

**CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 20, 2017**

The Phillipsburg City Council met in regular session on February 20, 2017, 6:00 P.M., at the Phillipsburg City Office, 945 Second Street.

CALL TO ORDER In the absence of the Mayor, the meeting was called to order by Council President Mike James.

ATTENDANCE **PRESENT:** Council members Mike James; Lynette Voorhees; Rod Innes; Travis Stites; Donna Speake; Pete Rogers.

ABSENT: Mayor Pat Hewitt.

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Sage, City Attorney; Tim Driggs, Public Works Supervisor Nathan Schwenn; Pam Crist; Shanea, Landon & Layton Wyatt; Shawn Ellenberger; Brenda Chance, City Clerk.

**ARMORY USE
CHEER PRACTICE** Pam Crist requested the use of the armory for high school cheerleading practice from March – June. It was the consensus of the Council to allow the use at no charge.

Kirby Ross, reporter Phillips County Review, arrived at 6:01 p.m.

**ARMORY USE
CUB SCOUTS** Landon Wyatt, representing Cub Scout Pack #126, requested the use of the armory for the Blue & Gold Banquet on March 26th with the fees waived. It was the consensus of the Council to allow the use at no charge.

Crist, Schwenn, and Wyatts left the meeting.

**MINUTES
APPROVED** Moved by Stites, seconded by Speake, to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2017 meeting with the correction of the spelling of Voorhees name. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.

**APPROPRIATION
ORDINANCE** Moved by Voorhees, seconded by Rogers, to approve an ordinance to pay the bills for the month of February with the following changes: void Cliff’s Welding check; add Midwest Energy \$112.74 airport; add Prairie Land Electric \$4,137.22 street lights and wastewater. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE. Statutory majority having voted for this ordinance; the city clerk assigned it ordinance #1055-02-17A.

**ORDINANCE
#1402
ELECTION FILING
DEADLINE** Moved by Innes, seconded by Stites, to adopt an ordinance amending Section 9 of Ordinance 1401, which pertains to filing date deadline of Governing Body; and repealing said Section 9 of Ordinance 1401 as originally adopted. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE. Statutory majority having voted for this ordinance; the city clerk assigned it Ordinance #1402.

**CITY CLERK
REPORT** Chance reported on the upcoming staff training which included:
CivicPlus Website Redesign webinar (5 hrs.) - 02/23 Tiffini & Brenda
Summit Municipal Court Program webinar (3 hrs.) - 2/28 Tiffini, Krystal, & Brenda
KS Municipal Court Assn. training, Manhattan - 4/5-7 Tiffini
Public Transit Assn. Annual Conference, Garden City - 8/14-16 Delvan

City Clerk's Annual Conference, Wichita – 3/14-17 Brenda

TREE CITY	The City has been award the Tree City USA award for 2016. This is the 30 th year the city has received the award.
CITY OFFICE	Driggs reported the cost to have an architect provide the necessary information for a Community Development Block Grant application to update the city office would be \$3,000. Moved by Rogers, seconded by Innes, to move forward with the \$3,000. Voting Aye: Voorhees; Innes; Rogers. Opposed: James; Stites; Speake. The motion failed.
PUBLIC WORKS	Driggs reported on activities of the public works department.
SEMS TRAINING	It was the consensus of the Council to close the city office on February 28 th so all employees could attend the SEMS training.
SPRING CLEAN-UP	It was the consensus of the Council have the annual spring clean-up the week of April 24 th .
SPEED LIMIT 2 nd STREET	Discussion was held concerning the 20 mph speed limit on 2 nd Street and moving the sign to D Street. The change would require amending the ordinance. It was the consensus of the Council to leave the ordinance as is.
DANGEROUS STRUCTURES	It was the consensus of the Council to begin the dangerous structure process for the houses at 376 6 th street and 467 6 th street.
BRETTON INS	Driggs reported the Bretton house had been cleaned up since the fire. Moved by Innes, seconded by Stites, to pay Jacque Bretton her fire insurance money held by the city. Voting Aye: ALL. Opposed: NONE.
SHADE TREE	Driggs reported the Shade Tree Committee is requesting the Council consider creating a tree farm at the southwest corner of the cemetery. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Council that a tree farm would not be created at this time.
ICE/SNOW POLICY	Discussion was held concerning the draft ice and snow removal policy. The Council found the policy to be acceptable.
AIRPORT EMERGENCY	The airport board will be meeting to provide input concerning the airport emergency policy for the Council.
PIO	It was the consensus of the Council that the city clerk is to serve as the public information officer for the ice and snow policy and the airport emergency policy.
MAINTENANCE PROGRAM	Driggs provided the Council information concerning the preventative maintenance program that is being initiated.
SUMMER EMPLOYMENT	The Council authorized the hiring of lifeguards for the summer pool season, 1 public works summer employee, and 1 summer employee to work on the street inventory project.
PLANNING	The Planning Commission will meet March 15.

LAW ENFORCE. James reported Sheriff Radabaugh has requested to meet with the city law
COMMITTEE enforcement committee.

UTILITY The utility review will be held at the next meeting.

ADJOURN Moved by Stites, seconded by Speake, to adjourn time – 7:00 p.m.

Brenda L. Chance

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