

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

Council Room, Municipal Hall

174 S Eyder Avenue

November 14, 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

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 October 10<sup>th</sup> and October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Motion to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$ 393,652.66.
3. Elk Lake Park Playground Upgrade Update:
4. Discussion/Action regarding lease agreement with Phillips youth Baseball, Inc for the property at Veterans Memorial Park and Field, Forward Park, and Sullivan, Podmolik, and Auto-Owner's Fields and Shot and Discus Area.
5. Discussion/Action regarding the "Class B" Retail and Class "B" Beer license application for Harbor View on the Lake LLC.
6. Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #1228: Approving the participation in the Green Tier Legacy Community Program

7. Discussion/ action regarding bids and proposals for Well 4&5 Property at 680 & 690 County Rd H
8. Motion to approve Ordinance 23-003, Revision of Section 13.08: Building Sewers and Connections as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
9. Motion to approve the 2024 Budget as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
10. Motion to proceed with moving forward with sponsoring the new full-time applicant for the Police Academy and paying their salary during the duration of the academy as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
11. Motion to approve the Amendment to the Fifield/Ash street project Engineer Contract as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
12. Committee Reports:
  - Ambulance
  - Library
  - Chamber
13. Adjournment

## **COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

.....of the Common Council of the City of Phillips at a meeting held in the Council Room of Municipal Hall on November 14, 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: Laura Tomaszewski

3rd Aldermanic District: Bill Elliott

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Kosmer

Also present: Michael Hauschild, Joe Perkins, Justin Schuenemann, Marisa Budaj, Joe Rivas III, Mark Brzeskiewicz, Marj Brzeskiewicz, Becky Puhl, Jodi Podmolik, Patty Stephan, Lyn Ludwig, Suzanne Ludwig, Saige Stein, and Kristen Harper.

Public Comment: None

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

1. Klimowski/ Clark moved to approve October 10<sup>th</sup> and October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes as corrected. Carried
2. Clark/ Heitkemper moved to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$ 393,652.66. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Tomaszewski – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried.
3. Elk Lake Park Playground Upgrade Update: Kristen Harper came to update the Council regarding the Elk Lake Playground upgrade fundraiser. They did receive \$100,000 from the Health & Human Services through an ARPA grant. So they have approximately \$115k raised and they are over halfway to their goal so they have ordered the equipment and hope to get on the schedule for a June 2024 install.
4. Discussion/Action regarding lease agreement with Phillips youth Baseball, Inc for the property at Veterans Memorial Park and Field, Forward Park, and Sullivan, Podmolik, and Auto-Owner's Fields and Shot and Discus Area.  
City attorney Bryce Schoenborn drafted a new lease agreement with Phillips Youth Baseball, there will be a separate sublease between Youth Baseball and the School District.  
Heitkemper/ Klimowski moved to approve the lease agreement with Phillips Youth Baseball, Inc for the property at Veterans Memorial Park and Field, Forward Park, and Sullivan, Podmolik, and Auto-Owner's Fields and Shot and Discus Area. Carried
5. Discussion/Action regarding the "Class B" Retail and Class "B" Beer license application for Harbor View on the Lake LLC.  
Elliott/ Heitkemper moved to approve the "Class B" Retail and Class "B" Beer license application for Harbor View on the Lake LLC. Roll Call: Clark – opposed, Heitkemper – aye, Tomaszewski – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried

6. Elliott/ Klimowski moved to approve Resolution #1228: Approving the participation in the Green Tier Legacy Community Program. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Tomaszewski – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried.
7. Discussion/ action regarding bids and proposals for Well 4&5 Property at 680 & 690 County Rd H. Mayor Peterson began discussion by reading a letter from bidder Mark Puls rescinding his offer and expressing opposition to Ludwigs’s proposal. City Attorney Schoenborn offered some suggestions for potential elements to include in the acceptance of a proposal. Determine a timeframe of construction and a minimum assessed value to be constructed inclusion of a PILOT payment if the property were to go tax exempt in the future.  
Elliott/ Clark moved to accept the bid proposal from The Meadows of the North in the amount of \$30,000 with construction to occur within 3 years and have a minimum assessed value of \$100,000 to be built on the property, with the contingency that if the property were to go tax exempt that a PILOT payment would be made to the City valued at the assessed value of the property. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Tomaszewski – aye, Stephan – abstained, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
8. Heitkemper/ Elliott moved to approve Ordinance 23-003, Revision of Section 13.08: Building Sewers and Connections as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
9. Clark/ Elliott moved to approve the 2024 Budget as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Tomaszewski – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
10. Klimowski/ Tomaszewski moved to proceed with moving forward with sponsoring the new full-time applicant for the Police Academy and paying their salary during the duration of the academy as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
11. Klimowski/ Elliott moved to approve the Amendment to the Fifield/Ash Street project Engineer Contract as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
12. Committee Reports:  
Ambulance: Been busy, but Prentice has been responding to some Prentice calls.  
Library: Had their Thanksgiving Program today and will be having a book sale after Thanksgiving. Having a card making craft night, cards will be \$8.  
Chamber: And their annual dinner last night had 80 attendees. Phillips plating was named Business of the year and Julie Olsen was named citizen of the year. Up over 200 chamber members now and they announced that they will be hosting Boogie and the the Yo-Yoz’s for Phillips on Tap.
13. Tomaszewski/ Elliott moved for adjournment. 6:02pm.

  
Shelby Kosmer  
Clerk/Treasurer