

## **City of Phillips' Common Council Meeting**

Council Room, Municipal Hall

174 S Eyder Avenue

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

5:30 p.m.

Mayor, Charles Peterson

Council Members: Wards 1 & 2 (District 1) –Richard Heitkemper, Ward 3 (District 2) - Laura Tomaszewski; Ward 4 (District 3)– Bill Elliott

At Large – Jerry Clark, Marty Stephan, and John Klimowski

Public Works – Jim Heizler; Water-Sewer - Todd Toelle Police – Michael Hauschild;

Library – Rebecca Puhl

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Kosmer

Following the open session of the meeting the Common Council will convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1)(c) Compensation and Evaluation – To review applications for the Phillips Police Department full-time officer.

This meeting is held in compliance with Wisconsin's Open Meeting Law, WI § Chapter 19, Subchapter V. As such it is open to the public.

Call to Order (presiding officer)

Greeting

Certification of compliance with Open Meeting Law

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Charles Peterson \_\_\_\_, Jerry Clark \_\_\_\_, Richard Heitkemper \_\_\_\_, Laura Tomaszewski, \_\_\_\_, Marty Stephan \_\_\_\_, Bill Elliott \_\_\_\_, John Klimowski \_\_\_\_,

Public Comment:

### **DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Motion to approve February 14, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Motion to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$ 166,188.06.
3. Discussion/Action regarding BART Bus: Presentation to review BART program.
4. Motion to approve the engineering contract with Ayres Associates for Fifield and Ash St construction as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
5. Motion to approve the ratification of the Fire Department moving forward with repairs for Truck 444 in the amount of \$18,365.21.
6. Discussion/Action regarding 235 & 265 N Lake Ave: Brief presentation, Lyn Ludwig, potential development.

7. Committee Reports:

Ambulance

Library

Chamber

8. Convene into closed session. Authority: Pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1)(c)  
Compensation and Evaluation – To review applications for the Phillips Police  
Department full-time officer.

Jerry Clark\_\_\_ Richard Heitkemper \_\_\_ Laura Tomaszewski \_\_\_ Marty Stephan \_\_\_  
Bill Elliott \_\_\_ John Klimowski \_\_\_\_\_. Time\_\_\_\_\_

9. Reconvene into open session. Authority: Wisconsin §19.85(2). Jerry Clark\_\_\_ Richard  
Heitkemper \_\_\_ Laura Tomaszewski \_\_\_ Marty Stephan \_\_\_ Bill Elliott \_\_\_ John  
Klimowski \_\_\_\_\_. Time: \_\_\_\_

10. Motion on the subject of the closed session.

11. Adjournment

## **COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

.....of the Common Council of the City of Phillips at a meeting held in the Council Room of Municipal Hall on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Peterson at 5:30 p.m. Those present included:

Mayor Peterson

At Large Aldermen: Jerry Clark, Marty Stephan, and John Klimowski

1st Aldermanic District: Richard Heitkemper

2nd Aldermanic District:

3rd Aldermanic District: Bill Elliott

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Kosmer

Also present: Michael Hauschild, Blaine Peterson, Travis Abraham, Lucas Petroski, Patty Stephan, Nick Trimner, Pat Daoust, Becky Puhl, Lyn Ludwig, Autumn Gedde

Public Comment: None

### **DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Heitkemper/ Clark moved to approve February 14, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes.  
Carried
2. Clark/ Elliott moved to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$ 166,188.06. Roll Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Tomaszewski – absent, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
3. Discussion/Action regarding BART Bus: Presentation to review BART program. Nick Trimner from Price County and Pat Daoust from Bay Area Rural Transportation was in attendance to give the council some information about the performance of the BART bus program and how the program and participation has improved over the last several years. A new bus has been purchased and it is an electric bus, with the electric bus the county is putting in a couple of charging ports at the County building. County funds it with an 85/20 transportation grant through the state. Looking for an additional \$2,000 per year from the City to continue the program with increasing gas and wage increases over the year.
4. Klimowski/ Clark moved to approve the engineering contract with Ayres Associates for Fifield and Ash St construction as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.  
Carried
5. Heitkemper/ Elliott moved to approve the ratification of the Fire Department moving forward with repairs for Truck 444 in the amount of \$18,365.21. Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Tomaszewski – absent, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye.
6. Discussion/Action regarding 235 & 265 N Lake Ave: Brief presentation, Lyn Ludwig, potential development. Remediation is needed to get rid of the contamination. Would like to make a development that would be owned locally. Council verbal go ahead, will be on next agenda. 4/4/23

7. Committee Reports:

Ambulance: Going through second weekend of recertification of individual licensing. Busy running, the ambulance that was down is back up and running.

Library: Trying all sorts of new things, big interactive crossword puzzle in their lobby, busy getting summer activities ready.

Chamber: 215 members, room tax is doing great in Worcester and Elk. Looking to get more electric down at the park with all the events going on. Potentially run some more power so vendors do not need generators. July 1<sup>st</sup> at 1 pm Wisconsin Marching band some members will be there and will give a 35–45-minute presentation.

8. Elliott/ Clark moved to convene into closed session. Authority: Pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1)(c) Compensation and Evaluation – To review applications for the Phillips Police Department full-time officer.

Jerry Clark – aye, Richard Heitkemper -aye, Laura Tomaszewski – absent, Marty Stephan – aye, Bill Elliott – aye, John Klimowski – aye. Time 6:08pm

9. Klimowski/ Elliott moved to reconvene into open session. Authority: Wisconsin §19.85(2). Jerry Clark – aye, Richard Heitkemper – aye, Laura Tomaszewski – absent, Marty Stephan – aye, Bill Elliott – aye, John Klimowski – aye. Time: 6:50pm

10. Motion on the subject of the closed session. None

11. Klimowski moved for adjournment. 6:51pm



Shelby Kosmer  
Clerk/Treasurer