

**SALARY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
July 28TH, 2014**

The Salary Committee met Monday, July 28th, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers at the Knisely Centre. In attendance were Salary Committeepersons: Dan Lanzer, Chairperson John Zucal and Alternate, Sandy Cox. Salary Committeeperson Ms. Winnie Walker had an excused absence from tonight's meeting.

Guests were Mayor David Johnson, Law Director Marvin Fete, Service Director James Zucal, Safety Director Greg Popham, Auditor Beth Gundy, .President of Council Sam Hitchcock, Council Clerk Patti McKay, Councilpersons Darrin Lautenschleger, Rob Maurer and Mrs. Ramos, Nathan Cozart of WTUZ Radio and City Residents Mark Cox and Ethan Zucal.

THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS TO DISCUSS THE PLACEMENT OF NEW PHILADELPHIA COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES ON LINE AND ANY OTHER MATTER THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

SALARY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON, JOHN ZUCAL CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

Mr. Zucal informed all that what we are trying to do is foster an environment where we are as transparent and open to our General Public as much as possible.

OUR HOPE TONIGHT IS TO HAVE A GOOD DISCUSSION ABOUT WAYS WE CAN SUPPORT PROVIDING THE GENERAL PUBLIC ACCESS TO OUR COMMITTEE MEETINGS MINUTES ON LINE.

Not as an Audio Format but as a PDF Version. We do have our Council Meeting Minutes on line. Mr. Zucal felt it would be beneficial to a Committee Member to have an electronic version. This is an opportunity to make the minutes available and easy to access.

Comment from the President of Council Mr. Sam Hitchcock:

“It would be much more convenient to print out the minutes or view on line. I’m not in favor of putting audio on but I think it would be beneficial to the public to be able to see the printed version of all the Committee Meetings to see what is going on in the City.”

Comment from the Alternate Committeeperson Ms. Cox:

“My minutes are always turned in; the Clerk can forward them to the IT Department.”

Comment from Committeeperson Mr. Lanzer:

“As long as it is not a major burden or expense I feel it is great to have transparency like that.”

Comments from the Mayor:

Mayor Johnson clarified that he did not have a problem with putting the minutes on line as long as it does not cause kayos in the area.

“We are doing things that were not done in the past.

We are being more efficient, our time is spent more efficiently so we get more things done.”

“We have the capability and the IT Department will have time to put Committee Written Minutes on the City’s Website.

The Committee Meetings Minutes do have to be done in a timely manner.”

Comments from the Law Director:

No legislation has to be drawn up for this only a majority votes from Council Members is needed.

Comments from the Committee Chairperson:

“It is an Administrative Function.
Administration with Council in cooperation with the Mayor’s Office.
We send our minutes through the Clerk to have access to those.”

Comments from Mrs. Ramos:

“We give our minutes to the Clerk who can forward to Mr. Erb the IT Department. When Mr. Erb has time he will have them uploaded.”

Committeeperson Mr. Lanzer:

Committeeperson Mr. Lanzer made a motion to include City Council Committee Meeting Minutes on line located at the City’s Website.
The motion was seconded by Ms. Cox.
Committee voted 3-0 motion passed.

Since this is an Administrative Function of Council, during his report time tonight Mr. Zucal will request that the Clerk call the roll for Council as a whole on this Administration Act to include the Council Committee Meeting Minutes on line at the City’s Website.

As there was no other matter to come before the Committee
Committee Member Mr. Lanzer made a motion
To adjourn the meeting at 7:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Zucal, Chairperson
Salary Committee