**City of Phillips' Common Council Meeting**

Council Room, Municipal Hall
174 S Eyder Avenue
October 13th, 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 – Blaine Peterson;
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 the September 8th, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes.

2. Motion to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of $447,252.78

3. Motion to approve Final Pay Request #5 from Ritola Inc for the North Annex Water Loop Project in the amount of $7141.71 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole

4. Committee Reports:
   Ambulance:
   Library
   Chamber:

5. Phillips Industrial Development Corp (IDC) Update:

6. 2027 Budget Discussion

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 October 13th, 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: Marcie Bogdanovic
Also present: John Baxter, Rebecca Puhl

Public Comment: None

## DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEMS:

1. Klimowski/Elliott moved to approve the September 8th, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes. Carried

2. Elliott/Clark moved to approve the payment of vouchers in the total amount of $447,252.78. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – aye, Brzeskiewicz – aye, McArthur – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried.

3. Heitkemper/Brzeskiewicz moved to approve Final Pay Request #5 from Ritola Inc for the North Annex Water Loop Project in the amount of $7141.71 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried

4. Committee Reports:
   Ambulance: Heitkemper stated that the ambulance service is doing well and they are stable with a staff of 21 employees. The Northwoods Range Rovers did a ride over Harvest Fest weekend and raised $7,000 toward the repair of the ambulance building roof.
   Library: The book sale is going on, and the story walk went well. Cabin Creations has offered to sponsor the walk in 2027.
   Chamber: Harvest Festival went well. They have 220 active members with memberships still coming in. Comedy Night is scheduled for November 25th. The Christmas Parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 5th at 5 p.m. They are doing it an hour earlier in hopes that it will be a little warmer and businesses will be able to be open.

5. Phillips Industrial Development Corp (IDC) Update: Dan Tekippe hosted the board at Phillips Plastics, and they were given a history of the plant along with a tour. They have a new sophisticated, high-speed automated machine that is putting out 360,000 parts per day. They have 220 employees and the plant runs 24 hours a day. The new bakery is going well and looking to open in the fall of 2027. The Waste Management building in the Industrial Park is for sale. Mark called for information but has not received a return call. Lake II Brewery is closed, so there's no chance of them coming to Phillips. Mark would like to get in touch with Alexis to see if she could update the website.

6. 2027 Budget Discussion: Still waiting on figures for health insurance.

7. Peterson moved for adjournment: 5:48 pm

*Marcie Bogdanovic*
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Deputy Clerk/Treasurer