

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 7, 2016**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on March 7, 2016, 6:00 P.M., at the Phillipsburg City Office, 945 Second Street.

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patrick Hewitt.
- ATTENDANCE** **PRESENT:** Council members Mike James; Lynette Voorhees; Rod Innes; Travis Stites; Pete Rogers.
- ABSENT:** Council member Donna Speake.
- ALSO PRESENT:** Scott Sage, City Attorney; Tim Driggs, Public Works Supervisor; Shawn Ellenberger; Kirby Ross, Phillips County Review; Dan & Mary Price; Brenda Chance, City Clerk.
- MINUTES APPROVED** Moved by Rogers, seconded by Voorhees, to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2016 meeting as written. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #1055-02-16B** Moved by Innes, seconded by Voorhees, to approve an ordinance to pay the bills for the month of February. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE. Statutory majority having voted for this ordinance; the city clerk assigned it ordinance #1055-02-16B.
- HP M605 PRINTER MAINTENANCE** Moved by Rogers, seconded by Voorhees, to enter into the maintenance agreement for the HP M605 Printer at the term provided. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
- SERVER** Chance reported Microsoft is no longer going to support the 2003 server program. A cost for updating to the 2012 program will be provided at a later date.
- COFFEE & CONVERSATION** It was the consensus of the Council to host a Phillipsburg Chamber & Main Street Coffee & Conversation in the future.
- YARD WASTE** It was the consensus of the Council to keep the yard waste kart fee at \$9.00 for inside the city and \$13.50 outside the city.
- DUMPSTER RENT** It was the consensus of the Council to keep the dumpster rental fee at \$25/week.
- PHONE SYSTEM** Chance provided information to the Council concerning the cost of upgrading the office telephone system to a Nex-tech provided system. Chance recommended the Council consider upgrading the phone system when improvements are made to the city office building.
- AIRPORT AWARDS** The paving project at the Phillipsburg Municipal Airport recently received the following awards:
- Excellence in Paving given by the Missouri/Kansas Chapter ACPA & KDOT
2015 Municipal Concrete Award given by the Kansas Ready Mixed Concrete Association.

PUBLIC WORKS Driggs reported on work being done by the Public Works Department employees. Fire hydrant flushing will begin on Tuesday, March 8. Crews have begun cleaning sewer lines and exercising valves.

DANGEROUS STRUCTURE Driggs is obtaining prices for the removal of the structure at 262 West Maple Street.

CEMETERY Driggs reported Fred Robinson had been in contact with a monument company in Stockton who will repair headstones at the cemetery for \$800 per day. It was the consensus of the Council to spend a maximum of \$3,200 at this time. Spraying will be done in the cemetery for bindweed and cactus.

SUMMER HELP It was the consensus of the Council to hire 2 summer employees with the minimum age being 18 years old.

PLANNING COMMISSION The Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, March 8, and then again on Wednesday, March 23.

DRIGGS LEAVE Driggs was authorized to take leave on March 10-11 and the week of May 15.

WASTEWATER RATES Moved by Innes, seconded by Stites, to have a resolution prepared to increase wastewater rates by 35%, both the minimum and steps, and round the rates up to the next \$.05. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

FINANCIAL REPORTS Information was provided to the Council concerning the water and solid waste revenues and expenditures. The new format of the cash balance report was discussed.

HIGHWAY 36 Moved by Innes, seconded by Voorhees, to pay the \$36 for the annual Highway 36 Association dues. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

AIRPORT AWOS The automated weather observation station (AWOS) will need to be upgraded as the manufacture will no longer be supporting this model. No price is available for the upgrade at this time. The Council was informed of the problems with the wind monitoring.

ADJOURN Moved by Stites, seconded by James, to adjourn – time 7:02 P.M. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Brenda L Chance
Brenda L. Chance, City Clerk