

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 18, 2021**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on January 18, 2021, 6:00 P.M, at the Phillipsburg City Office, 945 Second Street.

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lance R. Munyon.
- ATTENDANCE** **PRESENT:** Councilmembers Terry McConnell; Vickie Gibbs; Mike James; Tracy Sanson; Bret Miles; Pete Rogers.
- ABSENT:** NONE.
- ALSO PRESENT:** S. Scott Sage, City Attorney; Rachel Martin, My Phillips County Online; Kirby Ross, Phillips County Review; Scott Aust, Community Development Director; 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 Munyon.
- PUBLIC COMMENT** There was no public comment.
- MINUTES APPROVED** Moved by Miles, seconded by James to approve the January 4, 2021 minutes as written. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- APPROPRIATION ORD #1055-01-21A** Gross pointed out the fund transfers included in the ordinance. Moved by Rogers, seconded by McConnell to approve ordinance #1055-01-21A, to pay the bills for the month of January. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- HUCK BOYD GRANT FUNDS** It was the consensus of the Council to approve James request to allow the city to facilitate grant funds for the Huck Boyd.
- COVID-19** Rogers reported COVID-19 cases are down as there was only one positive in the last three days and reported on the availability of vaccines to the county.
- CITY OFFICE LOBBY TO REOPEN** It was the consensus of the Council to reopen the City Office lobby for regular busines hours to the public beginning tomorrow.
- MORGAN FDN LETTER FOR SPORTS COMPLEX APPROVED** Moved by Miles, seconded by Sanson to approve Mayor Munyon to sign the letter drafted by City Attorney Sage to the Morgan FDN regarding the land donation for the sports complex. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- CDBG-CV GRANT** Aust reported he received an application for CDBG-CV funds for the Christmas is sharing food program through the First National Bank & Trust employee charity program that served 50 families with 60 boxes of food. Moved by Miles, seconded by James to approve Mayor Munyon and City Clerk Gross to sign the request for payment of CDBG-CV funds in the amount of \$2,023.98 for the Christmas is sharing food program. There is approximately \$7,000.00 left for food programs.

CITY ATTORNEY SWORN INTO OFFICE	Mayor Munyon swore in S. Scott Sage to another term as Phillipsburg City Attorney. Clerk Gross will swear in Judge Bonnie Leidig for another term.
AIRPORT BOARD APPOINTMENT	It was the consensus of the Council to approve Mayor Munyon's recommendation to appoint of Jeff Anderson to the Airport Advisory Board.
BOARD OF ZONING APPOINTMENT	Moved by James, seconded by McConnell to approve Mayor Munyon's recommendation to reappoint Howard King and Ken Stormont to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
HOUSING AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT	It was the consensus of the Council to approve Mayor Munyon's recommendation to appoint of Kelly Wolters to the Housing Authority Board.
PLANNING COMMISSION APPT	Moved by Rogers, seconded by James to approve Mayor Munyon's recommendation to appoint Caleb Breon to the Planning Commission. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
SHADE TREE & EDAB APPOINTMENT	It was the consensus of the Council to approve Mayor Munyon's recommendation to reappoint Tracy Beach to the Shade Tree Commission and to reappoint Dustin Springer and Taylor Redinger to the Economic Development Advisory Board.
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER	Moved by Miles, seconded by James to continue using the Phillips County Review as the City's official newspaper. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT	Driggs reported three new water services were being installed and crews worked on water leaks at 5 th Street and State and at 2 nd Street and State. He said the 2020 water report showed 8.98% water loss compared to 19.71% in 2019 and 26.29% in 2018.
QUANZ PROJECT	Driggs reported the Quanz Reservoir Project has had several delays due to COVID affecting efficiency at the state agencies, engineers, contractors, and shipping of materials.
CODE OF CONDUCT & FAIR HOUSING POLICIES APPROVED	Driggs stated the first round of CDBG Grant auditing would begin on Thursday and a couple of policies were a requirement of the grant. Moved by James, seconded by McConnell to approve the Code of Conduct Policy. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE. Moved by Miles, seconded by Sanson to approve the Fair Housing Policy. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
LIME REMOVED	Driggs reported 500 tons of waste lime was removed from the second pit at the water plant.
FIREHOUSE ICE MACHINE	Driggs will get an estimate on repairing the ice machine at the firehouse. It was the consensus of the Council for it to be replaced if the proposed repairs were too much.
SCHOOL ZONES ADDED	Moved by James, seconded by Sanson to mark the 500 and 600 block of 6 th Street and the block south of Middle School on G Street as school zones. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

RADAR SIGN

Driggs reported the radar sign is back and will be put up in a new location. Gibbs requested a school zone be considered.

AIRPORT EXTENSION PROJECT

Driggs reviewed the Airport Extension Project timeline and announced a public meeting will be held at the Huck Boyd Community Center on January 26th at 1pm, 3pm, and 6pm. He said all questions submitted during the environmental public review will be answered along with any other questions from the public. Driggs said Morris Enterprise verbally committed to bringing a business to Phillipsburg that will bring fifty jobs for a minimum of five years to the area. Gibbs encouraged anyone with concerns about the Airport Project to review the council agenda and attend the meeting on the 26th.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Gross presented the financial reports.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Miles, seconded by Rogers for the City Council to recess into executive session for preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of real property exception, K.S.A. 75-4139 (b)(6) with the City Council and Tim Driggs in attendance and the open meeting to resume in the city council chamber at 6:55 p.m. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Ross, Sage, Martin, Aust, Gross left the meeting.

Meeting resumed. Martin, Aust, and Gross joined the meeting. No action taken.

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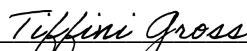
Moved by Miles, seconded by Rogers for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4139 (b)(2) with the City Council in attendance and the open meeting to resume in the city council chamber at 7:20 p.m. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Martin, Gross, Aust, Driggs left the meeting.

Meeting resumed. Martin, Gross, Aust, Driggs joined the meeting. No action taken.

ADJOURN

Moved by Gibbs, seconded by McConnell to adjourn- time 7:23 p.m. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.



Tiffini Gross, City Clerk

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