

REGULAR HARVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, January 14th, 2026, 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, January 14th, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

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

VISITORS: Melissa Anderson, Mark Friedt, Wyatt Toso, Kelli Tipton, Charlotte Goldade, Jason Beck, Cayle Paulson, Niki Hase, Kayla Wolfe, Alicia Hase, Mike Leier, and Melissa Faul.

Mayor Klier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Klier opened the Regular City Council Meeting.

MINUTES: M by Baltrusch, MS by Kennedy to approve the minutes of the regular December 10th, 2025, meeting. Upon VV, MC.

CASH REPORT: M by Hoepfer, MS by Susag to approve the Auditor's Cash Report as submitted with December revenue of \$223,839.68. Upon RCV, MC.

VOUCHERS: M by Hoepfer, MS by Susag to approve the vouchers with expenses of 4U Custom Apparel 1293.97, Arthur Co. 75, AT&T Mobility 191.29, Aqua-Pure Inc. 2475, B&B Service & Repair 90, Caitlyn Roemmich 187.20, Cherie Heisler 300, City of Harvey 20293.72, Dacotah Paper Co. 181.94, Dakota Heritage Bank 4030, Dave O'Kelley 300, Double M Sanitation 24448, Eagles Club 604, First International Bank 1650, First State Bank 5347.50, Grand Forks Fire Equip. 995.64, Harvey Area Chamber of Commerce 60, Harvey Oil Co. 1821.30, Harvey Park District 1623.91, HAV-IT Recycling 1250.50, Hawkins Inc. 3368.55, Heilman Elec. 7561.59, Hinrich's Super Value 1032.43, Hometown Variety 40.49, Integrity Auctioneers 390, Interstate Power Systems 5148.18, Jamey Weinmann 265.99, John Deere Financial 582.91, John Donarski 300, Karen Nordby 360, Keller Plumbing & Heating 315, Kenny Erickson 130.65, KHND Radio 55, Kim Johnson 200, Kotaco 5967.90, Leever's Foods 150.95, Lemer's Ace 162.89, Little Mart 222.40, Main Street Designs 965, Matthew Pratt 300, MFOA 80, Miller Clothing 220, Moore Engineering 1552.50, Napa Auto Parts 690.15, ND Dept. of Health 20.39, ND Dept. of Health/Microbiology 54, ND League of Cities 1775, NDTc 1542.03, Network Center 1978.50, Nyhus Law 400, One Call Concepts 1.50, Patriot Fire & Safety 488.35, Patzer Truck Repair 96.12, Swanston Equip. 592.10, Terri Powers 300, Top-Notch Outdoor Services 2731.45, Tractor Supply Co. 279.72, USPS 331.59, Verendrye Elec. 157, Vessco 422.11, Vestis 292.86, Visa 825.24, Wells Co. Treasurer 49820.02, Wrap Technologies 8022.32, & December Payroll \$145,597.56. Upon RCV, MC.

VISITORS: Mike Leier with the Harvey Park Board requested adding a 1% sales tax for the next 10 years to fund the new Harvey Swimming Pool Project. The consensus of the Council is for them to move forward with their plans. It will be added to the election ballot in June of 2026.

Representatives from Dakota Heritage Bank and First International Bank were in attendance for one last discussion about the bids they submitted for handling the City of Harvey's money. After discussion from both banks and the Council Members, a motion was made by Baltrusch and seconded by Kennedy to keep the funds at Dakota Heritage. Upon RCV, with Baltrusch, Kennedy, and Susag voting aye; Hoepfer, Steedsman, Prom voting nay; Mayor Klier voting nay as a tie breaker, the motion was not passed. M by Prom, MS by Hoepfer to move the City of Harvey's money to First International Bank. Upon RCV, with Baltrusch, Kennedy, and Susag voting nay; Prom, Hoepfer, Steedsman voting aye, Mayor Klier voting aye as a tie breaker, MC.

JDA REPORT: N/A

JDA MINUTES: N/A. January meeting was cancelled due to low attendance.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Foss's report was in the packet for the Council to review. He informed the Council that calls for service were holding steady and there have been no felonies for three months. He included a quote from WRAP for BolaWrap 150 with Blackhawk Retention Holster/Belt plus additional accessories and training for \$8022.32. Chief Foss would like to replace the departments tasers with the BolaWrap as it is used as a restraint and doesn't cause any pain. M by Hoepfer, MS by Susag to approve. Upon VV, MC with Steedsman voting nay. Chief Foss stated that he received multiple calls on New Year's due to the fireworks. Auditor Nordby had included the ordinance 4.0505 in the packet. M by Baltrusch, MS by Steedsman to change the hours and days of use to December 31st from 8 p.m. until January 1st at 12:30 a.m. Upon VV, MC.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Public Works Director Weinmann's report was in the packet for the Council to review. They discussed the additional bids he received for the new dump truck. M by Hoepfer, MS by Prom to approve the bid from Westlie Ford for \$113,644 for a 2027 Ford F750 with a dump box. Upon RCV, MC. M by Baltrusch, MS by Steedsman to approve the repair for the sweeper for \$1524. Upon VV, MC.

AUDITOR REPORT: Nordby's report and the financials were in the packet for the Council to review. She has completed the Year End Financial Packet and has been working on the ordinances. M by Baltrusch, MS by Susag for a resolution giving Auditor Karen Nordby authority to make decisions regarding borrowing money and making decisions on credit cards. Upon VV, MC. Our IT provider would like to set up a Multifactor Authentication as added protection for Cyber Security. It would cost \$3640.70 to set up. M by Susag, MS by Hoepfer to approve. Upon VV, MC. She included an estimate from Network Center to rebuild our website for \$7000. Our current website is hard to navigate. M by Hoepfer, MS by Baltrusch to approve. Upon VV, with Hoepfer, Baltrusch, and Susag voting aye; Prom, Kennedy, and Steedsman voting nay; Mayor Klier voting nay as the tie breaker, the motion did not pass. After some discussion, the consensus of the Council is to present it again in two months. Nordby discussed sewer rates. The City of Harvey increased rates in 2009 by \$1.50 and had an increase of \$1.00 in 2024. The expenditures are more than the revenue it is generating. M by Steedsman, MS by Hoepfer to raise the sewer rate by \$1/month for all accounts. Upon VV, MC with Kennedy voting nay.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ARMORY UPDATE: Karen is working with the architectural firm and has been in contact with K & S on the timeline for the front of the building.

NEW BUSINESS:

DESIGNATE DEPOSITORIES OF PUBLIC FUNDS: M by Baltrusch, MS by Hoepfer to designate the First State Bank, First International Bank, Dakota Heritage Bank and Bank of North Dakota as the depositories of public funds which meet pledge security requirements. Upon VV, MC.

APPROVE SALE OF ALL CITY PROPERTY: M by Steedsman, MS by Kennedy to approve the sale of all real property owned by the City of Harvey upon bid acceptance by the City Council. Upon VV, MC.

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT: Melissa Faul with Home Town Tavern was present to ask the Council to allow her to transfer her liquor license to the Harvey Armory for a pool tournament. M by Baltrusch, MS by Hoepfer to approve the Special Event Permit providing nothing is stated in the City ordinances that prohibits alcohol in the City Armory. Upon VV, MC.

LOCAL EVENT PERMIT: M by Baltrusch, MS by Susag to approve the Local Event Permit for HWC/Swat Wrestling to conduct a raffle February 12th, 2026, provided all gaming rules and regulations are followed. Upon VV, MC.

RESTRICTED EVENT PERMIT: M by Susag, MS by Steedsman to approve the Restricted Event Permit for Ethan Karlsbraaten to conduct a poker tournament February 28th, 2026, provided all gaming rules and regulations are followed. Upon VV, MC.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS: M by Baltrusch, MS by Hoepfer to accept the Finance Committee's recommendation to approve the Transfers and Budget Amendments as submitted. Upon RCV, MC.

CITY OF HARVEY					
2025					
ORIGINAL BUDGET			AMENDED REVENUE	AMENDED EXPENDITURES	Difference
\$	4,205,000.00		\$ 4,466,911.08	\$ 3,906,635.10	\$ 560,275.98
2025 REVENUE BUDGET AMENDMENTS					
Fund	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDMENTS	AMENDED BUDGET		
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT FUND					
General Fund		\$ -	\$ -		
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS					
Harvey Community Development	\$ 245,000.00	\$ 33,719.51	\$ 278,719.51		
Infrastructure	\$ 260,000.00	\$ 115,047.15	\$ 375,047.15		
CVB	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 16,758.93	\$ 29,758.93		
Prairie Dog/American Recovery	\$ -	\$ 236,797.77	\$ 236,797.77		
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS					
Street Impr 2016	\$ 615,000.00	\$ 6,804.67	\$ 621,804.67		
Water & Sewer Extension 2004	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00		
Special Asst. WTP	\$ 158,000.00	\$ 30,110.71	\$ 188,110.71		
Sidewalk Project	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,909.01	\$ 8,909.01		
Water Tower Specials-35	\$ -	\$ 30.22	\$ 30.22		
RESERVES					
Street Repair	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		
Land Development	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 22,917.00	\$ 36,917.00		
OTHER FUNDS					
Library	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 12,948.82	\$ 127,948.82		
Babe Ruth	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 99.97	\$ 7,099.97		
Economic Development	\$ -	\$ 10,340.76	\$ 10,340.76		
Band	\$ -	\$ 532.75	\$ 532.75		
Mosquito Control	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 600.46	\$ 10,800.46		
Water	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 22,322.51	\$ 422,322.51		
Water Main Replacement Phase II	\$ 129,000.00	\$ 4,784.14	\$ 133,784.14		
Water Main Replacement	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 43,007.26	\$ 50,007.26		
Garbage	\$ 340,000.00	\$ 22,218.13	\$ 362,218.13		
Other FUNDS Under Budget	\$ 1,885,800.00	\$ -	\$ 2,248,386.87		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 4,205,000.00		\$ 4,474,011.05		
2025 EXPENDITURE BUDGET AMENDMENTS					
Fund	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDMENTS	AMENDED BUDGET	REVENUE RECEIVED	DIFFERENCE
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT FUND					
General Fund	\$ 770,000.00	\$ 58,782.72	\$ 828,782.72	\$ 761,165.22	\$ (67,617.50)
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS					
Prairie Dog Fund/American Recovery	\$ -	\$ 259.90	\$ 259.90	\$ 236,797.77	\$ 236,537.87
CVB	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 5,065.90	\$ 18,065.90	\$ 29,758.93	\$ 11,693.03
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS					
Sidewalk Project- 34	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,323.17	\$ 11,323.17	\$ 8,909.01	\$ (2,414.16)
RESERVES					
Water Improvements	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 45,739.85	\$ 50,839.85	\$ -	\$ (50,839.85)
Customer Insurance	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 2,347.00	\$ 3,367.00	\$ -	\$ (3,367.00)
OTHER FUNDS					
Emergency Fund	\$ 2,040.00	\$ 960.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,975.00	\$ (1,025.00)
Babe Ruth	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 99.97	\$ 7,099.97	\$ 7,099.97	\$ -
Library	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 23,275.40	\$ 138,275.40	\$ 127,948.82	\$ (10,326.58)
Cent Park Project	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 9,109.55	\$ 10,109.55	\$ -	\$ (10,109.55)
Mosquito Control	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 13,069.96	\$ 23,269.96	\$ 10,800.46	\$ (12,469.50)
Waterworks Sinking Fund	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 3,971.00	\$ 63,971.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ (27,971.00)
Sewer Fund	\$ 132,000.00	\$ 24,363.31	\$ 156,363.31	\$ 121,118.43	\$ (35,244.88)
Garbage	\$ 340,000.00	\$ 55,583.44	\$ 395,583.44	\$ 362,218.13	\$ (33,365.31)
Airport Fund	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 3,279.29	\$ 49,279.29	\$ 39,349.48	\$ (9,929.81)
Other FUNDS Under Budget	\$ 2,697,640.00	\$ -	\$ 2,147,044.64	\$ 2,723,769.86	\$ 576,725.22
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,205,000.00		\$ 3,906,635.10	\$ 4,466,911.08	

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SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS						
Street Impr 2016	\$ 615,000.00	\$ 6,804.67	\$ 621,804.67			\$ (5,000.00)
Water & Sewer Extension 2004	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00			\$ (135,000.00)
Special Asst. WTP	\$ 158,000.00	\$ 30,110.71	\$ 188,110.71			\$ (36,000.00)
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Water Tower Specials-35	\$ -	\$ 30.22	\$ 30.22			\$ -
RESERVES						
Street Repair	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00			\$ -
Land Development	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 22,917.00	\$ 36,917.00			\$ -
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Other FUNDS Under Budget	\$ 2,697,640.00	\$ -	\$ 2,147,044.64	\$ 2,723,769.86	\$ 576,725.22	\$ (40,000.00)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,205,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,906,635.10	\$ 4,466,911.08		
Reserve for Police Equipment	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	Reserve for Police Equip	\$ -		
Side Walk Project	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	Side Walk Project	\$ -		
Special Assessment Ball Park	\$ -	\$ 35,000.00	Special Assessment BP	\$ -		
Reserve for Fire Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	Reserve for Fire Equipment	\$ 9,000.00		
TOTAL TRANSFER	\$ 7,606,840.00	\$ 6,952,531.69		\$ 446,308.99	\$ -	

OTHER: A few Harvey residents were inquiring about putting a batting cage in the City Armory. The consensus of the Council is that it would not be a good idea. A pilot flying over the water tower asked if the

light on top of the water tower was not functioning. Jamey will have one of his crew investigate it. Mayor Klier would like to know who owns the gymnastics equipment in the Armory and if we could get rid of it to free up space. South Central Regional Council called Karen and asked that we appoint someone to the Wells County JDA. Council Member Hoepfer volunteered.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HARVEY WELLS COUNTY LIBRARY MINUTES: Library minutes from the regular November 19th and 20th, December 17th, 2025, meetings were included in the packet for the Council to review.

AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES: Airport Minutes from the regular December 11th, 2025, meeting was included in the packet for the Council to review.

With no further business, Mayor Klier adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Dean Klier, Mayor

Karen Nordby, Auditor