

REGULAR HARVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, May 14th, 2025, 5:30p.m.
City Hall

Note: All motions unanimously passed unless otherwise stated.

Key: M-Motion, MS-Motion Second, VV-Voice Vote, RCV- Roll Call Vote, MC-Motion Carried

The Harvey City Council met at City Hall on Wednesday, May 14th, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Present were Mayor Dean Klier, Council Members Milo Baltrusch, Donnie Hoepfer, Gil Steedsman, Kerry Susag, and Gary Kennedy. Also present were City Auditor Karen Nordby, Public Works Director Jamey Weinmann, JDA Director Spencer Marchand, Police Chief John Foss, and Terri Powers. Absent Council Member Mike Prom.

VISITORS: Josh Feil with Moore Engineering, Dave Voeller & Jim Dillow with Ottertail Power Co., Chad Reimche, Brentt Roberts, Daniel Nannenga, Jacob Anderson, and Keith Holzer.

Mayor Klier opened the regular Council Meeting.

MINUTES: M by Baltrusch, MS by Hoepfer to approve the minutes from the regular April 9th, 2025, meeting. Upon VV, MC.

CASH REPORT: M by Hoepfer, MS by Baltrusch to approve the Auditor's Cash Report as submitted with April revenue of \$203,347.79. Upon RCV, MC.

VOUCHERS: M by Hoepfer, MS by Baltrusch to approve the vouchers with expenses of AT & T Mobility 377.78, B&B Service & Repair 288.88, Cashwa Fargo 665.27, Cherie Heisler 23.80, City of Harvey 557.94, Comfort Inn 198, Dacotah Paper Co. 193.92, Dave O'Kelley 237.20, Don Fuglem 2500, Double M Sanitation 24834, Galls Inc. 183.94, Grand Forks Fire Equip. LLC 10131.10, Harvey City Band 500, Harvey Oil Co. 3286.20, Harvey Park District 1616.89, Harvey Public School 2500, Harvey Tax Accounting & Financial 125, HAV-IT Recycling 1267, High Plains Equip. 420.06, Hinrich's Super Value 1290.14, Holzer Elec. LLC 1882.80, Hometown Variety 13.26, Information Tech. 49.70, Jim Frueh 59.30, John E. Reid & Assoc. 1260, Kevin's Landscaping 400, KHND 200, Kim Johnson 300, KLJ Engineering 3000, Kotaco 2695.60, Leever's Foods 553.60, Lemer's Ace 287.35, Little Mart 194.38, Mid-American Research Chem. 144.96, Napa Auto Parts 303.73, ND Dept. of Health 75.73, ND Dept. of Health/Microbiology 54, NDTC 3076.25, Network Center 10618.05, Nuline Ins. 35127, Nyhus Law Firm 2950, One Call Concepts 16.50, Ottertail Power Co. 8652.19, Patzer Truck Repair 952.39, Pro Tech Integrations 1092.50, Rath & Meher P.C. 13500, Rough Rider Industries 185.82, RV Enterprises 36500, Spencer Marchand 2171.88, Stein's Inc. 154.12, Systems Tech. 540, Terri Powers 9.36, Tom's Home Furnishings 5169.25, Top-Notch Outdoor Services 485, Tractor Supply Co. 80.97, Trifectah Solutions 257.50, Turtle Mtn. League 500, Uniform Center 24.99, Unum Life Ins. 187.21, USPS 311.56, Verendrye Elec. 273, Verizon 255.12, Vessco Inc. 391.43, Vestis 418.41, Visa 2461.76, Wells Co. Treasurer 2300, Zions Bank 400, & April Payroll \$104,077.71. Upon RCV, MC.

VISITORS: Josh Feil with Moore Engineering presented a proposal for the Council to perform a Water System Study. They would start with grant writing. Josh explained DWR had grants available up to \$70,000 and USDA had grants of \$35,000 leaving the city's portion 10% approx. \$12,000. The study would identify any issues with the Water Department, which should be done every 20 years. M by Hoepfer, MS by Steedsman to approve Moore's proposal and authorize the City Auditor to work with Moore Engineering to develop and submit a preconstruction cost share application to the Department of Water Resources and the USDA PPG. Upon VV, MC.

Dave Voeller and Jim Dillow with Ottertail Power Co. requested approval of Ordinance #25-01 granting to the Ottertail Power Co., a Minnesota Co., its successors and assigns, permission to erect, construct, install, and maintain within the City of Harvey, an electric light and power system and transmission lines and to operate the same and to install conduits, poles, wires, pipes, and other fixtures in, upon and under the streets, alleys, bridges, and public grounds of said City for the purpose of furnishing electric light, heat, and power to said City and the inhabitants thereof. M by Baltrusch, MS by Susag approved the first reading of the ordinance. Upon VV, MC.

M by Baltrusch, MS by Kennedy to approve the first reading of the ordinance to amend the Midcontinent Franchise Agreement whereas Midcontinent Communications (Midco) holds a communications franchise for the construction and operation of a communications system within the City of Harvey, Wells Co., North Dakota and whereas, said City and Midco have mutually agreed to amend the Franchise by adopting this Ordinance Amendment No. 1 and to make such other changes as are mutually agreed upon. Upon VV, MC. Chad Reimche was there to ask the Council for permission for the Peaceful Valley Golf Course to build a 30x30 cart shed and expanded the driving range tee zone on the City owned property by the Water Treatment Plant. The consensus of the Council was to have them first ask the township what the setbacks would be and if they would allow it. If allowed, they will bring it back to the Council for further discussion.

JDA REPORT: JDA Director Marchand's report was in the packet for the Council to review. He informed the Council that the JDA meetings will take place on the Tuesday before the City Council Meetings going forward. Top-Notch Outdoor Services will be taking care of the flowers again for the 2025 season. We have been billed for the slum/blight demolition and are waiting for reimbursement.

JDA MINUTES: JDA Minutes from the regular April 22nd, 2025, meeting was included in the packet for the Council to review.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Foss's report was in the packet for the Council to review. Officer Clark will be enforcing the city ordinances as needed now that he is on duty full time after completing the Academy. Chief Foss updated the Council on his current cases and stated that calls for service were down last month.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Public Works Director Weinmann's report was in the packet for the Council to review. M by Baltrusch, MS by Susag to approve having SVL come and inspect the furnace at the armory and restore it on one of our computers so Keller Plumbing & Heating can monitor it. The cost of the service is \$1200/day. Upon VV, MC. M by Hoepfer, MS by Steedsman approved the detector for the Microchlor unit for \$782.65 plus shipping. Upon VV, MC. M by Steedsman, MS by Kennedy approved donation of gravel to the Harvey Park Board for the West Side Park, Susag Sand and Gravel will delivery for no charge. Upon VV, MC. The crew has been working on cleaning up the HaRvey Campground for the upcoming season.

AUDITOR REPORT: Nordby's report and the financials were in the packet for the Council to review. She included the 2024 Audit Report. M by Baltrusch, MS by Kennedy approved the annual audit. Upon VV, MC. Mayor Klier informed the Council that the new sound system for the armory will be installed this coming Tuesday. M by Susag, MS by Steedsman to approve the quote for \$3215.10 to purchase 60 padded, stackable chairs to add to the 60 that were purchased with grant money last year. Upon VV, MC. She included a letter from the Park Board stating that they will be charging the Rec Board \$1500/year for the use of their facilities due to the added cost of water.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ARMORY UPDATE: M by Steedsman, MS by Baltrusch to approve the quote from Mid-Dakota Lumber for \$35,748.65 for materials to update the south side of the Armory. Upon RCV, MC. Mayor Klier opened the bids for the armory remodel. M by Hoepfer, MS by Kennedy to accept the low bid from K&S Builders for \$38,500, which included disposal of materials and tape, texture, and painting the inside south wall to be completed by the spring of 2026. Upon RCV, MC.

Mayor Klier opened the bids for the City of Harvey's stoplight. M by Kennedy, MS by Baltrusch to accept the bid from Gil Steedsman in the amount of \$428. Upon VV, MC with Steedsman abstaining.

NEW BUSINESS:

LOCAL EVENT PERMIT: M by Baltrusch, MS by Susag to approve the local event permit for the New Rockford Eagles Aux. to conduct a raffle provided all gaming rules and regulations are followed. Upon VV, MC.

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SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT: M by Baltrusch, MS by Susag to approve the special event permit for the First International Bank to block off parking on Lincoln Ave. in front of the bank for their customer appreciation event. Upon VV, MC.

DESIGNATE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER: M by Steedsman, MS by Kennedy to designate the Herald Press as the official newspaper. Upon VV, MC.

COMPLAINT FORM: Consensus of the Council is to send a letter to the perpetrator via the Harvey P.D. and follow the steps to remedy the situation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES: Airport Minutes from the bid opening April 16th, 2025, meeting, the special April 24th, 2025, meeting and the regular May 1st, 2025, meeting were included in the packet for the Council to review.

With no further business, Mayor Klier adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Dean Klier, Mayor

Karen Nordby, Auditor