

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2008 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL JOEL DAY PRESIDING. MR. DAY OFFERED A PRAYER, AND ALL IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: MR. ROBERT CONNER  
MS. SANDY COX  
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER  
MR. JIM LOCKER  
MR. ROB MAURER  
MS. COLLEEN SMITH  
MS. WINNIE WALKER

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO WITHDRAW ORDINANCE 39-2008 FROM TONIGHT'S AGENDA SO THAT CORRECTIONS CAN BE MADE TO THE CONTRACT. MR. CONNER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED. MR. CONNER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE TONIGHT'S AGENDA. MS. SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 25, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING. MS. WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL, 7 YEAS, MOTION PASSED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Airport Commission meeting minutes of August 12, 2008.
2. Ambulance Committee meeting minutes of August 25, 2008.
3. Board of Control meeting minutes of August 20, 2008.
4. Finance Committee meeting minutes of August 25, 2008.
5. Mayor's Monthly Statement to Council for August 2008.
6. Incident Report for the Fire Department between April 7, 2008 and August 26, 2008.
7. Parks & Cemetery Committee meeting minutes of August 25, 2008.
8. New Philadelphia Police Monthly Activity Report for August 2008.
9. The Auditor's Monthly Statement of Revenue for the General Fund for August 2008.
10. The Auditor's Financial Statement for August 2008.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT.....MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that the 2008 paving is completed, and reported on the areas paved that were not on the original list. Reported that an auction will be held September 30 at 5:00 P.M. on a vacant city lot. Reported that bids for the 8<sup>th</sup> St. and 9<sup>th</sup> St. waterline replacement have come in below the engineer's estimate. Reported that the Hummel Ave. and South Broadway storm sewer project also came in lower than the engineer's estimate. Reported meeting with Auditor Beth Gundy and Law Director Mike Johnson to discuss the income tax agreement with Beech Engineering.

Reported that he, along with Assistant Service Director Amy Gilland, will be attending the Ohio Aviation Conference in Columbus this week. Informed Council that New Philadelphia Schools does carry insurance on property at Quaker Stadium. Reported meeting with David Held of the Joint Solid Waste District to address recycling issues.

SERVICE DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. JIM ZUCAL

Reported meeting with the CIC concerning the Hi-Tech Park. Reported that he continues to work with TMS concerning the traffic light project. Repairs to the brown hangar at the airport began today. Reported that filling of potholes and striping continues in the Street Department. Reported that 30 building permits were issued in August.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Reported that the Police Department is in the process of replacing Larry Hootman. Reported that bids will be taken soon for police cruisers.

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

TREASURER . . . . . MR. DAVE JOHNSON

Reported that he and Auditor Beth Gundy have raised the fee for non-sufficient checks to \$35.00.

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Requested an Executive Session to discuss personnel and ongoing litigation. Reported that a new lawsuit has been filed against the City. Ms. Cox made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and ongoing litigation. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call, 7 yeas, motion passed.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR MIKE TAYLOR

Reported that there were no submissions for September, and the next meeting will be held October 14, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS . . . . . MR. JIM ZUCAL

Will meet September 9, 2008 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers. Four (4) variances have been requested.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting August 12, 2008. Codified Ordinance Chapter 155 was discussed. The EAA will sponsor a pancake breakfast August 31, and a car show will be held in the future.

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting August 27, 2008. Reported that the Youth Soccer Assoc. received a grant for \$32,000 to lights at the soccer fields. Reported that RTY has received donations from the Reeves Foundation and the Tuscarawas County Community Foundation for playground equipment. The Park is reviewing Codified Ordinance Chapter 973. Pavilion rental prices were discussed, and tabled until the next meeting. The next meeting is September 24, 2008 at 7:30 P.M.

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDY COX

Will meet September 17, 2008 at noon in the Health Department.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDY COX

Reported that the Ambulance Committee met August 25. Fire Chief Jim Parrish presented a Power Point presentation on ambulance billing, and the Committee voted to recommend Option #2 for 2009. Reported that the Finance Committee also met on August 25 to discuss a five-year tax credit for income taxes for Beech Engineering on Wabash Ave. Also discussed was re-appraisal of all city-owned property. Resolution 28-2008 was also discussed, and all issues were approved by Committee.

SALARY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIM LOCKER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Chapter 155 of the Codified Ordinances to increase the number from 9 to 11 on the Airport Commission. The Committee voted to leave the membership as is. Mr. Locker said he has received two letters concerning wage increases for certain department heads, and asked that it be assigned to his Committee. Mr. Day assigned the issue, and Mr. Locker scheduled a Work Session on September 15 to discuss the requests.

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . MR. ROB MAURER . . . . . NO REPORT

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. . . . . MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Ordinance 42-2008m the 2008 CDBG project. Some changes were requested by the Committee, and emergency passage recommended. Mr. Lautenschleger distributed a memo from Service Director Jim Zucal which provided information concerning ADA compliance for sidewalk extension on West High Avenue, and requested that Committee members review the information for a future meeting.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE . . . . . MS. COLLEEN SMITH

Reported meeting tonight to discuss the downtown design standards. Committee members are asked to review them for future discussion. Signage at Franklin Square was also discussed, with no decisions made.

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. ROBERT CONNER

Reported meeting tonight to discuss a resolution to sell (5) no longer used city-owned vehicles. The Committee approved the matter.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE . . . . . MS. WINNIE WALKER

Reported meeting August 25 to discuss lights at the soccer fields. A grant was received from the Reeves Foundation in the amount of \$32,000. Acceptance of the grant, Resolution 27-2008, is before Council tonight for consideration.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: NONE

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

41-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to establish ambulance rates for the year 2009, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

42-2008 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio directing the Service Director to advertise for bids, receive bids, and enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for storm sewer installation, sidewalk, drive aprons, and curbing in the 200 block of Fair Avenue NW, between 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NW and Third Street NW on the north side, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Lautenschleger, seconded by Mr. Maurer. Roll call, 7 years, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Lautenschleger, seconded by Mr. Locker. Roll call, 7 years, ordinance passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

26-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to accept the Mayor's appointment to the Tuscarawas Metropolitan Housing Authority Board of Directors to fill the unexpired term of George Houston, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

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

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 7 years, resolution passed.

27-2008 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to accept the donation from the New Philadelphia Youth Soccer Association for the installed and light poles and lights at the soccer field in the New Philadelphia South Side Community Park, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Motion to suspend the rules made by Ms. Walker, seconded by Mr. Maurer. Roll call, 7 years, rules suspended.

Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Conner. Roll call, 7 years, resolution passed.

28-2008 A resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:08 P.M. TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AND ONGOING LITIGATION. COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:20 P.M.

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. COX. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:21 P.M.

CLERK OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED September 22, 2008

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_