

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MAY 8, 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 APRIL 24, 2000 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE.CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. The Auditor's Financial Statement for April, 2000.
2. Finance Committee meeting minutes of April 24, 2000.
3. The 1999 Annual Report from Union Hospital.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT.MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from April 24 through May 8, 2000. Reported that the final draft of the AFSCME contract has been received, and is before Council for consideration tonight. Reported meeting with Service Director Gary Espenschied, Park Superintendent Rod Miller, Special Assistant Tom Farbizo, and Assistant Park Superintendent Kelly Herron at the Southside park area to discuss plans for the use of the land. The Park Board & Special Assistant Tom Farbizo will look for state grants to help fund additional ballfields. Relinquished the floor to Special Assistant Tom Farbizo, who reported meeting April 24 with David Bitters of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. A signed agreement has been received for the \$50,000 state grant for work at the park. Reported that he has applied for a \$139,000 ODOT aviation grant for safety features at the airport. Reported that an open house and fly-in will be held at the airport, with a tentative date of mid-June. Reported that he has been working with Marsh Industries on their enterprise zone agreement. Mayor Brodzinski requested passage tonight of Ordinances 36-2000 and 37-2000 and Resolutions 9-2000, 10-2000, and 11-2000. Requested an Executive Session tonight to discuss land acquisition. Ms. Cox made a motion, seconded by Mr. Houston, to go into Executive Session immediately following reading of legislation to discuss land acquisition. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that Phase 2 of the CDBG at Front St. Will begin in mid-June. Set a public meeting for May 22 at 6:30 p.m. For the project. Reported that new water lines and storm sewer lines were installed in the parking lot adjacent to the locker rooms at the park, in preparation of the paving project to begin soon. Mr. Taylor asked when the grass in the median strip on 4th St. N.W. Will be cut. Mr. Espenschied said the grass cannot be cut at this time because there are rocks there. ODOT will be finishing the 4th St. Project in mid-May, and he has suggested that the median strip be done as soon as possible.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.MR. GREG POPHAM

Reported that the police auction netted \$5, 539.30. Reported that the police and fire test is scheduled for May 16 at 7:00 p.m. At Tuscora Park, and the captain's test for the police department set for June 19 at 9:00 a.m. for the first part, and June 26 at 9:00 a.m. for the second part. Congratulated the fire department for their nomination and award for the Call of the Year Award for District 7, which consists of 9 counties. Mayor Brodzinski said the award was granted on behalf of a life saving mission. Members of the department will be recognized at a dinner and ceremony on May 25 in Columbus.

AUDITOR.MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested emergency passage of Resolutions 9-2000 and 10-2000.

TREASURER.MR. BOB GERBER

Reported that he has been meeting with Auditor Beth Gundy to determine what will be done with stocks that were donated to the City through the life insurance program. He said they would probably be sold, but that will be determined between him and the auditor.

LAW DIRECTOR.MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Reported that the City Prosecutor's Office is requesting more money to be appropriated to run an additional court room when the remodeling project in the downstairs of the municipal building is complete. Mr. Johnson said he is attempting to get more financial support from the County Commissioners for the cost of prosecutors.

CITY ENGINEER, W. E. QUICKSALL & ASSOC.

Mr. Roy Crawford reported that Phase II of the CDBG project on Front St. Is moving forward. The second public hearing for the 2001 CDBG will be held June 12, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. Council needs to decide what project is to be funded next year with the grant money. Concerning the 18th St. Bridge project, Mr. Crawford reported that the curbs have been poured, and most sidewalks are done. Within the next week, paving of the new base will be complete. Mr. Bob Gerber asked if West High Ave. From the railroad tracks to five points intersection would qualify for the CDBG. Mr. Quicksall said the grant must be used in areas of low to moderate income, and he would have to check to see if there has been an income survey of that area. Mr. Crawford said, at one time, it was the city's desire to widen West High Ave. Mr. Cicconetti said West High Ave. Needs to be widened some time, and it would be foolish to install new curbs and sidewalks only to have them removed if the street is widened.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI

Will meet Wednesday, May 10, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. At the park.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported meeting May 2, with 4 variances being granted, and 2 issues tabled.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.MR. JIM LOCKER.NO REPORT

PARK BOARD.MR. ART CICONETTI

Reported meeting May 1 in a special meeting to discuss wall repair and new sidewalks within the park. Will meet in regular session on Wednesday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m.

HEALTH BOARD.MS. SANDRA COX

Will meet Wednesday, May 17 at noon.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE.MS. SANDRA COX.NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson co- assigned the request for additional appropriations for the prosecutor's office to the Finance Committee and Salary Committee.

SALARY COMMITTEE.MR. JIM LOCKER.NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned Ordinance 37-2000 for review.

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

Reported meeting tonight to discuss a proposed housing code. Information from other cities will be acquired before any decisions will be made.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. MR. JOEL DAY.NO REPORT

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE.MR. GEORGE HOUSTON.NO REPORT

Recommended passage tonight of Ordinance 28-2000.

CONTACT COMMITTEE. MR. ART CICCONE.NO REPORT

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.MR. TOM LOCKER.NO REPORT

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Ella Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., New Philadelphia, asked for a copy of the street paving list for this year. She complained that yard sale signs are posted on poles throughout the city and they are unsightly. She asked if any grant money could be used for an additional entrance/exit to Shel-Mar. She complained about the number of billboards and the high grass at West High Ave. And Bluebell, and also the number of billboards at Bank Lane, S.W. She said the junk against the fencing along Delaware Dr. Behind the airport needs to be cleaned up. She asked if potholes on 3rd St. Could be fixed, and said more and more signs are being put up at the corner of Beaver Ave., 4th St. N.E., and East High Ave.

Kenneth Swinderman, 1111 11th Dr., New Philadelphia, agreed that the fence behind the airport is unsightly and needs to be cleaned up. Service Director Gary Espenschied said that remaining grant money is being used to clean up the area along the fencing.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

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. (3Rd Reading)

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

29-2000 An ordinance to authorize the clothing allowance at \$200.00 per year for auxiliary New Philadelphia police officers, and declaring an emergency. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Ms. Cox. Ms. Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., asked how many auxiliary police officers the city has. Mr. Popham said approximately 12 to 15. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

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 St. Bridge, and declaring an emergency. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Tom Locker. Ms. Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., asked what is the dollar amount of this ordinance. Auditor Beth Gundy said \$480,000.00. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

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. (3Rd Reading)

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Day. Ms. Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., asked how much money is in this fund. Auditor Beth Gundy said currently \$171,000.00. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

34-2000 An ordinance establishing fees for ambulance services and to modify Ordinance No. 6-99 and declaring an emergency. (2Nd Reading)

Amended Ordinance 36-2000 An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of New Philadel-

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

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

37-2000 An ordinance to authorize funeral leave for non-bargaining unit employees of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (1St Reading)

RESOLUTIONS:

9-2000 A resolution declaring the necessity to request an advance of \$250,000.00 from the County Auditor on the June, 2000 Estate Tax Settlement, and declaring an emergency. (2Nd Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Tom Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

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

10-2000 A resolution declaring the necessity to request an advance of \$750,000.00 from the County Auditor on the June, 2000 Real Estate Tax Settlement, and declaring an emergency. (2Nd Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Cicconetti, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Tom Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

11-2000 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, authorizing the Mayor of the City of New Philadelphia to apply to O.D.O.T. Office of Aviation for grant funds in order to widen and overlay the taxiway and repair the Vasi's, Reil's, and radio control at the airport and R.D. Zande & Associates, Inc. Is authorized to prepare a state application for Ohio airport improvement grant program funds, and the Service Director be authorized to sign these documents and forward them to the O.D.O.T. Office of Aviation, and declaring an emergency. (1St Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Jim Locker, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Jim Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:20 P.M. TO DISCUSS LAND ACQUISITION. COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:45 P.M.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:45 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED MAY 22, 2000

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____