

City of Phillips' Common Council Meeting

Council Room, Municipal Hall

174 S Eyder Avenue

April 8, 2025

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 March 11th, 2025, and March 25th, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Motion to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$499,082.22
3. Discussion/Action regarding Chicken Ordinance 25-002 allowing chickens within the City limits.
4. Introduction of Annexation Ordinance for City-owned, Phillips IDC-owned, and Brian/Kristine Ernst parcels in and adjacent to North Business Park generally between State Highway 13 and Hillcrest Road.
5. Committee Reports:
Ambulance:
Library
Chamber:
6. Phillips Industrial Development Corp (IDC) Update:
7. Adjournment

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

.....of the Common Council of the City of Phillips at a meeting held in the Council Room of Municipal Hall on April 8th, 2025.

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:

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Kosmer

Also present: Michael Hauschild, Anne Baxter, Bruce Marshall, Patty Stephan

Public Comment: Anne Baxter complaints about garbage/ recycling services. Not picked up in 3 weeks now. Mayor Peterson will call the company area representative.

DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEMS:

1. Klimowski/ Clark moved to approve March 11th, 2025, and March 25th, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes. Carried
2. Heitkemper/ Clark moved to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$499,082.22. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – absent, Stephan – aye, Elliott – absent, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
3. Discussion/Action regarding Chicken Ordinance 25-002 allowing chickens within the City limits.
Section 1(g) needs to update the six chickens and the 4 weeks of age. Section e (6) brooded the chicks instead of incubating. Section (1)(c) remove the permit and inspection price and just reference renewal and permit set in accordance with the City of Phillips fee schedule.
Klimowski/ Clark moved to approve Ordinance 25-002 allowing chickens within the City limits with the proposed updates in Section 1(c), Section 1(e)(6), and Section 1(g)(6).
Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – absent, Stephan – aye, Elliott – absent, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
4. Introduction of Annexation Ordinance for City-owned, Phillips IDC-owned, and Brian/Kristine Ernst parcels in and adjacent to North Business Park generally between State Highway 13 and Hillcrest Road.
Will be sending an official letter to Worcester and to the state, map page 3, trying to finalize the map and get correct with the county and their mapping. Will not need a public hearing as there is a direct annexation signed by all the property owners involved. We do need to get input from the State, and we cannot act until we get the letter back.
5. Committee Reports:
Ambulance: Staying busy.

Library: The Summer kickoff party is on June 17th at Elk Lake Park- we're having a carnival with a petting zoo. The Friends of the Phillips Library group is getting them some new furniture. Also 24 people attended the « Can you Grow it » panel discussion. It was a big success!

Chamber: Johnathon McArthur is the new executive Chamber director.

6. Phillips Industrial Development Corp (IDC) Update: the new website is progressing, and they've set up appointments to take photos of all the major businesses in the area in the next few weeks
7. Clark moved for adjournment. 5:56pm



Shelby Kosmer
Clerk/Treasurer