

NEW PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON OCTOBER 24, 2005 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: MS. SANDRA COX  
MR. BILL ELLWOOD  
MR. SAM HITCHCOCK  
MR. GEORGE HOUSTON  
MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER  
MR. JIM LOCKER  
MR. ROB MAURER

THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2005 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE . . . . . CLERK DIANE ROUDEBUSH

1. Safety, Health, and Service Committee meeting minutes of October 10, 2005.
2. Planning Commission meeting minutes of October 12, 2005.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT.....MAYOR RON BRODZINSKI . . . . . ABSENT

Submitted a written report of the activities of his office from October 11 through October 24, 2005.

SERVICE DIRECTOR.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Reported that both he and Mayor Brodzinski request passage tonight of Resolution 33-2005 and Ordinance 36-2005. President Johnson commended the Mayor and Service Director for their work to get ODOT to fund the total project of slip repair on State Route 416, as indicated in Resolution 33-2005.

SAFETY DIRECTOR.....MR. GREG POPHAM

Reported that two new police officers have recently been hired. Reported that the Board of Control met October 17 and they have awarded a bid for ventilation system in the fire department. Relinquished the floor to Police Officer Paul Rossi, who is creating a Citizen Awareness Seminar to educate the public on the operation of the Police Department.

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

TREASURER . . . . . MR. MIKE TAYLOR . . . . . NO REPORT

LAW DIRECTOR . . . . . MR. MIKE JOHNSON

Explained Ordinance 36-2005 and urged its passage tonight. Also urged passage of Resolution 33-2005, and also commended the Mayor and Service Director for saving the city money in getting ODOT to fund the project 100%. Mr. Johnson responded to a request by Councilman George Houston to explain the Eminent Domain Law.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION.....MAYOR BRODZINSKI

Will meet November 9, 2005 at 1:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.....MR. GARY ESPENSCHIED

Will meet November 8, 2005 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

AIRPORT COMMISSION.....MR. JIM LOCKER . . . . . NO REPORT

PARK BOARD.....MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER . . . . . NO REPORT

HEALTH BOARD.....MS. SANDRA COX

Will meet November 9, 2005 in the Health Department at 12:00 PM.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE. . . . . MS. SANDRA COX.

Reported meeting tonight to discuss Ordinance 34-2005. Some questions were raised, and Ms. Cox requested that the ordinance be held until the next meeting.

SALARY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. JIM LOCKER . . . . . NO REPORT

Will meet November 10, 2005 to discuss back pay for non-bargaining employees.

SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. SAM HITCHCOCK . . . . . NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned a Citizen Awareness Seminar to be held by the New Philadelphia Police Department.

PUBLIC WORKS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. . . MR. ROB MAURER. . . NO REPORT

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

Will meet October 27 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss a change of zoning on Commercial Ave.

CONTACT & SPECIAL COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. BILL ELLWOOD

Reported meeting tonight to discuss State Issue 1. The Committee voted to approve Resolution 30-2005. Mr. Johnson assigned a request to review the city's internet provider service.

PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE . . . . . MR. DARRIN LAUTENSCHLEGER.....NO REPORT

Mr. Johnson assigned a request for electrical updating of the baseball fields at Tuscora Park.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Charles Warner, 406 Springbrook Dr. S.W., New Philadelphia, asked if the city looks at grants as a way to fund sanitary sewer upgrades. Mr. Johnson said if there are any grants available, the city does look at them. He also informed Mr. Warner that federal, state, and local funds have been cut for projects such as this. Service Director Gary Espenschied said his office is constantly looking at funding for these projects. Mr. Warner presented additional petitions for the sump hole on Springbrook.

Ella Slough, 616 Sandpiper, S.E., New Philadelphia, asked if all the fire hydrants in working order. She thanked the General Services Dept. for the trimming of the tree at the Fair Ave. cemetery. She asked for a report of the spending for the Hi-Tech Park. Auditor Beth Gundy said she does not have those figures with her, but Ms. Slough can call her office any time. Mr. Espenschied said when the fire hydrants are flushed, which was done recently, those not working properly are bagged until parts are available. She asked the status of the Beaver Dam Creek cleaning. Mr. Espenschied said he is waiting for Gradall.

#### READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

##### ORDINANCES:

- 30-2005 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to accept the New Philadelphia Fire Department billing write-off and adjustments policy, and declaring an emergency (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Lautenschleger. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 32-2005 An ordinance to allocate funds collected under Ordinance 5-2004, Income Tax Ordinance, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Ellwood. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.
- 34-2005 An ordinance amending and adjusting the permanent appropriations ordinance for the year 2005 and declaring an emergency. (2nd Reading)
- 35-2005 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia to authorize and increase in the billing rate for the New Philadelphia Fire Department Emergency Medical Services for the calendar year 2006, 2007, and 2008 and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
- 36-2005 An ordinance by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio accepting the dedication plat for Tuscarawas Regional Technology Park to the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Ellwood. Roll call, 7 yeas, rules suspended.
- Motion to vote on passage made by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Ellwood. Roll call, 7 yeas, ordinance passed.

##### RESOLUTIONS:

- 29-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio amending Resolution 18-2002 adopting a fixed assets policy documenting the threshold and fixed asset accounting procedures, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)
- Motion to vote on passage made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Ellwood. Roll call, 7 yeas, resolution passed.
- 30-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio proclaiming support of State Issue 1, amending the Ohio constitution to authorize the issuance of general obligations of the State to finance local government public infrastructure capital improvements, research and development, and the development of certain sites and facilities in Ohio, and to expand State and local

government authority regarding economic development, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)

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

32-2005 A resolution by the Council of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio to require the Service Director to submit to City Council all changes in water and sewer rates for review and consent prior to passage, and declaring an emergency. (3rd Reading)

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

33-2005 A resolution requesting embankment restoration and pavement repair on State Route 416 located 0.02 miles north of Wabash Avenue in New Philadelphia, and declaring an emergency. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

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

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

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. HOUSTON. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:02 P.M.

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

APPROVED November 14, 2005

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