

New Philadelphia City Council

Finance Committee

Meeting Notes

November 14, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

Present for all or portions of the meeting were the following: committee chairman Darrin Lautenschleger and committee member Rob Maurer; committee alternate Dean Holland; Councilmembers Aimee May and Cheryl Ramos; Council President Sam Hitchcock; Clerk of Council Julie Courtright; Service Director Ron McAbier; City Law Director Marvin Fete; Safety Director Greg Popham; City Treasurer Tom Gerber;; Leslie Miller, chief probation officer for New Philadelphia Municipal Court; Julie Levengood Stephon of New Philadelphia Business and Community Association; and Mary of WTUZ Radio.

ITEMS: Proposed Resolution 46-2016 and Proposed Ordinance 16-2016.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 46-2016 and PROPOSED ORDINANCE 16-2016: Chairman Lautenschleger explained that these two pieces of legislation are related to the same topic, the recent grant award received by New Philadelphia Municipal Court to assist with case management.

Leslie Miller, chief probation officer for the Court, said that this is the first grant that the Court has received amounts to \$32,519 to help with case management and reduce the number of defendants who are incarcerated through the Court. She said the entire Court staff was very pleased to receive the grant and believe it will benefit the community through the productive management of defendants.

In response to a question, Law Director Marvin Fete said that a special fund in the city budget needs to be established for the grant because expenditures for it are specific to the grant stipulations. Mr. Fete also recommended that Finance Committee consider adding both pieces of legislation to the agenda tonight at the regular session of Council and passing them on first reading since the grant dollars already have been received by Municipal Court.

ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Maurer, seconded by Mr. Zucal, the Committee voted 3-0 to recommend to City Council that Proposed Resolution 46-2016 and Proposed Ordinance 16-2016 each be added to the agenda for first reading at tonight's regular session of City Council, that the rules be suspended on these two pieces of legislation, and that the legislation be approved on first reading.

With no further business to be discussed by the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Darrin Lautenschleger
Chairman