

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2006 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. ROBERT CONNER  
MS. SANDY COX  
MR. JIMMY EICHEL  
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON  
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER  
MR. JIM LOCKER

COUNCILMAN ROB MAURER WAS ABSENT.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report.
2. Auditor’s Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for August 2006.
3. Auditor’s Financial Statement for August 2006.
4. Treasurer’s Reconciliation of August 2006.
5. Treasurer’s Summary of Transactions for the General Checking Account for August 2006.
6. Treasurer’s Statement of Transactions of all City funds for August 2006.
7. Tuscora Park Board meeting minutes of August 30. 2006.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR’S REPORT.....MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from August 28 through September 11, 2006. Reported meeting August 29 with ODOT representatives to address safety concerns on West High Ave. Reported that he attended an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony at Amberwood Manor. Reported meeting August 30 to discuss the traffic light system. Welcomed Geoffrey DeMattio as a new police officer. Reported that on September 9 he attended the Miller Studio Picnic to present Mr. Max Miller with a proclamation in honor of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Congratulated Main Street for the annual car show held recently downtown.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that fire hydrant flushing will begin September 25. Reported that five bids were received for the Union Avenue storm sewer, and all were below the engineer’s estimates. Reported that the 24<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge is complete. Announced that Assistant Service Director Jim Zucal has received accreditation as a Certified Arborist.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM . . . . . NO REPORT

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

Mayor Brodzinski reported that the State Audit for 2004 and 2005 was done and he congratulated the Auditor's Office.

TREASURER . . . . . MR. MIKE TAYLOR

Requested approval of his and the Auditor's August reports. Mr. Lautenschleger made a motion to approve the reports. Mr. Houston seconded the motion. Roll call, 6 yeas, motion passed.

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MIKE JOHNSON . . . . . NO REPORT

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE . . . . . MS. JESSICA KOPELWITZ

Thanked everyone who helped in any way during the recent car show held downtown. Announced that the holiday decorating will begin November 4.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet October 11, 2006 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that there were no appeals to be heard for September.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER

Will meet September 12 at 6:00 at the Airport meeting room.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting August 30. The Board will seek a grant to fund repairs or new tennis courts. Reported that a report is still expected concerning the Ferris wheel accident in June. Will meet September 20, 2006 at 7:30 P.M. in the Park office.

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet September 13, 2006 in the Health Department at 12:00 PM.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDY COX

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Ordinance 35-2006 and the City's Fixed Asset Policy. The Committee approved both issues, and recommends emergency passage on Ordinance 35-2006. Mr. Johnson assigned a letter from Water Superintendent Kelly Ricklic requesting additional appropriations for the Water Department.

SALARY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIM LOCKER . . . . . NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . MR. ROB MAURER . . . ABSENT . . . NO REPORT

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. . . MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting tonight to continue discussion on the sanitation levy. Jeff Tucker of Rea & Assoc. was in attendance for a possible study for a fee system should the levy fail. Mr. Tucker said he feels a study is not necessary. The Committee will meet again on September 20 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss a fee proposal by the Mayor. Mr. Johnson assigned problems with the downtown trees entering into the city’s sewer system.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE. . . . MR. GEORGE HOUSTON . . . . . NO REPORT

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. ROBERT CONNER . . . . . NO REPORT

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIMMY EICHEL . . . . . NO REPORT

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

Connie Smith, 1221 Fairway Dr. N.E., New Philadelphia said she is interested in opening a skilled gaming parlor, and is asking for Council’s consideration.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 35-2006 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2006 and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
  - Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 6 yeas rules suspended.
  - Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 6 yeas, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 25-2006 A resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. (2nd Reading)
  - Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Lautenschleger. Roll call, 6 yeas, rules suspended.
  - Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 6 yeas, resolution passed.
- 27-2006 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to authorize the Service Director to enter into contracts and to make the payments thereon for the water line replacement on West High Avenue and the construction of a new storm sewer line at Union Avenue, New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
  - Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Lautenschleger, seconded by Mr. Eichel. Roll call, 6 yeas, rules suspended.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Johnson reminded the Mayor that he would like a listing of all those who have a Codified Ordinance Book in their possession.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Brodzinski reminded everyone that this is the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11 attacks on our country, and we should pray for our servicemen who work so diligently to protect our nation.

Mr. Johnson assigned Ms. Smith's letter requesting a gaming parlor to the Parks & Cemetery Committee.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:00 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED September 25, 2006

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_