

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON AUGUST 8, 2011 WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL JOEL DAY PRESIDING. MR. DAY OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

PRESIDENT JOEL DAY ANNOUNCED COUNCIL MEMBER, MR. ROB MAURER, IS EXCUSED FROM TONIGHT'S COUNCIL MEETING.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

MS. SANDY COX
MS. COLLEEN ESPENSCHIED
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER
MR. JIM LOCKER
MS. WINNIE WALKER
MR. JOHN ZUCAL

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MR. LOCKER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 6 YEAS, MOTION PASSED

MS. ESPENSCHIED MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SESSION HELD JULY 25, 2011 AND MR. ZUCAL SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 6 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK, PATRICIA MCKAY

1. Mayor's Report/Requests to Council August 8, 2011
2. Minutes of the Salary Committee Meeting for July 25, 2011
3. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for the Month of July 2011
4. Auditor's Monthly Statement of 2011 Revenue for the General Fund for the Month of July 2011
5. Auditor's Financial Statement for the Month of July 2011
6. New Philadelphia Police Monthly/ Activity Report for the Month of July 2011
7. New Philadelphia Fire Department July 2011 Month End Summary.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT/REQUESTMAYOR MICHAEL TAYLOR

Mayor Taylor reported the following:

- The City is in the process of setting up an App for Smart Phones or Ipads which will be available for free to the public. The Mayor reported that we have worked to set this up through Prestige Creative. This will be another method of free access to City news and information. We will be the first municipality in our county to offer this access for free to anyone.
When ready:
This App will be able to be downloaded from our City website or from the Internet on a free App site. It will access to phone numbers, our Council Minutes and Ordinances as the App will automatically connect their phone to our website for this information.
Our phone numbers that show on the App will be able to be dialed by just touching the phone number on the phone screen.
- The Mayor announced that he supports Ordinance 10-2011 and requests Council pass this tonight for the overlay to be approved in the Tuscarawas Regional Tech Park. Passage of this Ordinance will allow the CIC to have property in the Tech Park developed in a way that the City Zoning and the CIC Design Review guidelines mesh with each other.
- The Mayor reported that last Thursday evening, the City held its second annual employee family picnic. This event is set up through our Labor-Management Committee Meetings and was done at no cost to the City. The AFSCME and Fire Unions made donations to cover any costs and the Mayor thanked them for the support.

- The Mayor announced the New Philadelphia Business and Community Association will be holding their second and final Art Walk for the year on Saturday August 13th 2011. A lot of work has gone into this event in terms of working with the artists who will be present to display and sell their work. In addition, there will be live music entertainment and some additional new things including some options for food. It will be held downtown in the participating stores.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. JAMES ZUCAL

The Service Director reported the following:

- The Community Development Block Grant Project for this year which is on Ray Avenue NW (200 Block) by Central Elementary is progressing well.
- The demolition of the structure at 320 E. High Avenue is completed. There are two one stall garages on this property which will be torn down in the near future.
- The Housing Review Team will meet Wednesday.
- The Service Director announced that there are several smaller Storm Sewer Projects that will begin in the next few weeks and he will keep all informed of their progress.

AUDITOR.....MS. BETH GUNDY.....NO REPORT

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Mr. Popham reported that the Police Department would like to announce that the New Philadelphia Civil Service Commission gave notice that a Civil Service Examination will be administered for the office of Police Captain, on August 31, 2011 at 1:00 PM in Council Chambers and a Civil Service Examination will be administered for the position of Police Officer for the New Philadelphia Police Department on August 31, 2011 at 6:00 PM in the Tuscora Park Pavilion, at Tuscora Park.

Mr. Popham announced that Thad Polka resigned August 11th 2011 from the New Philadelphia Police Department, after approximately 14 years of service.

TREASURER.....MR. DAVE JOHNSON.....NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR.....MR. MICHAEL JOHNSON

The Law Director reminded all that Ordinance 10-2011 will have the 3rd reading after the Public Hearing which is scheduled at 8:00 PM no action can be taken until after the Public Hearing.

The Law Director reported:

Met with Service Director on a couple zoning issues that has been resolved.

Last Thursday at 7:00 PM he and the Mayor conducted a State Unemployment Hearing by phone.

The City was sued by a former Fireman under Workers Compensation and the Attorney General will defend the Industrial Commission. The Law Director reported that he filed for the city.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR MICHAEL TAYLOR

The Mayor announced the Planning Commission Meeting to be held Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 1:00 PM in Council Chambers was cancelled. The next Planning Commission Meeting will be held September 13, at 1:00 PM pending an agenda.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. JIM ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal announced that, the Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting will be held Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER

Mr. Locker announced that the Airport Commission will meet tomorrow night at 6:00 PM in the Airport Meeting Room

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER.....NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Ms. Cox announced that the Health Board will meet Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 12:00 noon in the Health Department.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEEMS. SANDY COX

Ms. Cox reminded all of the Finance Committee Meeting scheduled for tonight immediately following the Session of the Regular Council Meeting in Council Chambers to discuss Proposals For Workers Compensation; and any other matter that may come before the Committee.

President Joel Day assigned to the Finance Committee Ordinance 13-2011 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2011 which will be discussed in the Finance Committee Meeting tonight along with the proposals for Workers Compensation.

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JIM LOCKER.....NO REPORT

ROB MAURER....NO REPORT

Excused Absence

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. . MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGERR NO REPORT

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEEMS. COLLEEN ESPENSCHIED

Ms. Espenschied reminded Council of the Zoning & Annexation Committee meeting to be held at 7:00 PM Monday, August 22, 2011 in Council Chambers to discuss the cancellation of the Enterprise Zone Agreement with Graphic Enterprises, and any other matter to come before the committee.

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. JOHN ZUCAL

A notice to Council from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control to Dolgen Midwest LLC DBA Dollar General Store #2509, 348 Bluebell Drive NW, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663 for a New C1 Permit.. Asking objections be made no later than August 15, 2011.

Mr. Zucal moved that Council accept the recommendation to authorize the Clerk of Council to forward to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control a signed and dated request for Dolgen Midwest LLC DBA Dollar General Store #2509, 348 Bluebell Drive NW, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663 for a New C1 Permit and designating that we do not request a hearing..

Ms. Cox seconded the motion. Roll Call, 6 yeas, Motion Passed

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEEMS. WINNIE WALKER.....NO REPORT

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

Diane Lautenschleger
250 Lewis Avenue NW
New Philadelphia, OH 44663

New Philadelphia Business and Community Association
126 East High Avenue
New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663
Diane Lautenschleger, Administrative Director, of New Philadelphia Business and Community Association

Ms. Lautenschleger greeted everyone and then handed out a flyer to reminded Council of the Merchants and Artists Walk to be held Saturday August 13, 2011 from 6 to 9 PM. The theme of the event is “Everyone’s an Artist in Downtown New Philadelphia.”. Participants will include artisans, jazz and vocal musicians, local celebrities and the NPHS Football Team.

Ms. Lautenschleger reported that the “How Sweet It Is, Sidewalk Sale 2011” was a success and thanked everyone for their help and support. Ms. Lautenschleger also thanked the Service Director and Police Chief for conducting the Third Annual Critter Cook off.

Council President Joel Day announced that we will have Unfinished or Old Business and New Business now. Council will Recess at 7:55 PM for 5 Minutes before going into the 8:00 PM Public Hearing After the Public Hearing to discuss Ordinance 10-2011 at 8:00 PM Council will go back into their regular session and we will have the reading of all the Ordinances and Resolutions.

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS:

- Ms. Cox thanked the administration, superintendents and workers for responding to the numerous complaints she reported from the citizens for this week that were resolved.
High Grass
Pot holes
Junk Piles
- Ms. Walker thanked everyone for resolving the high grass complaints.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Zucal requested permission from President Joel Day to look into our ordinances in regard to Health Issues. President Joel Day did assign this issue to Mr. Zucal
As was requested by, Mr. Zucal, with the assistance of the Health Commissioner Vicki Ionno, will look at our ordinances to see if they are lacking teeth to make them more effective and to report back to council on his findings. Some of the concerns that Mr. Zucal had were tires and air conditions in yards and washing machines on porches.
- Mr. Locker reported that he had received complaints about Council's action in June on approving a 3 percent increases for administrators, non bargaining employees and elected officials, retroactive to January 1, 2011. Mr. Locker announced that he is the one who initiated the 3 percent raises for non bargaining employees. Mr. Locker stated that being a former Police Chief, he knew first hand that non bargaining employees had no one to speak for them. Mr. Locker stated that employees, such as school crossing guards and lifeguards at Tuscora Park, have saved lives and he feels "the non bargaining raise of 3 percent is worth it."

COUNCIL RECESSED AT 7:55 PM FOR 5 MINUTES BEFORE GOING INTO THE 8:00 PM PUBLIC HEARING

AT 8:00 COUNCIL ADJOURNED FROM REGULAR SESSION INTO PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS
ORDINANCE 10-2011

An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio authorizing the creation of a Subzone Within Industrial Zones which will become known as Industrial Overlay Zoning District which shall be applied to the Tuscarawas Regional Technology Park in New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

THERE BEING NO COMMENTS FOR OR AGAINST, THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:01 PM.

8:01PM COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE:

- 10-2011 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio authorizing the creation of a subzone within Industrial Zones which will become known as Industrial Overlay Zoning District which shall be applied to the Tuscarawas Regional Technology Park in New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Locker, seconded by Ms. Cox
 Roll call, 6 yeas, Ordinance passed.
- 11-2011 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to approve, adopt and enact the current 2011 replacement pages to the codified ordinances, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:

24-2011 A Resolution by Council of the City of New Philadelphia, to commend Keith L. Eames for his years of service and dedication to the City of New Philadelphia during his 6 years serving the City of New Philadelphia including 5 years as Director of Environmental Health. (1st Reading)

25-2011 A Resolution by Council of the City of New Philadelphia, to commend Kelly M. Ricklic for his years of service and dedication to the City of New Philadelphia during his 24 years serving the City of New Philadelphia including 12 years as Water Superintendent. (1st Reading)

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX, MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:04 PM

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____