

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 6, 2023**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on March 6, 2023, 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; Jeanette Harris; Mike James; Pete Rogers; Terry McConnell.
- ABSENT:** Tracy Sanson.
- ALSO PRESENT:** Mike Reese; Joey Baxter; Tim Ellenberger; Ron Jansonius; Daryl Clark; Pastor Alex Parks; S. Scott Sage, City Attorney; Rachel Martin; Kirby Ross, Phillips County Review; 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** There was no public comment.
- MINUTES APPROVED** Moved by Rogers, seconded by McConnell to approve the February 20, 2023 minutes as written. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- APP ORD 1055-02-23B APPROVED** Moved by James, seconded by Gibbs to approve ordinance #1055-02-23B, to pay the bills for the month of February. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- CORCORAN BUILDING ISSUE** James reported the Corcoran building issue may be resolved but he needs to discuss it with Councilmember Sanson first.
- COMMUNITY GARDEN AGREEMENT** Sage presented the final draft of the Phillipsburg Community Garden Agreement for a term of one year. Moved by James, seconded by McConnell to approve the Phillipsburg Community Garden Agreement. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- CONTRACTOR LICENSING** Mayor Miles reported contractor licensing requires \$50 and proof of insurance and asked if the Council wanted to continue licensing or not. He said all contractors working in the city are required to be licensed but not everyone is complying. Discussion continued. It was the consensus of the Council to continue with contractor licensing. Clerk Gross will increase information on social media and sending letters about the requirements and will double check to see City is listed on each new insurance certificate.
- CAMPGROUND PROJECT** Driggs reported the campground project at the city park is underway and should be done by the end of March.
- PLANNING COMM.** Driggs said next Planning Commission meeting is March 15th at 5:30 p.m.

AIRPORT BOARD	Driggs said he will be forwarding recommendations from the Airport Board to the Council for review prior to discussing it at the next meeting.
AIRPORT PROJECT	Driggs said the archeology at the airport has been completed and there were no findings that should be adverse to the airport.
SPRING CLEANUP	Driggs said Spring Cleanup will be end of April, but he will confirm dates with the County and announce them at the next meeting.
AP CLERK POSITION OPEN	Clerk Gross announced the Accounts Payable Clerk is moving out of the area and the position is now open. Interested applicants can apply at the City Office or online.
P&L INSURANCE RENEWAL	Clerk Gross reported the Finance Committee and Fire Dept Committee have been working on the insurance renewal. Several requests for proposals were sent out for insurance and no other quotes were received, so will be renewing with EMC. Finance Committee will meet after Council meeting to review property values and coverages.
AVIATION POLICY RENEWAL APPROVED	Clerk Gross reported the aviation liability policy with Global Aerospace through Insurance Smart in Phillipsburg is up for renewal with an increase in premium from \$1,613 to \$1,855. Moved by James, seconded by Gibbs to renew the airport insurance with Global. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
REPORTS	Clerk Gross presented the February court report and investment report.
EXECUTIVE SESSION	Moved by James, seconded by Gibbs that the city council recess into executive session for consultation with the attorney for the city council or city for information deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(2) with the mayor, City Council, City Attorney Sage, Driggs, and Gross in attendance and the open meeting to resume in the city council chamber at 6:30 p.m. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
	Jansonius, Ross, Ellenberger, Clark, Parks, Martin, Reese, Baxter left the meeting- time 6:19 p.m.
	Jansonius, Ellenberger, Ross and Martin returned to the meeting- time 6:30 p.m. Mayor Miles called the meeting back to order and said no action was taken.
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ADJOURN

Moved by Gibbs, seconded by McConnell to adjourn- time 6:46 p.m.
Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.



Tiffini Gross, City Clerk

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