

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 17, 2016**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on October 17, 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; Pete Rogers; Donna Speake; Lynette Voorhees.

ABSENT: Council members Rod Innes; Travis Stites.

ALSO PRESENT: Tim Driggs, Public Works Supervisor; Scott Sage, City Attorney; Jesse Rhea, reporter KKAN/KQMA; Kirby Ross, reporter Phillips County Review; Ron Lower, reporter The Advocate of Phillips County; Shawn Ellenberger; Peggy Fabin; Angie Wells; Gene Bugbee; Brenda Chance, City Clerk.

**PHILLIPS CO
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
\$500 SUPPORT** Gene Bugbee, representing the Phillips County Community Foundation, updated the Council about the Foundation's activities and the fundraising they are doing. Bugbee requested the Council assist the Foundation with the Lucas Maddy concert fundraiser by contributing \$500. It was the consensus of the Council to support the Foundation fundraiser.

Bugbee left the meeting.

Max Campbell, Jr. and Peggy Campbell arrived at 6:01 p.m.

805 D ST. Max Campbell, Jr. reported he had found out there were utilities located at the 805 D Street property and moving dirt on the hill cannot take place.

Campbells left the meeting.

**SHADE TREE
COMMISSION
GRANT
APPLICATION** A note from Howard King, Shade Tree Commission member, about the City applying for funding from the Phillips County Community Foundation to replace approximately 20 trees on city right-of-ways and city property was reviewed. It was the consensus of the Council to apply for the funding.

The ordinances governing the Shade Tree Commission will be reviewed to see if additional members can be added.

PCH RUN Peggy Fabin, representing Phillips County Health Systems, requested Council approval to have a race to benefit the Bone Marrow Registry beginning at the Golden Years Senior Center on Saturday, October 29th, at 8 a.m. It was the consensus of the Council to approve the race.

Fabin left at 6:11 p.m.

CHAMBER INFO Angie Wells reported the Chamber & Mainstreet will be taking over the Christmas Lighting Committee next year. Wells requested the City's assistance to check, install, and takedown the Christmas lights. Discussion was held concerning adding lights on the courthouse. The Chamber & Mainstreet will be sponsoring a Christmas lighting contest this year. Wells requested a days notice to prepare banners for installation. Discussion was held concerning clean-up of the north side entrance area. The Convention and Visitors Bureau will be considering a welcome sign on Highway 183 south of Phillipsburg.

Wells left at 6:21 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED Moved by Rogers, seconded by Speake, to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2016 meeting as written. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #1055-10-16A Moved by James, seconded by Voorhees, to approve an ordinance to pay the bills for the month of October. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE. Statutory majority having voted for this ordinance; the city clerk assigned it ordinance #1055-10-16A.

CITY ATTORNEY Sage reported on the annual city attorney's conference. Information concerning the dangerous structure procedure was provided to the Council.

PUBLIC WORKS Driggs reported on the work done by the public works department and the equipment purchased at the Richie Brother's Auction in Denver. Driggs requested an executive session be held at the end of the meeting.

PET TAGS Discussion was held concerning pet tags. It was the consensus to purchase one type of tag for both dogs and cats. Chance suggested the Council consider making changes to the pet tag ordinances to allow those who have their pets micro-chipped an exemption from purchasing an annual tag.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS An employee benefit update for the KPERS 457 plan and AFLAC will be held on December 15th. Blue Cross Blue Shield will be invited to update employees on plan benefits after the beginning of the year.

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION Rogers reported the Joint Personnel Policy Committee has been working on the employee policy updates. Rogers said the JPPC had considered holding the employee appreciation supper on December 10th at the Huck Boyd Center and having it catered. Discussion was held concerning the employee appreciation event.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Moved by James, seconded by Voorhees, to recess into executive session to discuss personnel issues of non-elected personnel to protect confidentiality until 6:51 p.m. with the City Council and Driggs present. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Ellenberger, Rhea, Ross, Lower, Sage and Chance left the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Moved by James, seconded by Voorhees, to recess into executive session to discuss personnel issues of non-elected personnel to protect confidentiality until 7:01 p.m. with the City Council and Driggs present. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Chance returned to the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

ADJOURN

Moved by Speake, seconded by Voorhees, to adjourn – time 7:03 P.M. Voting Aye:
ALL. Opposed: NONE.

Brenda L. Chance
Brenda L. Chance, City Clerk