

AMENDED 6/8/26 2:15PM
City of Phillips' Common Council Meeting
Council Room, Municipal Hall
174 S Eyder Avenue
June 9th, 2026
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 – Jeana Clark, Johnathan McArthur, 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 ____, Jeana Clark ____, Richard Heitkemper ____, Mark Brzeskiewicz ____, Johnathan McArthur ____, Bill Elliott ____, John Klimowski ____

Public Comment:

DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEMS:

1. Motion to approve May 12th, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Motion to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$608,890.48.
3. Discussion/Potential Action Presentation for Food Truck Power Upgrade Proposal for Elk Lake Park requested by Charles Kandutsch, Yahoo Barbeque
4. Motion to approve Pay Request #2 from Ritola Inc for the North Annex Water Loop Project in the amount of \$155,753.07 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
5. Motion to approve Resolution #1247 Resolution declaring official intent to reimburse expenditures from proceeds of borrowing
6. Motion to approve Resolution #1248 Year 2026 Compliance Maintenance Report as recommended by the Committee of the Whole
7. Motion to approve the Class B Retail Combination and Class B Beer License applications. The Class A Retail Combination License applications and the Class "A" Retail Fermented Malt License applications. To approve the "Class A" Retail Liquor License application, and the Class "B" Retail Beer Wine License applications as recommended by the Committee of the Whole

8. Discussion/Action regarding approval of Change Order #1 for the North Annex Water Main Loop project in the amount of \$16,212.48
9. Discussion/Action regarding DPW Single Axle dump truck bids received
10. Discussion/Action regarding loan quotes for financing of the DPW Single Axle Dump Truck
11. Resolution #1249: Transportation Resolution to support comprehensive and sustainable funding solutions for state and local transportation programs.
12. Motion to approve the promotion of Phillips Police Lt Blaine Peterson to Police Chief upon retirement of Chief Michael Hauschild as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
13. Committee Reports:
 - Ambulance:
 - Library
 - Chamber:
14. Phillips Industrial Development Corp (IDC) Update:
15. Adjournment

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

.....of the Common Council of the City of Phillips at a meeting held in the Council Room of Municipal Hall on June 9th, 2026.

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

Mayor Peterson

At Large Aldermen: Jeana Clark, Johnathan McArthur, John Klimowski

1st Aldermanic District: Richard Heitkemper

2nd Aldermanic District: Mark Brzeskiewicz

3rd Aldermanic District: Bill Elliott

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Kosmer

Also present: Michael Hauschild, Blaine Peterson, Jim Heizler, Charles Kandutsch, Thomas LaVenture, Becky Puhl.

Public Comment: Jim Heizler, cemetery association is in need of members, need to own a lot or have a family member in the cemetery is the only stipulation.

DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEMS:

1. McArthur/ Elliott moved to approve May 12th, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes.
Carried
2. Clark/Heitkemper moved to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of \$608,890.48. Roll call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, McArthur – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
3. Discussion/Potential Action Presentation for Food Truck Power Upgrade Proposal for Elk Lake Park requested by Charles Kandutsch, Yahoo Barbeque.
Chuck Kandutsch did a brief presentation regarding the request to add power pedestals in Elk Lake Park for vendors.

Heitkemper/ Elliott moved to allow Charles Kandutsch to move forward and raise funds for adding power pedestals down at Elk Lake Park. Roll Call: Roll call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, McArthur – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
4. Clark/ McArthur moved to approve Pay Request #2 from Ritola Inc for the North Annex Water Loop Project in the amount of \$155,753.07 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Roll call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, McArthur – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
5. Klimowski/ Brzeskiewicz moved to approve Resolution #1247 Resolution declaring official intent to reimburse expenditures from proceeds of borrowing as recommended by the Committee of the whole. Carried
6. Klimowski/ McArthur moved to approve Resolution #1248 Year 2026 Compliance Maintenance Report as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried

7. Elliott/ Heitkemper Motion to approve the Class B Retail Combination and Class B Beer License applications. The Class A Retail Combination License applications and the Class "A" Retail Fermented Malt License applications. To approve the "Class A" Retail Liquor License application, and the Class "B" Retail Beer License applications as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Roll call: Clark – abstained, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, McArthur – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
8. McArthur/ Elliott moved to approved approval of Change Order #1 for the North Annex Water Main Loop project in the amount of \$16,212.48. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, McArthur – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
9. Discussion/Action regarding DPW Single Axle dump truck bids received. Heizler presented list of bids received and explained the different options and delivery dates. Clark/ moved to proceed with the 2027 international with universal body for \$189,588 with Ascendance Trucks Center. Roll Call: Clark -aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – opposed, McArthur – aye, Elliott – ay, Klimowski – opposed. Motion Carried 4-2
10. Discussion/Action regarding loan quotes for financing of the DPW Single Axle Dump Truck. Table this financing waiting for information on the cost of Avon project in 2027.
11. Heitkemper/ Clark Resolution #1249: Transportation Resolution to support comprehensive and sustainable funding solutions for state and local transportation programs. Motion Carried
12. McArthur/ Heitkemper moved to approve the promotion of Phillips Police Lt Blaine Peterson to Police Chief upon retirement of Chief Michael Hauschild as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Roll call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, McArthur – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried
13. Committee Reports:
Ambulance: Had meeting last night, have new emts starting, runs have been steady. Tonight they were down in Prentice, and Park Falls had to cover our area. Went to a 3rd party billing and their revenues are starting to flow again.

Library: Very busy, have story times on Wednesday, last Thursday of the month is the kickoff party. Brand new fish tank and new programming, library reading program is officially underway.

Chamber: 235 members all-time high, people are signing up for the 4th of July Adam Calvert will be the musical entertainment. Tim neu is going to stay on as president and Regina Damjanovic is the new Vice President. Girls' night out is June 18th.

14. Phillips Industrial Development Corp (IDC) Update: sent out a letter that chuck and Darin signed and letter to urge them to develop the four seasons. Following up within the next few weeks. Do have the new for sale signs on the lots for sale. Received 2 phone calls and one from a local person, Moritz family was interested in purchasing but for residential use. They will be having a PAD (Phillips Area Development) meeting at noon at the forward bank. Did attend the price county area development meeting in park falls last week, the kids are signing up for kindergarten right now, 28 kids in park falls fand 19 in Phillips, usually we have around 30. We need to retain and attract people to our area.

15. McArthur moved for adjournment. 6:22pm



Shelby Kosmer
Clerk/Treasurer