

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 15, 2023**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on May 15, 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; Pete Rogers; Tracy Sanson. ABSENT: Terry McConnell, Mike James. ALSO PRESENT: Tim & Shawn Ellenberger; Daryl Clark; Lauren Weinert; Alex Parks; S. Scott Sage, City Attorney; Rachel Martin; Kirby Ross, Phillips County Review; Tim Driggs, Director of Public Works; Brandi Spray, Assistant 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 Sanson, seconded by Harris to approve the May 1, 2023 minutes as written. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
APP ORD 1055-05-23A	Moved by Rogers, seconded by Sanson to approve ordinance #1055-05-23A to pay the bills for the month of May. Voting Aye: ALL Opposed: NONE.
PHILCHECK SERVICES	Gibbs stated that she is impressed with the way the Philcheck Services looks on State Street.
MOSQUITO SPRAYING	Gibbs said she met with both groups about the spraying of mosquitos and found it difficult to find what is a true fact and what is an assumption. She also stated that the CDC does state that the spray is not harmful to pets and humans but they could have an allergic reaction. They had decided they will all find facts this week and Gibbs will get a packet together and have the council vote at the next meeting.
CITY WIDE CLEAN UP RECAP	Miles stated that we took in 49.31 tons during city wide cleanup.
AQUATIC CENTER UPDATE	Miles stated that the Aquatic Center pool is filled and the lifeguards started training today. The concession stand was inspected and passed.
AIRPORT RUNWAY CLOSURE	Miles said that the runway closure date was moved to May 30 th and hope that it is only closed for about 4-6 weeks.
PLANNING COMMISSION	Sanson stated that the next Planning Commission meeting is May 17 th at 5:30pm.

WASTEWATER VALVE QUOTE	It was the consensus of the council to move forward with purchasing the new 8-inch wastewater valve for \$10,500 from Municipal Pipe Services before starting Phase II of the State Street project.
STATE STREET PROJECT PHASE II	Harris stated that Phase II of the State Street project will tentatively start around June 26 th .
STREET PAINTING	Harris said the paint came in last week for the street painting and crews plan to start the last week in May and are generally finished by the first week in June.
CRACK SEALING	Crack sealing should be completed sometime this week.
SPOT PATCHING	Spot patching will start next week and large patching will start mid-June.
SOFTBALL FIELD LIGHTS	Harris stated that the baseball board would like to move forward with the purchasing of the new lights for the softball field and that they have also requested a new fence for the softball field. It will be funded from the Parks and Recreations fund. Moved by Gibbs, seconded by Sanson to purchase the new lights. Voting Aye: ALL Opposed: NONE.
CODE VIOLATION ENFORCEMENT	Harris reminded everyone that the code complaint form has to be filled out and signed before any enforcements can be made. Gibbs mentioned that if you did not want your name signed on the form, you can go to the councilmember in your ward and have them file the complaint for you.
BERGLUND DRIVE CLOSING	Moved by Sanson, seconded by Gibbs to allow residents to close Berglund Drive South of Fischer Drive for a block party on the evening of Saturday June 3 rd .
EXECUTIVE SESSION	Moved by Rogers, seconded by Gibbs that the city council recess into executive session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(1) with the City Council, Mayor, and Driggs in attendance and the open meeting to resume in the city council chamber at 6:25pm. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
	Ellenbergers, Clark, Weinert, Parks, Ross, Martin, Spray, and Sage left the meeting at 6:15pm.
	Ellenbergers, Weinert, Martin, Spray, and Ross returned to the meeting at 6:25 pm.
ADJOURN	Moved by Gibbs, seconded by Sanson to adjourn – time 6:25pm. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Brandi Spray
 Brandi Spray, Assistant City Clerk

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