it was adopted by the Lion's Club as a very worthwhile thing, and something that may even come up again next year and maybe even expand to the Dover Lion's Club. I would like to call on Mr. Holland to give us a narrative on how the idea came about.

Mr. Holland made the following statement:

I happened to be visiting in the Dallas Fort Worth area in the city of Irving, Texas, a suburb of Dallas. I noticed that there were Back the Blue signs all over town, and it was in response to some of the issues that law enforcement has been facing for some time. The community wanted to show their support for their police department. I had a cousin that had an extra sign and I was able to get it through security at the airport. The signs were a recognition of support for law enforcement. I went to the Mayor and we discussed it. He felt like this would be a project that the Lion's Club would be interested in so we took it to the Lion's Club.

President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock had the following comment:

Law enforcement is oftentimes a very difficult and thankless effort and , as a Lion's Club member I would like to thank the Mayor and Mr. Holland for bringing the idea to the Lion's Club and I think it was a great thing for the community.

Mr. Zucal motioned to adjourn at 8:36 pm

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____
Julie Courtright

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____
Sam R. Hitchcock