

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JUNE 24, 2002 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 CICCONETTI
MS. SANDRA COX
MR. JOEL DAY
MR. SAM HITCHCOCK
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON
MR. JIM LOCKER
MR. ROB MAURER

THE MINUTES OF June 24, 2002 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. A letter dated June 11, 2002 from Adelphia Cable notifying council that effective in the August billing statements, monthly service rates for certain services will be increased.
2. Safety, Health, and Service Committee meeting minutes of June 11, 2002.
3. Board of Zoning Appeals minutes of June 4, 2002.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR’S REPORT MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI ABSENT

In the absence of Mayor Brodzinski, Service Director Gary Espenschied requested emergency passage tonight of Ordinances 48-2002, 53-2002, 54-2002, and Resolution 23-2002.

SERVICE DIRECTORMR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Requested that Ordinance 27-2002 be removed from the table and assigned to proper committee. Reported that painting of the water tank at the city reservoir is complete. Reported that bids have been received and are being reviewed for improvements at the airport. Reported meeting with Dave Zeller of MKC for design plans of the former Elk’s building for city offices. Relinquished the floor to Building Inspector Bill Richesson who reported that a Housing Board of Appeals meeting will be held July 2 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. He reported that he has been busy sending letters to property owners for cutting of high grass, and he is working on a property on the west end of the city to have it cleaned up.

SAFETY DIRECTORMR. GREG POPHAM NO REPORT

AUDITOR MS. BETH GUNDY

Requested that the transfers made in her office be approved, and that Ordinance 49-2002 be passed on an emergency and Resolution 19-2002 be amended. Relinquished the floor to a representative of the State Auditor’s Office, who presented an Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Ms. Gundy thanked her staff, Service Director Gary Espenschied’s office, County Auditor Matt Judy, and everyone who helped her to obtain this award. Ms. Cox made a motion to approve the Auditor’s transfers. Motion was seconded by Mr. Day. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

TREASURER MS. TERRI DEARDORFF NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTORMR. MIKE JOHNSONABSENT NO REPORT

MAIN STREET REPRESENTATIVE MS. PAULINE WYRIE

Reported that the lunch -time entertainment series is doing well. Requested that Council begin planning of the City's Bicentennial Celebration. Mr. Johnson assigned Mr. Cicconetti to a committee to begin plans.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION NO REPORT

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Will meet July 2, 2002 at 5:00 p.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room.

AIRPORT COMMISSION MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting June 11. Reported that the restaurant is being remodeled and will open soon.

PARK BOARD MR. ART CICCONE NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD. MS. SANDRA COX NO REPORT

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. MS. SANDRA COX

Reported meeting tonight to discuss the Auditor's transfers, which were approved. Ordinance 49-2002 was reviewed, and approval recommended. Amended Resolution 19-2002 was reviewed by the Committee, and County Auditor Matt Judy was in attendance, and he explained the alternate formula distribution. The Committee voted to approve the amended resolution. Ms. Cox asked that the meeting reconvene immediately following regularly scheduled council meeting, since time expired before all business had been addressed.

SALARY COMMITTEE MR. JIM LOCKER NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned Ordinance 47-2002 for review.

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE MR. SAM HITCHCOCK

Reported meeting June 11, 2002 to hear a presentation on the fire study. A proposal will be submitted to the Finance Committee for funding options. Reported meeting tonight to discuss Resolution 21-2002, agreement with ASCAP. Another meeting will be scheduled in the future.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. MR. JOEL DAY

Will meet July 8 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the storm sewers on Union Ave. Mr. Johnson assigned the Adelphia Cable increases to Committee.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE MR. GEORGE HOUSTON

Introduced Kory Halter and her committee from the Community Corrections Office, who explained the purpose of her staff and the work that they have been doing at the park. Mr. Houston scheduled a meeting for Thursday, June 27 at 4:00 p.m. to discuss housing developments on the south side and Union Ave.

CONTACT COMMITTEE.MR. ART CICCONETTI

Requested that approval of a 5 year plan for the solid waste program be assigned and scheduled a meeting for Monday, July 1 at 7:00 p.m. for that purpose.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MR. ROB MAURER NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned run-off problems from new construction.

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

Ella Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., New Philadelphia, said the odor from the wastewater treatment plant has improved. She asked if the new benches have arrived for the downtown. She asked what will be done with the old traffic lights when the new ones are installed, and she said additional trash receptacles are needed at the cemetery. She asked if lights could be added to the large stop signs at 2nd Street and Fair Ave. She suggested laws be drawn up for the Building Inspector so he can do his job properly. Mr. Johnson said if Mr. Richesson needs additional laws, he can contact the Law Director to have legislation prepared. Mr. Espenschied said the traffic lights are the property of the city, and their use is unsure, but they cannot be given away or sold. Mr. Popham will check into the lights at the stop signs.

Pauline Wyrle, 357 Donahey Avenue. N.E., New Philadelphia, said the Community Corrections program also supplies workers for Main Street.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

- 47-2002 An ordinance to authorize additional payment to the Mayor for health insurance cost, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)

- 48-2002 An ordinance to authorize the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, to enter into a contract with Main Street New Philadelphia, Inc. for economic development of the downtown New Philadelphia for the calendar year 2002 and to pay to Main Street New Philadelphia, Inc. the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

- 49-2002 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2002 and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)
 - Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
 - Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

- 50-2002 An ordinance authorizing the City of New Philadelphia Auditor to establish the OPWC Fund #400 to receive revenue from Ohio Public Works Grants (Issue II money) and revenue from Master Capital Funds for the City’s share of the project, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

- 51-2002 An ordinance authorizing the City of New Philadelphia Auditor to directly deposit a portion of the income tax revenue into the OPWC Fund #400 in an amount equal to the City’s share of the project costs and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

- 52-2002 An ordinance to approve, adopt and enact the current replacement pages to the Codified Ordinances, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

- 53-2002 An ordinance to authorize the Service Director to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for Phase 2 of the WWTP Improvements Construction Project at a total cost not to exceed five hundred forty five thousand and no/100 dollars (\$545,000.00) and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Cicconetti. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Cicconetti. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 54-2002 An ordinance to authorize the Service Director to sell the excess 99.9% zinc wire used for the two million gallon water tank sealing project and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Houston. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 55-2002 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to rezone certain land being part of the Marsh Industries property bounded on the north by Martin Street located west of Union Avenue and north of Emmett Avenue being 3.874 acres, from Industrial to Residential zone. (1st Reading)
- Public Hearing to be held August 12, 2002 at 8:00 P.M.

RESOLUTIONS:

- Amended 19-2002 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio accepting the alternate formula for distribution of local government and local government revenue assistance funds as proposed by the Tuscarawas County Budget Commission and as prescribed in Section 5747.53 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
- Ms. Cox made a motion to amend this resolution, seconded by Mr. Hitchcock. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution amended.
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Cicconetti. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.
- 21-2002 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, Ohio authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP) and pay a licensing fee yearly, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- 22-2002 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, Ohio to recognize the Community Corrections Program, Kory Halter Director and Cristal R. Studer, Administrative Assistant for their contributions to Tuscora Park, and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Ms. Cox. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Hitchcock. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.

23-2002 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 file an application for financial assistance under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL93-383) to the Ohio Department of Development, Division of Community Development, Office of Local Government Services, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

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

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

24-2002 An ordinance declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, and declaring an emergency. (1st Reading)

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:31 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____

APPROVED July 8, 2002

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL _____