

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 7, 2023**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on August 7, 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 Jeanette Harris; Pete Rogers; Tracy Sanson; Mike James, Brian Shrader. ABSENT: Terry McConnell. ALSO PRESENT: Tim & Shawn Ellenberger; Lauren Weinert; Kenneth Craig; S. Scott Sage, City Attorney; Rachel Martin; Kirby Ross, Phillips County Review; Tim Driggs, Director of Public Works; Brandi Spray, City Clerk.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States was led by Mayor Bret Miles.
CITY CLERK SPRAY SWORN IN	Mayor Miles swore Spray into office.
COUNCILMEMBER SHRADER SWORN IN	Clerk Spray swore Shrader into office.
PUBLIC COMMENT	There was no public comment.
MINUTES APPROVED	Moved by James, seconded by Harris to approve the July 18th, 2023 minutes as written. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
APP ORD 1055-07-23B	Moved by James, seconded by Sanson to approve ordinance #1055-07-23B with the addition of Blue Cross Blue Shield in the amount of \$2,637.08. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
RODEO WEEKEND CLEANUP	James said that the crews did a nice job cleaning up around town before the rodeo and parade festivities took place and did a nice job with the parade.
ORDINANCE #1454 PASSED	James presented proposed ordinance amending section 14-224 entitled "Same; License Required" to allow individuals with a valid driver's license to operate a special purpose vehicle. Moved by James, seconded by Sanson to pass Ordinance #1454. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
DANGEROUS STRUCTURES	Driggs will write a letter to the owners of buildings that are deemed dangerous structures and will bring it to the city council next meeting for approval.
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING	James reported that the next Planning Commission meeting will be held August 16 th at 5:30pm where they will discuss the Health and Welfare Code and an ordinance on abandoned and vacant buildings.
MOSQUITO SURVEY	Moved by Rogers, seconded by James to have Driggs mail out a survey on

whether or not the city should spray for mosquitos next season. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

AIRPORT PROJECTS

Miles reported that the crews are working on punch list items but the runway is open. The AWOS replacement materials have been ordered and are waiting for the equipment to be delivered. He also stated that it may be a couple of years before we receive the wiring/electrial materials for the power pole relocation project at the airport but we have accepted the grant.

THERAPY POOL CLOSED

Miles stated that the therapy pool at the Aquatic Center will be closed this week due to yearly maintenance and cleaning.

AQUATIC CENTER CLOSING

Miles also reported that the Aquatic Center outdoor pool will close August 15th for the season and the guard party will be August 9th.

STREETS UPDATE

Miles said that the crews are hoping to start pouring concrete this week for the State Street Phase II project and the public works crews are still working on patching.

PUBLICATION OF RNR AND BUDGET HEARINGS

Moved by Rogers, seconded by James to publish the Notice to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing and the Budget Hearing in the newspaper with the correction of the mayor's name spelling. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

3RD STREET CLOSING FROM STATE STREET TO F STREET

Moved by James, seconded by Sanson to close 3rd Street from State Street to F Street for the Car Show on September 16th as long as there is no contesting from the business owners on that block. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

ARPA PREMIUM

Moved by Rogers, seconded by Sanson to approve giving all full-time employees ARPA Premium Pay in the amount of \$1,000. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by James, seconded by Rogers 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 City Council, Mayor, Driggs, Spray and Sage in attendance and the open meeting to resume in the city council chamber at 6:26pm. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Ellenbergers, Weinert, Craig, Martin and Ross left the meeting at 6:16pm
Ellenbergers, Weinert, Craig, Martin and Ross returned to the meeting at 6:26pm.

Mayor Miles called the meeting back to order at 6:26pm.

ADJOURN

Moved by Shrader, seconded by Harris to adjourn – time 6:26pm. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.


Brandi Spray, City Clerk

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