

**MEETING MINUTES
OF THE PHILLIPS VILLAGE BOARD
May 14, 2026**

The special meeting for the Phillips Village Board was called to order at 7:00 P. M. by Chairperson Benton on Thursday, May 14, 2026, in the Town Hall in Phillips, Nebraska.

The following Trustees answered at roll call:

Dorothy Benton, Chairperson

Jim Crawford

Jordan Watson

Les Dana

John Briseno

Chairperson Benton states, the Open Meeting Act Laws are posted on the south wall of the Town Hall.

The special meeting is held on application for Hamilton County Planning and Zoning permit, 17 11 8 LOTS 23&24 BLK 18 PHILLIPS ORG TWN 2; Co-Ed league and potential use of fire barn bays off the Town Hall for June 2, 2026 meeting for public attendance.

Chairperson Benton moves to discuss the May 5, 2026, tabled zoning permit to obtain advice from the Village Attorney regarding the conditional use permit and the expiration or lapse of that permit 12 months after the issue date, which was May 6, 2025. The Village Attorney advises that the language of the regulations indicates that the phrase commencing use means there has to be an actual building or actual use that was applied for being done on the property by the end of those 12 months. All board members were provided his email with the information on the legal research and what his comments were.

Further discussion was paused for applicant's questions. Chairperson Benton, offers a brief explanation on the conditional use permit being expired or lapsed; therefore, the actual application to build cannot be heard. The applicant will need to re-apply for a conditional use permit with Hamilton County Planning and Zoning. Once that process is completed, the Village Clerk will be notified and it will be placed on the Agenda for the Board to review.

Chairperson Benton moves to discuss tabled adult Co-Ed League. Interested party, Ron King is present. Trustee Crawford offers the information he received from the ball program and availability of the fields outside of youth ball. Brief discussion held on number of teams, play nights and cost per team.

Motion by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Watson to approve adult Co-Ed League sponsored by Mr. King on a schedule determined to work for all parties. Voting aye: Crawford, Watson, Dana, Briseno and Benton. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Open Public Discussion held. Maintenance Superintendent is present to discuss the condition of the park sprinklers and the need to purchase new. Also briefly discussed both wells rotation and repairs.

No further public comments.

Chairperson Benton, requests input from the Trustees on the meeting room requirements for the June 2, 2026 meeting and the anticipated number of public attendance. Brief discussion held.

Motion by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Briseno to adjourn. Voting aye: Crawford, Watson, Dana, Briseno and Benton. Voting nay: none. Motion carried and meeting adjourns at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Doris M. Arnett, Clerk/Treasurer Village of Phillips