

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

Council Room, Municipal Hall

174 S Eyder Avenue

July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

5:30 p.m.

Mayor, Charles Peterson

Council Members: Wards 1 & 2 (District 1) –Richard Heitkemper, Ward 3 (District 2) - Mark Brzeskiewicz; 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 Meetings 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 Meetings Law

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Public Comment:

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

1. Motion to approve June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Motion to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$349,507.10.
3. Discussion/Action regarding Elk Lake Park Playground Equipment Update Fundraiser. Potential discussion on short-term financing to complete the project.
4. Motion to approve Ordinance 24-002: Adoption of the City of Phillips Comprehensive Plan 2024-2034 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
5. Motion to give permission to the Phillips Moose Lodge to proceed with the "Flags Across Phillips" project as recommended by the Committee of the Whole
6. Motion to approve Pay Request #2 from Haas Sons, Inc for Fifield & Ash Street Reconstruction in the amount of \$295,138.36 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole

7. Motion to approve Resolution #1233: Resolution Authorizing the issuance and sale of up to \$221,618 Water and Sewer system Revenue Bonds for the Safe Drinking Water portion of the project as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
8. Motion to approve Resolution #1234: Resolution Authorizing the issuance and sale of up to \$187,710 Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds for the Clean Water Fund portion of the project as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
9. Discussion/Potential Action regarding Library Grant
10. Committee Reports:
  - Ambulance
  - Library
  - Chamber
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 July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

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: Mark Brzeskiewicz

3rd Aldermanic District: Bill Elliott

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Kosmer

Also present: Joe Perkins, David Lontcoski, Shirley Smith, Lynn Redfall, Becky Puhl, Kristen Harper, Lyn Ludwig, Patty Stephan, Barb Alm, Mike Stoffel.

Public Comment: Lynn Redfall was in attendance to introduce herself to the Council members as a candidate for the Price County Clerk's position where she provided more information about herself and her background, she is the current clerk for the Town of Kennan.

## **DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Klimowski/ Clark moved to approve June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes. Carried
2. Elliott/ Brzeskiewicz moved to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$349,507.10. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
3. Discussion/Action regarding Elk Lake Park Playground Equipment Update Fundraiser. Potential discussion on short-term financing to complete the project. About 54k short have until about the end of August to do what they can do for fundraising. Fundraise beyond. Mark Brzeskiewicz spoke to Jeff from Forward Bank and the going interest rate is about 5.5%. Clerk Kosmer is going to look at some financial options for the City and we will put on August Committee of the Whole meeting.
4. Klimowski/ Heitkemper moved to approve Ordinance 24-002: Adoption of the City of Phillips Comprehensive Plan 2024-2034 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
5. Heitkemper/ Elliott moved to give permission to the Phillips Moose Lodge to proceed with the "Flags Across Phillips" project as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
6. Clark/ Brzeskiewicz moved to approve Pay Request #2 from Haas Sons, Inc for Fifield & Ash Street Reconstruction in the amount of \$295,138.36 as recommended by the

Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried

7. Heitkemper/ Klimowski moved to approve Resolution #1233: Resolution Authorizing the issuance and sale of up to \$221,618 Water and Sewer system Revenue Bonds for the Safe Drinking Water portion of the project for Fifield/Ash Street as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
8. Klimowski/ Brzeskiewicz moved to approve Resolution #1234: Resolution Authorizing the issuance and sale of up to \$187,710 Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds for the Clean Water Fund portion of the project for Fifield/Ash Street as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
9. Discussion/Potential Action regarding Library Grant. Becky Puhl is apply for the Flexible Facilities grant 24 minutes in. Application needs to go through the City and the Library just needs to have the City authorize Becky as an authorized signer so she can submit. Would know about beginning of October  
Klimowski/ Clark moved to authorize Becky Puhl as an authorized representative for the Flexible Facilities Program Grant.
10. Committee Reports:  
Ambulance: 1 new EMT on board and working, another still waiting for certification and had 1 EMT that has been with them for 23 years has resigned this week.  
  
Library: Did Bingo with the Moose Lodge, having pint Sized polka at 1 pm at the Armory 7/10/24. Did hire Linda Johnson as the new youth services librarian.  
  
Chamber: Had a great week, fireworks and arts & crafts were well attended and went great. Still looking for a new Director. Nick Gabay is the treasurer now. Memberships are coming in.

11. Brzeskiewicz moved for adjournment 6:01pm



Shelby Kosmer  
Clerk/Treasurer