

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON APRIL 9, 2018 WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL SAM HITCHCOCK PRESIDING. COUNCILMAN HOLLAND OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

*\*President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock welcomed everyone, and said he wished Mr. Maurer were in attendance so he could personally thank him for filling in as Council President at the March 26, 2018 Council Meeting, due to President Hitchcock's unplanned absence.*

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

MR. DEAN HOLLAND  
MR. DAN LANZER  
MRS. AIMEE MAY  
MR. KELLY RICKLIC  
MR. JOHN ZUCAL

EXCUSED ABSENSE

COUNCILMAN ROB MAURER  
COUNCILWOMAN CHERYL RAMOS

- MRS. ZUCAL MOTIONED THAT RESOLUTION 11-2018, RESOLUTION 13-2018, AND RESOLUTION 14-2018 BE ADDED TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA  
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION  
5 YEAS  
RESOLUTION 11-2018, 13-2018, AND 14-2018 HAVE BEEN ADDED TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA FOR 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
  
- MR. LANZER MOTIONED TO ACCEPT TONIGHT'S AGENDA  
MR. HOLLAND SECONDED THE MOTION  
5 YEAS  
TONIGHT'S AGENDA HAS BEEN ACCEPTED
  
- MRS. MAY MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 26, 2018 REGULAR SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL  
MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION  
4 YEAS, 1 ABSTAINED  
MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 26, 2018 REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL HAVE BEEN APPROVED

**CORRESPONDENCE** . . . . . CLERK, JULIE COURTRIGHT

1. *To President of Council Sam Hitchcock from Mayor Joel Day, dated March 27, 2018. This is an email titled Natureworks that states the following: "Sam, would you please assign the attached Resolution to the proper Council Committee? See Erin's comments below." This was replied to by President of Council Hitchcock who sent the email to Councilwoman May, Councilman Maurer, Councilman Lanzer and Councilman Ricklic. It states the following: "To Councilwoman May from President Hitchcock, dated March 27, 2018." This forwarded email states "Aimee, will you take the attached Resolution into your Committee for consideration?"*
2. *To New Philadelphia City Council from Mayor Joel Day, dated March 28, 2018. This is an email titled "GT Environmental Study of the City's Solid Waste Collection Operations". This email was replied to by President Hitchcock.*
3. *To Clerk of Council from Treasurer Tom Gerber, dated March 31, 2018. This is the City of New Philadelphia March 2018 Deposit.*
4. *To Council and Administration dated April 1, 2018. This is The Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council.*
5. *To Council and Administration, copied to Fire Chief Parrish, from Mayor Day, dated April 2, 2018. This is an email titled "analysis for the SAFER Grant". This was replied to by Councilwoman Ramos.*
6. *To Council and Administration and Fire Chief Parrish from Councilman John Zucal, dated April 2, 2018. This is an email titled "SAFER Grant" and this was replied to by Councilwoman Ramos.*
7. *To Council and Administration from Income Tax Administrator for the City Vicki Daniels, dated April 3, 2018. This is a March 2018 Report "Month End Tax Revenue by year.*
8. *To Councilmembers Holland, Zucal, Ramos, Ricklic, copied to remaining Councilmembers and Administration, dated April 5, 2018, from President of Council Sam Hitchcock. This is an email titled "Waiver Request for New EZ*

- Agreement” that states the following: Dean, please take the forwarded request from Mayor Day into your Committee.*
9. *To Councilmembers from Mayor Day, dated April 5, 2018. This is a forwarded email from Rebecca Hall at Hall Community Development LLC with the subject Re: PY 18 CHIP Program New Philadelphia and Uhrichsville.*
  10. *To Councilmembers Holland, Zucal, Ramos, Ricklic, copied to Councilmembers Maurer, Lanzer, May, and Law Director Fete, Mayor Day, and Service Director McAbier. This is an email from President Hitchcock titled “Loan Proposal for Harry Clever Field Airport Hangar” that states “Dean, please take the following request from the Law Director into your Committee for consideration. This was replied to by Councilman Zucal.*
  11. *To Council and Administration from Auditor Gundy, dated April 6, 2018. This is an email with the subject “March 2018” and the attachment “Auditor’s Financial Statement for March 2018”.*
  12. *To Members of City Council from Mayor Day dated April 7, 2018. This is an email titled “CRA for Motel Development”. This email was replied to by President of Council Hitchcock and Councilman Holland.*
  13. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated April 9, 2018. This is an email titled “Revised Airport Hangar Construction Loan Request from First Federal”. This was replied to by President of Council Hitchcock and Councilwoman Ramos.*
  14. *To Council, Brian Mertes, and HR Director for the City Mary Kurtz, dated April 8, 2018. This is an email titled “Your Input on Contract Negotiations” and this was from Mayor Day.*
  15. *To Council and Administration from Mayor Day, dated April 9, 2018. This is the Mayor’s Report.*
  16. *To Councilmembers from President of Council Sam Hitchcock, dated April 9, 2018. This is a forwarded email from Auditor Gundy titled “Committee Assignment” and states the following: “Rob, please take the attached request from the Auditor into your Committee for consideration.”*

## **Administrative Reports.....**

### MAYOR’S REPORT/REQUESTS ...MAYOR JOEL B. DAY

Mayor Day had the following report:

- **Gemini Industrial Machine Group to Relocate into the Tuscarawas Regional Technology Park:** Gemini Industrial Machine Group, presently located on Crown Road in Dover Township, intends to move its manufacturing operation into the Tuscarawas Regional Technology Park here in New Philadelphia. Resolution 11-2018, which is currently under consideration by City Council, would allow me to enter into an Ohio Enterprise Zone agreement with Gemini for purposes of its relocation. The company plans to build a 20,000 square foot building at the top of the tech park hill. It would allow for expansion of its assembly line automation business and add eight employees to its current workforce of 20 computer technologists, fabricators and electrical engineers. The building’s construction is scheduled to get underway in June. The enterprise zone agreement would give the company 75 percent real property tax abatement for 10 years, which will help secure the company’s growth and stability. Gemini is the first business to obtain tech park property from the County Community Improvement Corporation. It was a collaboration between the City, the County and the CIC that made this possible. And it is my hope that Gemini’s success will serve as a catalyst for other technology-based businesses to move into the tech park.
- **The County Opiate Task Force Develops its Strategic Plan for 2018:** This past Friday I had the opportunity to attend the County Opiate Task Force’s strategic planning meeting at the City Fire Station’s meeting room. 2018 will be another year of challenges for the task force, but overall its efforts are making a positive impact on the county’s opiate addiction epidemic. The Quick Response Team that was organized last October has been effective in steering addicts into recovery programs. New Philadelphia and Uhrichsville continue to be the communities where the most drug overdoses are occurring. This year the task force plans to focus on using social media to make the community more aware of the services available to help families and individuals stricken by opiate addiction and addiction to other drugs. It will also put more effort into addressing the mental health component of overdosing and addiction.
- **Talking Railroad with the Ohio Rail Development Commission:** This coming Thursday Service Director McAbier, Building and Zoning Code Administrator Scolati and myself will travel to Cambridge to hear the Ohio Rail Development Commission’s statewide railroad plan. The discussion is being hosted by the Ohio Mid-Eastern Governments Association. I would like to see more utilization of the railroad line that runs through the southern end of New Philadelphia, not

only for freight purposes but also for excursion trains for tourism purposes. To me, our rail line is a key economic development asset. To meet the growing transportation demands from the natural gas and oil business development, I feel it would be more economical and practical to restore abandoned railroad lines in Eastern Ohio than to build four lane highways. Restoring the rail lines from New Philadelphia to Dennison would connect the northern communities of the county with the southern, and give us direct access to the rail corridor that runs between Columbus and Pittsburgh. Plus, with the abundance of natural gas we have in Eastern Ohio, technology could be developed (if it hasn't already) that allows train engines to be powered by natural gas.

➤ Tennis Court Dedication Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>. As part of the Gundy Day activities on Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> at Tuscora Park, a ceremony will be held at 10am to dedicate the new tennis courts. The donors who helped fund the project have been invited. Their names will appear on a sign that will be unveiled during the ceremony. Gundy Days will start with the Quaker Club's annual pancake breakfast at the park pavilion and continue with track and field events, softball and baseball games and a boys' varsity tennis match.

➤ Dr. Lori Kuehne will join the New Philadelphia Board of Health: I was pleased to learn today that Dr. Lori Kuehne has accepted an appointment to the New Philadelphia Board of Health. Dr. Kuehne will fill the unexpired term of Ellen Wallace, who will be moving from the area. I want to thank Ellen for her years of service to the board. Under her guidance, the New Philadelphia Health Department has grown to serve clients countywide and has strengthened its role as a key provider of health care services to our community. I welcome Dr. Kuehne. She is a well-respected physician who will bring valuable expertise to our Board of Health.

SERVICE DIRECTOR .....MR. RON MCABIER

Mr. McAbier had the following report:

On March 26, 2018 we opened the bids for the CDBG project. We'll have a board meeting on Wednesday to award that to the lowest and best bidder. I want to go over what that was again. I know I went over it before. We will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Northwest from Cedar Lane to Minnich putting in new sidewalks from Cedar Lane to Minnich and a sidewalk on North Avenue on the Southside with curb also being on the south side of North Avenue and from Cedar to North. That will start again like we usually do right after school gets out in June and be done by the middle of July, I know we give them all the way until August. So that project we are moving forward on. Also, Mr. President, I would ask that you put a commendation for Doug Hixson into the proper Committee for his 30 years of service. He retired last month.

*\*President of New Philadelphia City Council Sam Hitchcock asked Mr. Zucal to put the Service Director's request into his Committee.*

AUDITOR .....MS. BETH GUNDY.....NO REPORT

SAFETY DIRECTOR .....MR. GREG POPHAM

Mr. Popham had the following report:

Just an update in the police department. Over a week ago there was a police cruiser that was hit intentionally and it was severely damaged. This afternoon I was talking to the police chief and we believe that vehicle is going to be totaled. So now it's a matter of working with the insurance companies and seeing where we go from there. The year of that vehicle is a 2016.

Mr. Zucal had the following question:

Did the perpetrator of that event have insurance?

Mr. Popham had the following response:

Yes, and he's currently in jail still on bond.

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

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MARVIN FETE

Mr. Fete had the following report:

I would like to request an Executive Session to discuss threatened or pending litigation.

MR. ZUCAL MOTIONED FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE LAW DIRECTOR’S REQUEST

MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION

5 YEAS

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WILL BE HELD DURING TONIGHT’S COUNCIL MEETING FOLLOWING THE READING OF LEGISLATION AND A 5 MINUTE RECESS

**BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:**

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR JOEL DAY

The Planning Commission meeting for this month has been cancelled due to a lack of an Agenda. We will plan to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of May at 1:00pm here in Council Chambers.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. RON MCABIER

The Board of Zoning Appeals will meet tomorrow at 5:00pm here in Council Chambers. We will hear two variance requests at that time.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JOHN ZUCAL

The Airport Commission will meet tomorrow evening, Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:00pm at the Harry Clever Field Meeting Room. I’m sure extensive conversation and discussion will take place regarding financing the potential 12 bay hangar as well as potential lease term agreements and rental rates.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DEAN HOLLAND

The next Park Board Meeting will be on April 18, 2018 at the Park Place Teen Center at Tuscora Park.

HEALTH BOARD..... MR. KELLY RICKLIC

The next Health Board Meeting is Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 12:00 noon in the Health Department.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

FINANCE COMMITTEE .....MR. ROB MAURER.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

SALARY COMMITTEE .....MR. JOHN ZUCAL.....NO REPORT

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

Mr. Holland had the following report:

The Public Works and Economic Development Committee met this evening here in Council Chambers at 6:30pm to discuss Resolution 11-2018 which creates an Ohio Enterprise Zone Agreement with Gemini Industrial Machine Group, Gemini Realty Holdings LLC who wants to relocate their business operations to the Tuscarawas Regional Technology Park in New Philadelphia. After discussion and a presentation by Jason Johnson, President of Gemini Industrial Machine Group, and questions answered by Scott Reynolds, Manager of the Tuscarawas County Enterprise Zone, Resolution 11-2018 was approved to be placed on tonight’s Agenda for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading. Additionally the Committee discussed a Loan Proposal from First Federal Community Bank concerning a \$500,000.00 loan to construct a new 12 bay aircraft hangar at Harry Clever Field. After Committee discussion and comments from Mayor Day it was approved to place Resolution 14-2018 on tonight’s Agenda for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading. There was no further business to come before the Committee and the Meeting adjourned at 7:02.

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

Mr. Ricklic had the following report:

We had a Safety, Health, and Service Committee Meeting on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 to discuss support of the application for the SAFER Grant. The other part of the meeting was to discuss water and sewer for A1 Developers LLC. There was a lot of different information on the application compared to what the Service Director reported they were really wanting, so we were not sure what they were really asking without a true engineering drawing and specs. So with his recommendation I’d like to make a roll call for the application. His recommendation was to deny the application.

MR. RICKLIC MOTIONED TO DENY THE APPLICATION  
5 YEAS  
THE APPLICATION FOR WATER AND SEWER HAS BEEN DENIED

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE .....MRS. CHERYL RAMOS.....EXCUSED ABSENSE

SPECIAL & CONTACT COMMITTEE .....MR DAN LANZER

Mr. Lanzer had the following report:

We will be scheduling a meeting on Council Procedures in the near future. I was waiting for the health of our Council President so he could be present for that.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE .....MRS. AIMEE MAY.....NO REPORT

**VISITOR’S COMMENTS: NONE**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Mr. Ricklic had the following comment:

I’d like to comment that having Dr. Kuehne appointed to the Health Board will make a great person to be on their with us. I’m glad to hear that and I know she’s now going to be heading up the Hospice facility so I think it’s going to be great to have her on to have her input and to better our capability at the Health Department.

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

I’d just like to shed some awareness and some light that April is Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month across the State of Ohio. Again, just to advocate for at many times the most vulnerable in our community, the young people. Our goal always is that every home is free from that type of abuse. If you’re so inclined to support causes like that this Wednesday, April the 11<sup>th</sup> if you wear blue it’s a sign of support for those young people in our community that every home should be free from abuse and neglect. It would be greatly appreciated.

**READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ORDINANCES:**

4-2018 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO MODIFY SECTION 509.03 “DISORDERLY CONDUCT; INTOXICATION”, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TO INCLUDE A MANDATORY \$50.00 FEE ISSUED ON ALL SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER THE SECTION.  
2nd Reading

5-2018 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO MODIFY CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO INCLUDE CHAPTER 1339 WIND ENERGY FACILITIES.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

**RESOLUTIONS:**

- 8-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE ANNEXATION OF CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE LOCATED IN GOSHEN TOWNSHIP.  
2nd Reading
- 9-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF OBTAINING ADDITIONAL REAL ESTATE FOR THE EXISTING EAST HIGH AVE. CEMETERY.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
- 11-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO ENTER INTO AN OHIO ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT WITH GEMINI INDUSTRIAL MACHINE GROUP, LLC/ GEMINI REALTY HOLDINGS, LLC FOR PURPOSES OF RELOCATING THEIR BUSINESS OPERATIONS FROM DOVER TOWNSHIP TO THE TUSCARAWAS REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY PARK IN NEW PHILADELPHIA.  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading
- 13-2018 A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SAFER GRANT APPLICATION WHICH IS BEING SUBMITTED TO ADDRESS AN IMPORTANT PUBLIC PROTECTION AND ECONOMIC ISSUE IN THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, AND WHICH WILL PERMIT THE HIRING OF ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTERS AND HELP REDUCE TAXPAYER BURDEN BY ASSISTING IN REDUCING OVERTIME COSTS FOR MINIMUM STAFFING OF THE NEW PHILADELPHIA FIRE STATION.  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading
- 14-2018 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA TO ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT WITH FIRST FEDERAL COMMUNITY BANK FOR THE PURPOSES OF OBTAINING FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL AIRPORT HANGARS AT THE NEW PHILADELPHIA HARRY CLEVER FIELD AIRPORT.  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading

**COUNCIL TOOK A 5 MINUTE RECESS AT 7:53 BEFORE GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:58**

**AT 8:10 PM COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL.**

**UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

Mr. Zucal motioned to adjourn at 8:10 pm

CLERK OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Courtright

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_  
Sam R. Hitchcock