

5. *To Council from Mayor Day, dated July 9, 2020. This is an email titled "Installation of Jim Locker Lane"*
6. *To Council and Administration from Treasurer Gerber, dated July 13, 2020. This is the City of New Philadelphia May 2020 Deposits.*
7. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated July 13, 2020. This is the Mayor's Report*

Administrative Reports.....

**President Kemp asked Mr. Lanzer to take the 2020 Codified Ordinances into his Committee for consideration.*

MAYOR'S REPORT/REQUESTS ...MAYOR JOEL B. DAY

Mayor Day had the following report:

- **A NEW EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE:** Lacey McKain of Tabor Ridge Road has been hired as the new Executive Assistant in the Mayor's office. She replaces Mary Ann Otte, who is retiring on July 31st after serving as my assistant for the past four and a half years. Mary Ann has been A source of strength and encouragement for me. She will be missed. But I'm happy that retirement will give her the opportunity to spend more time with her family and devote more time to her Joe Otte Memorial Fund and other personal endeavors. Ms. McKain has a degree in education from Kent State University and holds an insurance certification in property, casualty, life and health from Hondros College of Business. She and her husband have two children. She will join the City's administrative team and begin her training on Monday July 20th.

- **REVIEWING JULY 7TH FLASH FLOOD DAMAGE:** Last Tuesday's flash flood on the northwest side of town was the most intense cloud burst many of us have ever seen. Rain gauges in the Lakeview area measured up to six inches of rainfall. I have encouraged Service Director McAbier to pursue his ideas to include additional storm water management solutions in next year's Lakeview Avenue sidewalk project and to pursue ways to fund road reconstruction and storm sewer improvements in the Glen Drive area. Both areas were the hardest hit by the storm water rushing downhill.

- **DISCUSSING A NEW FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT WITH GOSHEN TOWNSHIP:** Fire Chief Parrish, Safety Director Popham and myself have begun discussions with the Goshen Township trustees on a new fire protection contract with the township. The township's current contract with the City expires at the end of 2021. We wanted to begin the discussion now so that the trustees could have a plan in place to take to their voters next year.

- **WEDNESDAY IS TAX DAY:** This Wednesday July 15th is the deadline for filing your City income tax return and also your state and federal returns. The City Income Tax office is located on the lower level of the John Knisely Municipal Centre at 150 East High Avenue. Anyone entering City Hall is asked to wear a face covering. There is a hand sanitizing station in the foyer as you enter the building. Social distancing markings are in the hallway leading up to the Income Tax office customer counter. To avoid having to stand in line to file, the night deposit slot is available on the east side of the building.

- **GOVERNOR DEWINE'S NEW OHIO PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY SYSTEM :**To help raise awareness of the local spread of the coronavirus, Governor Dewine and the Ohio Department of Health have created a color-coded system called the "Ohio Public Health Advisory System." To explain the system, and to give Council an update on the local COVID-19 situation, I would like to yield the balance of my time to City Health Commissioner Vickie Ionno.

Vickie Ionno had the following report:

(Mrs. Ionno distributed handouts to all of Council and Administration with the latest local numbers for Covid-19.) As of today at 2 o'clock Tuscarawas County as a whole has 620 positive cases. Out of that 113 are active. We have had 10 deaths as a whole county. In New Philadelphia as of today we are up to 176 positive cases among residents in the City. Out of that we are following 17 active cases. We've had four deaths and we have two hospitalized. One was hospitalized over the weekend and he's now on a ventilator. Fortunately most people survive Covid, unfortunately some people don't. The Governor has now implemented the Ohio Public Health Advisory System. (Mrs. Ionno explained the different color levels and explained Tuscarawas County is Level 2) There are seven alert indicators. This is how they arrive at what

level we are in. Under Orange (Level 2) we met 2 or 3 of those indicators. As of July 9, 2020 we went from 53 yellow counties to 41. The schools will have to work around this alert system to decide how they will have class. The last thing that we want is for our county to go purple.

Mrs. Ramos had the following question:

Of these seven indicators, I believe the Governor came up with these, probably with the help of Dr. Acton who is now the Chief Medical Advisor. So out of these seven they're developing three more. They're probably going to develop more. I would imagine they'll keep adding to the requirement as we have seen. That's been the practice since March. My question, out of the seven or ten they are not giving the counties any more leeway. They're keeping the number small as far as what you can be at. For example for Orange you can have two or three indicators triggered, so as they add more criteria, are they going to say three to four triggered?

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

In the conference calls I've sat in on if they go to ten indicators the color level will expand depending on how many indicators you have. You can still stay on Orange at three or four.

Mrs. Ramos had the following question:

Who is guiding this?

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

According to Governor DeWine and the conferences we've sat in on it's a work group. He doesn't say exactly who sits in on it. He didn't mention Dr. Acton although I'm sure she's advising part of this, but there is a work group assigned to this. I don't know who the members are.

Mrs. Ramos had the following reply:

My concern is this, I'm very much for personal responsibility. Even though it's in the health orders there's fines of \$750.00 and up to 6 months in jail. I am totally against all that, and the other thing, who's going to enforce that? It just seems a little arbitrary to me, and also the counties are floating in and out, back and forth. It's hard on the schools, the businesses, the individuals, etc. so it doesn't seem like a good system to me.

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

It's also hard on the hospitals. Our point is to not overtax the hospital system.

Mrs. Ramos had the following reply:

That's been done. The curves been flattened already. If you look at the statistics that's been done already.

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

It has but it's also on an uptick. We don't know where it stops.

Mr. Lanzer had the following reply:

From a different perspective I appreciate the masks and I think that's a very small gesture. You're doing it for other people you're not doing it for yourself. It's no different than if you don't wear a seatbelt. You're going to get a fine for that.

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

If people don't have something that bites them they'll say "they're not going to do anything to me".

Mrs. Ramos had the following reply:

The biggest thing is the social distancing, wash your hands, stay home when you're sick. Those are the biggest weapons. They've also had on the CDC website and the Ohio Department of Health Website that cloth masks don't protect you either way, but they did remove it from the Ohio Department of Health website. We don't know. It's really just a big question mark.

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

Well if we're blocking our droplets. If a person is potentially infectious they could not have symptoms. We have patients who test positive and have no symptoms, so blocking the droplets is a benefit.

Mrs. Ramos had the following comment:

But if you're social distancing...

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

We're not seeing that. We're seeing people getting together. The person who's on a ventilator was at a wedding shower. There's 16 family members infected from that one event.

Mrs. Ramos had the following reply:

What comorbidities are you seeing?

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

We're seeing lots of comorbidities but we also see healthy people that are sick and in the hospital. I think it's going to come down someday when hopefully we'll know that it will be a genetic issue, that their body over responded to this virus and sent too much fluid to the lungs. We don't know all these answers yet. We're learning as we go. Nobody's ever lived through anything like this so we hope to have answers. The State Health Department did reach out to my office and did a survey and asked if we will be able to handle influenza and Covid vaccines this fall. If we get a vaccine this fall it's lightning fast. We responded that we'll get it done.

Mr. Ricklic had the following comment:

Wearing a mask is an act of kindness, and I think we need some acts of kindness during these times.

Mr. Zucal had the following questions:

We're at Level 2 right now, so that means that we've obtained two to three of the seven indicators. Are we at two or three of those and which ones?

Right now I know that we're at indicator two and three for sure. We're having sustained cases countywide.

Mr. Zucal had the following question:

If groups are having public events are they required to submit a plan to the Health Department in order to hold that event?

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

They're supposed to.

Mr. Zucal had the following question:

You don't approve the plan you give guidance, correct?

Mrs. Ionno had the following reply:

We have two organizations that are trying to have a social distance fundraiser this year. They submitted their plans and we gave guidance.

Mr. Fete had the following reply:

I find the congregate gathering rule very confusing. On one hand there's the 10 or less rule, on the other hand you can't have that at schools, and you can have 300 at a wedding. I wish we had clearer guidelines.

Mrs. Ionno had the following comment:

We're trying to reopen the economy and live with this virus at the same time and save lives.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. RON MCABIER

Mr. McAbier had the following report:

At the last Council Meeting we talked about the Wabash Avenue Project. We need to reseed again after the recent rain, and topsoil. They won't reseed until the fall. The T Hangar taxi lane bids were received last Wednesday. We're waiting on a Board of Control meeting to award that. The CDBG Project, Poplar Avenue and also on North Avenue and 2nd Street, next Wednesday we'll have our first preconstruction meeting so hopefully by the next Council Meeting I will be able to lay out a complete schedule for that.

Mr. Ricklic had the following question:

The work being done at the new cemetery, is there an issue with the contractor or is there a material issue?

Mr. McAbier had the following reply:

No, remember at the last meeting we talked about the company's bid coming in at too high of a price? We had a Cemetery Board meeting and we're going to have an attached building now so they're not going to put siding on. We're waiting on an updated drawing so we can have the same plumbing but give a waste line into that so it will be connected now.

Mr. Fete had the following comment:

Mr. McAbier I just want to commend you for the work you did on Wabash Avenue. I can't believe how fast that was and I didn't realize how much I used that road until it was closed.

AUDITORMS. BETH GUNDY..... EXCUSED ABSENSE

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM

Mr. Popham had the following report:

Right after our last meeting we had the incident in the New Phila City Jail where one of the prisoners tested positive for Coronavirus. We had basically nine officers that were on a modified quarantine. As of last Monday all of those officers are off of the quarantine. In the Fire Department, the last meeting I brought up that the Fire Department had received a grant from Muskingum Watershed for a trailer for a rescue boat. Since then the Marsh Foundation has donated \$5,000 to the pulse point program. We also received a grant from the Ohio Division of EMS in the amount of \$2,846.00.

Chief Parrish had the following comment:

We're working on the Pulse Point Program, it involves using technology to increase the out of hospital survival rates for people with cardiac issues. We're about half way to the funding we need to do that. It's an interface between dispatch and cellphones. If someone is in a public place and calls 911 it sends out a page to phones. It's approximately \$10,000 for this program.

TREASURER MR. TOM GERBER.....NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR MR. MARVIN FETE.....NO REPORT

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR JOEL DAY
There will be no Planning Commission Meeting this month.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. RON MCABIER
The Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 in Council Chambers at 5:00 PM with three variance requests to be heard.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JOHN ZUCAL
The Airport Commission will meet tomorrow evening at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers. I do have some great news. I shared with you a while back that we had a benefactor that was interested in creating a mural very similar to the Zeisberger mural that you see on Broadway in downtown New Phila. We an individual who is willing to have one of those done of John Glenn. It is going to be at Harry Clever Field. When I saw it today I was extremely excited.

Mrs. Ramos had the following question:
Is the mural going to be on the airport building?

Mr. Zucal had the following reply:
It's actually going to be mounted on an apparatus that allows it to stand up straight against the fence at that airport.

PARK BOARD.....MRS. AIMEE MAY.....NO REPORT

CEMETERY BOARD.....MRS. AIMEE MAY.....NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD MR. KELLY RICKLIC
The Health Board met July 8 at 12:00 PM in Council Chambers.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEEMR. ROB MAURER.....EXCUSED ABSENCE

SALARY COMMITTEEMR. JOHN ZUCAL

Mr. Zucal had the following report:

The Salary Committee met at 7:00 o'clock this evening in Council Chambers. We had two items on our business agenda. The first was to look at the granting applications from ODOT and the FAA. It's our intent to move forward with both of those. Hopefully we'll be able to gain the PAPI lights that we had all lined up but lost because of Covid. We also discussed the taxi lane improvement project.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND

Mr. Holland had the following report:

Concerning the Council Video System two quotes were received from local vendors. The quotes were \$16,368.50 and \$7,916.00. The equipment being quoted was basically the same, the significant difference was in labor cost. The purchase order will be issued to Hitchcock Sound Company, the low bidder. In discussions with Auditor Gundy funding will be coming from CDC COVID-19 Crisis Response Funds and Service Director McAbier has submitted the request for a Purchase Order. System installation will be delayed due to the national demand for camera systems. With many people working from home, churches live streaming and businesses changing their day-to-day operations to video systems has created this demand. We are most probably 30 to 45 days away from system installation and startup.

President Kemp had the following question:

Would tablets for City Council qualify for Covid funds?

SAFETY HEALTH & SERVICE COMMITTEE...MR. KELLY RICKLIC

Mr. Ricklic had the following report:

Auditor Beth Gundy sent emails out to us stating that she has received \$519, 088.82 from the Covid fund. She applied for \$524,000. That’s good news for us that we can have those funds to help to battle Covid-19.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.....MRS. CHERYL RAMOS.....NO REPORT

SPECIAL & CONTACT COMMITTEEMR DAN LANZER

Mr. Lanzer had the following report:

The Special and Contact Committee will be meeting July 27th at 7:15 PM.

VISITOR’S COMMENTS: NONE

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

I shared with Members of Council and Administration this evening some of the photos of Glen Drive. We had a deluge of rain the other day in the Northwestern section of town. Glen Drive has been a mess for a long time. A lot of the neighbors have flooding. There’s continued development in that area and with that there’s a continued problem with storm water. I was there the other evening and there was still asphalt in some of the drains which is no one’s fault.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES:

10-2020 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO, AMENDING AND ADJUSTING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR THE YEAR 2020.
2nd Reading

MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON ORDINANCE 10-2020
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON ORDINANCE 10-2020

MR. LANZER MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 10-2020
MRS. MAY SECONDED THE MOTION
5 YEAS 2 NAYS
ORDINANCE 10-2020 HAS BEEN APPROVED

RESOLUTIONS:

18-2020 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO ACT AS THE SIGNATURE DESIGNEE AND TO SUBMIT THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS ODOT) FOR THE SPECIFIED PURPOSE TO REHABILITATE T-HANGAR TAXILANE A, THE DETAILS OF WHICH ARE MARKED COLLECTIVELY AS APPENDIX A, WHICH IS INCORPORATED HEREIN AS IF FULLY REWRITTEN, AND AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE GRANT FROM ODOT IN THE EVENT THE SAME IS AWARDED TO THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO.
1st Reading

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES ON RESOLUTION 18-2020
MR. ZUCAL SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RULES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED ON RESOLUTION 18-2020

MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 18-2020
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
RESOLUTION 18-2020 HAS BEEN APPROVED

Mr. Fete asked for an executive session on personnel matters to piggyback on tonight's Executive session.

MR. LANZER MOTIONED TO APPROVE MR. FETE'S EXECUTIVE SESSION
MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION
6 YEAS
MR. FETE'S REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS APPROVED

**COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO A 5 MINUTE RECESS AT 8:36, RECONVENED AT 8:42 BEFORE ADJOURNING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:42.
AT 9:15 PM COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL**

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

Mr. Zucal motioned to adjourn at 9:15 pm

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____
Julie Courtright

APPROVED _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____
Don Kemp