

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 3, 2022**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on January 3, 2022, 6:00 P.M, at 945 2nd Street, Phillipsburg, KS.

CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bret Miles.
ATTENDANCE	PRESENT: Councilmembers Vickie Gibbs; Mike James; Terry McConnell; Pete Rogers; Tracy Sanson; Angie Wells. ABSENT: NONE. ALSO PRESENT: S. Scott Sage, City Attorney; Rachel Martin, My Phillips County Online; Kirby Ross, Phillips County Review; Ron Jansonius; Shawn and Tim Ellenberger; Rustan Ricker; Tim Driggs, Director of Public Works; Tiffini Gross, City Clerk.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States was led by Mayor Miles.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Tim Ellenberger addressed the Council with complaints with the city in regards to his property. Mayor Miles asked him to take any legal issues to the city's legal counsel.
MINUTES APPROVED	Moved by Gibbs, seconded by Sanson to approve the December 20, 2021 minutes as written. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
APP ORD 1055-12-21B APPROVED	Moved by Rogers, seconded by McConnell to approve ordinance #1055-12-21B, to pay the bills for the month of December. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
SNOW REMOVAL	Gibbs said the crews did a good job with snow removal. James concurred.
RESOLUTION 304 ADOPTED	Moved by James, seconded by Sanson to adopt Resolution #304 declaring an interest in, and establishing a public hearing date for considering the annexation of certain lands of the City of Phillipsburg, Kansas. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
COVID	Rogers reported Phillips County has had an additional 16 positive COVID cases, with 4 currently active. He said according to the CDC's new guidelines, after five days, if symptom free, persons are to be released from quarantine. Those released are then required to wear a mask for an additional five days in public.
SNOW REMOVAL	Wells said she was proud of the crews and the great job they did with snow removal.
APPRECIATION	Sage thanked the Council for the bonus bucks.
SNOW REMOVAL	Mayor Miles said crews did a fantastic job with snow removal.

APPRECIATION	Driggs thanked the Council for the bonus bucks on behalf of the entire staff.
WIND STORM DAMAGES	Driggs said the recent wind storm blew down fence at the cemetery and the water plant and are working on repairs. Driggs reported it was found on Friday that the wind storm also damaged the heating unit on the top of the wastewater plant, broke the gas line and punctured holes in the roof. He said the gas usage from the leak during that time will be approximately an extra \$1,500 on the next bill and that if was very fortunate that the entire sewer plant didn't explode.
PUBLIC WORKS CREWS	Driggs reported crews have been working on water leaks, a few frozen meters, taking down Christmas decorations, and snow removal.
SNOW REMOVAL PROCESS	Driggs reminded residents that the priority of snow removal is the airport, downtown, and the snow routes then they work their way out to residential areas.
SEWER UV SYSTEM	Driggs said the wastewater UV system is here.
PLANNING COMMISSION	There is a Planning Commission Meeting on January 19 th .
2022 GAAP RESOLUTION 305	Moved by Rogers, seconded by Wells to adopt the 2022 GAAP Resolution #305. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
SALES TAX	Gross reported the year-to-day sales tax received is \$28,000 more than in 2020.
CASELLE CONVERSION	Gross said that Caselle did waive the \$1700 fee for the electronic tax reporting module.
OFFICE ASSISTANT POSITION	Gross reported the position for a fill in part-time office assistant position is still open.
EVALUATIONS NEXT MEETING	Mayor Miles handed out evaluation forms for Gross and Driggs and ask that they be returned to him in order to do evaluations next meeting.
ADJOURN	Moved by Gibbs, seconded by McConnell to adjourn- time 6:18 p.m. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

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