

## City of Phillips' Common Council Meeting

Council Room, Municipal Hall

174 S Eyder Avenue

June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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 – Jeff Williams; Water-Sewer - Todd Toelle Police – Michael Hauschild;

Library – Rebecca Puhl

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Prochnow

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 May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Motion to approve the payment of vouchers in total amount of \$189,911.43.
3. Motion to approve the plan replacing of the concrete stoop to the treated wood decking, maintaining their existing setback, at the Red Beard Bistro, 138 S Lake Ave as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
4. Motion to approve the renaming of Resolution 1197 to Resolution #1197:01 – 2019 Budget Amendments as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
5. Motion to accept the Town & County Contract and the Ayres Associates Contract as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
6. Motion to recommend the Well Head Protection Plan to the Phillips Planning Commission as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.

7. Motion to approve Resolution #1209 – Year 2020 Compliance Maintenance Report as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
8. Motion to approve the hiring of Jacob Giannonni for the Phillips Police Department and financially supporting the Police Academy for him, in return he will serve for the Phillips Police Department for a minimum of 3 years as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
9. Motion to approve the rehiring of James Cummings for the Phillips Police Department as a Part-time officer as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
10. Motion to approve the “Class B” Retail Combination and Class “B” Beer License, the “Class A” Retail Combination License and the Class “A” Fermented Malt License, the “Class A” Retail Liquor License, the Class “B” Retail Beer and “Class C” Wine License applications as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
11. Motion to approve the restoration of the DPW employees sick leave lost during the COVID-19 pandemic up to 80 hours as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
12. Discussion/Potential Action regarding the opening of the Splash Pad
13. Discussion/Potential Action regarding the recommendation from the Phillips Recreation Committee to Back up a 5-year General Obligation loan issued by Forward Bank with funds raised by Phillips Youth Baseball and Softball to continue improvements at the complex on Ball Park Drive.
14. Committee Reports:
  - Ambulance
  - Library
  - Chamber
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 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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

Mayor Peterson

At Large Aldermen: Jerry Clark, John Klimowski, Marty Stephan

1st Aldermanic District: Richard Heitkemper (Arrived 5:48pm)

2nd Aldermanic District: Laura Tomaszewski

3rd Aldermanic District: Bill Elliott

Clerk/Treasurer: Shelby Prochnow

Also present: Michael Hauschild, Christian Markle, Jennifer Markel, Kristen Harper, Jon Pesko, Mark Brzeskiewicz, Patricia Zeitner, Frank Dusek and T.J Podmolik.

Public Comment: None

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

1. Elliott/ Klimowski moved to approve May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes. Carried
2. Clark/ Stephan moved to approve the payment of vouchers in total amount of \$189,911.43. Carried
3. Elliott/ Clark moved to approve the plan replacing of the concrete stoop to the treated wood decking, maintaining their existing setback, at the Red Beard Bistro, 138 S Lake Ave as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
4. Clark/ Stephan moved to approve the renaming of Resolution 1197 to Resolution #1197:01 – 2019 Budget Amendments as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
5. Klimowski/ Elliott moved to accept the Town & County Contract and the Ayres Associates Contract for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
6. Tomaszewski/ Klimowski moved to recommend the Well Head Protection Plan to the Phillips Planning Commission as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
7. Klimowski/ Clark moved to approve Resolution #1209 – Year 2020 Compliance Maintenance Report as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried
8. Clark/ Elliott moved to approve the hiring of Jacob Giannoni for the Phillips Police Department and financially supporting the Police Academy for him, in return he will serve for the Phillips Police Department for a minimum of 3 years as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried

9. Stephan/ Tomaszewski moved to approve the rehiring of James Cummings for the Phillips Police Department as a Part-time officer as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Carried

10. Klimowski/ Elliott moved to approve the "Class B" Retail Combination and Class "B" Beer License, the "Class A" Retail Combination License and the Class "A" Fermented Malt License, the "Class A" Retail Liquor License, the Class "B" Retail Beer and "Class C" Wine License applications as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Clark – opposed, Heitkemper – absent, Tomaszewski – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried 4:1

11. Elliott/ Tomaszewski moved to approve the restoration of the DPW employees sick leave lost during the COVID-19 pandemic up to 80 hours as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper – absent, Tomaszewski – aye, Stephan – aye, Elliott – aye, Klimowski – aye. Motion Carried.

12. Discussion/Potential Action regarding the opening of the Splash Pad: The Splash Pad does need to be sealed and caulked but they should be ready by next week. We should probably have signs up about social distancing and not wearing a mask while using the splash pad. Council set an opening day of June 18<sup>th</sup>.

13. Discussion/Potential Action regarding the recommendation from the Phillips Recreation Committee to Back up a 5-year General Obligation loan issued by Forward Bank with funds raised by Phillips Youth Baseball and Softball to continue improvements at the complex on Ball Park Drive.

T.J Podmolik gave a short presentation about the overall vision for the ball field complex and discussed the progress they have made. They would like the City to back up a loan, taken out by the City of Phillips with funds raised by the Phillips Youth Baseball and Softball group. Business will pledge the donations.

Klimowski/ Clark moved to approve backing up a 5-year General Obligation loan, up to \$175,000, issued by Forward Bank with the funds raised by Phillips youth Baseball and Softball to continue improvements at the complex on Ball Park Drive as recommended by the Phillips Recreation Committee. Roll Call: Clark – aye, Heitkemper - aye.

14. Committee Reports:

Ambulance: Postponed their quarterly meeting. Pretty busy, but so far, no COVID related responses. Supplies are hard to get.

Library: Offering curbside service through June and accepting returns. At the end of June the board will discuss the possibility of opening in July and they are making necessary safety changes and precautions. They will be offering a summer reading program both on paper on in an App starting in July, but no in person programs. The Library System is slowly increasing the courier service, so they now have limited access to items at other libraries.

Chamber: Right now there is no Chamber president, as they were unaware of the 3-year terms that are set. There were suggestions to remove the terms. The Chamber was happy with the letter sent out to Verizon regarding Cell Phone Services. The County would like the Phillips and Park Falls chamber to merge. Also, the Chamber covered half the cost of the membership this year.

15. Clark/ Elliott moved for adjournment. 6:29pm

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shelby Prochnow".

Shelby Prochnow  
Clerk/Treasurer