

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON APRIL 10, 2000 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. ART CICONETTI
MS. SANDRA COX
MR. JOEL DAY
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON
MR. JIM LOCKER
MR. TOM LOCKER
MR. MIKE TAYLOR

THE MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2000 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE. CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for March, 2000.
2. Annexation & Zoning Committee meeting minutes of March 27, 2000.
3. New Philadelphia City Board of Health meeting minutes of March 8, 2000.
4. The Auditor's Financial Statement for the Month of March, 2000.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT.MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from March 27 through April 10,2000. Reported that Main Street New Philadelphia Director Heather Campbell has resigned, and applications for her replacement are being taken through the Main Street program. Reported that the union agreement with the service employees has been finalized and an agreement reached. A clean copy of the contract has not yet been received, nor has a clean copy of the clerical workers' contract been received, so he asked that Ordinance 13-2000 be held. Relinquished the floor to Special Assistant Tom Farbizo, who reported that, on March 28, he was contacted by the owner of Small Expression's Children's store about the city's linked deposit program. Reported that on April 3, he was contacted by Senator DiDonato and Representative Metzger regarding the \$50,000 Tuscora Park grant for the paving of the parking lot and repair of the retaining walls. Reported that the fuel is in the new tanks at the airport, and pumping can begin soon. Mayor Brodzinski congratulated Mr. Farbizo for receiving the Vocational Service Award from the New Philadelphia Rotary Club on March 27, 2000. Mayor Brodzinski informed Council that an additional \$50,000 grant for the park is in the governor's budget. This will allow for the paving of the 2nd St. Parking lot and storm sewers. Mayor Brodzinski asked that Council think about possible planning for the park land on the southside.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that bids for the CDBG for Front St. And the waterline project at Beaver Ave. And Hillandale have been received, and they are both under the estimated cost. The Water Department has started to flush the fire hydrants. He recommended that a \$100.00 filing fee be added to Ordinance 28-2000. Mr. Taylor asked if certain sections are repetitive. Mr. Espenschied said this ordinance will be assigned and reviewed by a committee.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.MR. GREG POPHAM.NO REPORT

AUDITOR.MS. BETH GUNDY

Informed Council that no necessary action is needed tonight on Ordinances 30-2000 and 31-2000.

TREASURER.MR. BOB GERBER.NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR.MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that the Janet Hurst judgment has been released, and the City has received their final payment. Reported that the income tax ordinance has been found constitutional by Common Pleas Court, and efforts are being made to collect against any individual who has work contacts within the city, but has not been paying taxes. Informed Council that a ruling has been made in the favor of the City concerning the prior operator at the airport for hangar rental fees. The City must make a bond payment of \$14,985 to the Clerk of Courts, so he will work with the mayor and the auditor to get this resolved.

Quicksall & Assoc. Representative Roy Crawford reported that the 18th St. Bridge project has re-started.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet Wednesday, April 19, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. At the park.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported meeting April 4 to review 8 variances. 7 were granted, and 1 was tabled.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.MR. JIM LOCKER.NO REPORT

PARK BOARD.MR. ART CICCONE.NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD.MS. SANDRA COX

Will meet Wednesday, April 12 at noon in the mayor's office.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE.MS. SANDRA COX.NO REPORT

SALARY COMMITTEE.MR. JIM LOCKER.NO REPORT

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE.MR. MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that the Ambulance Committee met tonight to review a rate increase request proposed by Fire Chief Caton. The Committee voted to recommend that the emergency basic life support be increased from \$100 to \$120 and emergency advanced life support, from \$150 to \$170. The Committee noted that there have been no increases since January, 1995.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.MR. JOEL DAY.NO REPORT

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.MR. GEORGE HOUSTON

Mr. Houston asked Law Director Mike Johnson to explain certain sections of Ordinance 28-2000. Mr. Johnson said those sections are redundant, and he will meet with Service Director Gary Espenschied to make any necessary changes.

CONTACT COMMITTEE.MR. ART CICCONE

Reported meeting March 29 to discuss a request for a liquor license for the Airport Restaurant. The Committee voted unanimously to approve the request. The new computer-read water meters was also discussed, and there was a demonstration on their use. Mr. Johnson asked Mr. Cicconetti to meet with the mayor and service director to review the CDBG program.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.MR. TOM LOCKER.NO REPORT

At the request of Mayor Brodzinski, Mr. Johnson re-assigned the south side park land development to the Special Committee, and asked that the Committee meet with the Park Board to review their plans.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

William Bevan, 412 Front St., S.W., New Philadelphia, asked if there could be a traffic count before and after the lights are installed downtown to see if traffic on Front St. Will change. He said some of the lights in the City are hard to see in sunshine. General Services Superintendent Fred Neff said new lenses have been ordered, and should be arriving any day.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 13-2000 An ordinance to authorize the Mayor of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, to enter into the union contract with Clerical Union Local 1958 Clerical Chapter and Ohio Council 8 AFSCME for the years 2000, 2001, and 2002, and declaring an emergency. (4Th Reading)

- 17-2000 An ordinance to increase the salary of the New Philadelphia Water Superintendent by \$1.02 per hour effective April 1, 2000, and declaring an emergency. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Jim Locker, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Mr. Bevan, 412 Front St., New Philadelphia, asked why this is such a big increase. Mayor Brodzinski explained that when he was appointed to the position as superintendent, the assistant was at a higher rate of pay, so this increase brings him in line with the responsibilities of the position. Roll call, 5 yeas 2 nays (Cox & Houston), ordinance passed.

- 18-2000 An ordinance to increase the salary of the New Philadelphia City Auditor to \$40,000.00 per year effective January 1, 2000, and declaring an emergency. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Jim Locker, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Roll call, 6 yeas 1 nay (Houston), ordinance passed.

- 19-2000 An ordinance to set the salary for the New Philadelphia City Income Tax Administrator at \$36,000.00 per year effective January 1, 2000, and declaring an emergency. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Jim Locker, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Roll call, 5 yeas 2 nays (Cox & Houston), ordinance passed.

- 20-2000 An ordinance by the City Council of New Philadelphia, Ohio to vacate an unnamed alley extending approximately 480 feet east of Third Street NW between Ohio Avenue and Carrie Avenue, and declaring an emergency. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

- 21-2000 An ordinance accepting James Street NW in the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio for street purposes and dedication, and declaring an emergency. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Cicconetti, seconded by Mr. Tom Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

- 28-2000 An ordinance by the City of New Philadelphia to adopt standards for dedicated private drives within the City of New Philadelphia, and declaring an emergency. (1St Reading)

29-2000 An ordinance to authorize the clothing allowance at \$200.00 per year for auxiliary New Philadelphia police officers, and declaring an emergency. (1St Reading)

Mr. Johnson assigned this ordinance to the Finance Committee for review.

30-2000 An ordinance to establish fund #340, the 18th Street Bridge Note Fund to receive revenue and to pay down the debt on the 18th Street Bridge, and declaring an emergency. (1St Reading)

31-2000 An ordinance authorizing the City of New Philadelphia Auditor to deposit cable tv franchise fee revenue directly into certain accounts for the calendar year 2000, and declaring an emergency. (1St Reading)

32-2000 An ordinance by the City Council of New Philadelphia, Ohio to vacate Eaton Street, and declaring an emergency. (1St Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yes, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Day. Roll call, 7 yes, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS: NONE

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Cicconetti reported, on behalf of the Shade Tree Commission, that 97 trees have been received, with 93 of them being planted in the curbstrips, 4 trees were refused, so they will be planted elsewhere. Mr. Cicconetti said residents are not forced to take the tree if they do not want it.

Ms. Cox said she has had several calle about work being done at Shel-mar, and wanted to know what is being done there. Mr. Espenschied said they are cleaning the sewer lines.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:05 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED APRIL 24, 2000

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____