

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON NOVEMBER 26TH, 2012 WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL SAM HITCHCOCK PRESIDING. MR. HITCHCOCK OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

- MS. SANDY COX
- MS. COLLEEN ESPENSCHIED
- MR. DAN LANZER
- MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER
- MR. ROB MAURER
- MS. WINNIE WALKER
- MR. JOHN ZUCAL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, SAM HITCHCOCK, ANNOUNCED THE LAW DIRECTOR, MR. MARVIN FETE, IS EXCUSED FROM TONIGHT’S COUNCIL MEETING.

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT TONIGHT’S AGENDA
MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION
ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL HELD ON NOVEMBER 12TH, 2012
MR. ZUCAL SECONDED THE MOTION
ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK, PATRICIA MCKAY

1. Mayor’s Report/ Requests to Council dated November 26th, 2012
2. Notice dated November 7th, 2012 from HomeServe in regard to a mailing of a solicitation for Water Service Line Coverage to residents of New Philadelphia, Ohio starting in November 2012
3. A note from Darrin Lautenschleger and his family thanking Council Members, Council President and Council Clerk for their Expression of Sympathy
4. November 12th, 2012 correspondence Safety Health and Service Committee Meeting Minutes for April should have been Minutes from April 9th, 2012 Meeting.
5. Ambulance Committee Meeting Minutes dated November 12th, 2012
6. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from Monday, November 12th, 2012
7. Request dated November 26th, 2012 to the Council President from the Mayor, to assign to Committee the Contract with Tuscarawas County Sheriff to house prisoners at the County Jail.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR’S REPORT/REQUESTSMAYOR MICHAEL TAYLOR

Mayor Taylor addressed the following:

- The Mayor, as a member of the Stark Tuscarawas Wayne Joint Solid Waste District Policy Committee, informed Council of the following:
The process to officially update the Waste District’s Operating Plan as required by the Ohio EPA is underway. The Committee will be working on this throughout 2013 and it is anticipated that it will be ready and all required government ratifications will be completed by June of 2014.
- The Mayor reported that we are working with OMEGA:
To finalize the final formal application for grant funds through the Ohio State ARC Funds for the Five Points Storm Water Project for next year. We are seeking grants funds towards this of \$100,000.
- The Mayor reported we are in the final process of having our ground radio license as required by the FCC renewed. (this is at the Airport)
- The Mayor announced HomeServe once again is soliciting New Philadelphia residents about buying Water Service Line Coverage for their properties. Residents are responsible for any maintenance expenses for their water line from the City laterals to their home.
The City is not directly involved in this solicitation and does not take any position on whether residents should purchase this coverage or not.
- The Mayor reminded everyone of the upcoming Christmas Parade on Friday December 7th, 2012
The Parade will start at Tuscora Park at 6:00 PM

Travel down North Broadway to the Square
Turn right onto West High to Second Street NW
Turn right for another block and end at the First United Church of Christ.
NPBCA is also sponsoring a Home Lighting Contest on North Broadway along the parade route.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. JAMES ZUCAL

The Service Director reported the following:

- The Blake Avenue Water Line Replacement Project is progressing well. Tucson, Inc. is doing a great job. Ed Wilson and the Water Department team are involved.
- The leave pick up is on schedule. The Street employees along with some additional help that is hired seasonally are working on this and at this time, they are working on the Northwest section of the City. A leave pick up schedule was published earlier.

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY NO REPORT

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Mr. Popham reported Officer Dan Risinger retired from the Police Department last week. This morning Mayor Taylor swore in Tessa Pohovey. She started her duties on the day shift and will go through 6- 8- 10 weeks on the job training program.

TREASURERMR. DAVE JOHNSON..... NO REPORT

**LAW DIRECTORMR. MARVIN FETE..... NO REPORT
EXCUSED ABSENCE**

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR MICHAEL TAYLOR

Mayor Taylor announced the Planning Commission did not meet in the Month of November there was no agenda. The next Planning Commission Meeting will be held Tuesday, December 11th, 2012 at 1:00 PM in Council Chambers pending an agenda.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. JAMES ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal announced the Board of Zoning Appeals will be December 11th, 2012 at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers pending an agenda.

AIRPORT COMMISSION..... MR. JOHN ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal announced that due to a lack of a quorum, the Airport Commission did not have a meeting on November 13th, 2012.

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

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Ms. Cox announced that the Health Board will meet Wednesday, December 19th, 2012 at 12:00 noon.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE.MS. SANDY COX NO REPORT

Ms. Cox announced the Finance Committee is requesting the rules be suspended for Ordinance 16- 2012 and for it to be passed this evening. (An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2012)

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JOHN ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal reported that the Salary Committee met this evening at 7:04 PM in Council Chambers the item on the table was the discussion of pay increases for Elected Officials. Mr. Zucal reported that this goes back to the initial conversations held earlier in the year as to whether or not those actual raises could be granted to Elected Officials. The determination was made earlier on by the Law Director that it was permitted for elected officials to receive salary increases. The point of discussion this evening concerned this.

SAFETY HEALTH & SERVICE COMMITTEEMR. ROB MAURER

Mr. Maurer reported that the Safety Health & Service Committee met tonight at 6:30 PM in Council Chambers with one item to discuss.

The Committee discussed Chapter 947 which deals with Water Wells/Test Wells, Soil Borings/Geothermal /Heating and Cooling Systems.

Mr. Ed Wilson, Mr. Lee Finley and Ms. Amy Gilland have put six months of work into revamping the 947. To bring it up to date, we are throwing out the old Chapter 947 and replacing with this the work that they have done. The Committee had made a recommendation to have the Law Director draw up the proper legislation for it to be present at the next Council Meeting December 10th, 2012. However; we will have a meeting prior to to that to see if there are any questions that need to be addressed as we are going to try to pass this by the end of the year.

President Mr. Hitchcock assigned to the Safety Health & Service Committee the Contract with Tuscarawas County Sheriff to house prisoners at the County Jail.

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

Mr. Lautenschleger reported that the Public Works & Economic Development Committee met this evening in the Council Chambers to discuss a proposal from AEP Energy to perform the Electric Sales and Related Services for the City.

- Jamie Jankowski from AEP Energy was on hand with us to describe the program. Which Basically, AEP Energy assists the City in identifying opportunities to reduce the City’s overall cost related to Energy Consumption as well as to reduce the use of Energy Consumption through a number of methods without making any physical changes to any buildings, equipment and etc.
- The Review that was initially done by AEP Energy has found that the City currently spends about \$679,000 per year for energy costs and that the work that they would perform which is included in the Technical Agreement would involve a savings on an annual basis of between \$80,000 to \$112,000 per year. Of course that is based on markets as well as the rest of the work they would do. They are offering a contract of terms of 17, 29, 36 months.
- At this point that would lock in the City on its overall cost. Administration has recommended that the City would enter into a 36 Month Agreement and on a vote of the Committee; the Committee has directed the Law Director to prepare the proper legislation for a 36 Month Agreement for first reading at the December 10th, 2012 Regular Session of Council, rules to be suspended and passage on first reading. A Committee Meeting is scheduled at 7:15 PM, December 10th, 2012 before the Regular Session of Council for the purpose the Committee to wrap up or answer any follow up questions that may be necessary prior to the next Regular Session of Council. The Committee voted 3-0 on that.

There were no other items to come before the Committee.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEEMS. COLLEEN ESPENSCHIEDNO REPORT

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. DAN LANZERNO REPORT

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

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES:

15-2012 An ordinance to make temporary appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of New Philadelphia State of Ohio during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2013, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

16-2012 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2012 and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox
Seconded by Mr. Maurer
Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox
Seconded by Ms. Espenschied
Roll call, 7 yeas, Ordinance passed

RESOLUTIONS:

26-2012 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia authorizing the Chief of Police to receive bids from federally licensed firearms dealers for the purposes of selling off firearms and dangerous ordnance. Placed in the custody of the New Philadelphia Police Department for disposal by order of any court of record that has territorial jurisdiction over the City of New Philadelphia, for the purposes selling said weapons to the highest bidder and then using the funds from the sale to purchase any and all firearms needed for the New Philadelphia Police Department. (2nd Reading)

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS:NONE

NEW BUSINESS:NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX AT 7:49 PM

CLERK OF COUNCIL_____

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL_____