

REGULAR HARVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, April 12th, 2023, 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, April 12th, 2023, at 5:30p.m.

Present were Mayor Rick Eckart, Council Members Shelley Svoboda, Milo Baltrusch, Ann Adams, Kerry Susag, and Arnie Selzler. Also, present were Auditor Karen Nordby, Public Works Director Kenny Erickson, JDA Director Spencer Marchand, Chief of Police Mike Zuber, and Terri Powers. Council Member Quincy Marchand was present via Zoom.

VISITORS: County Assessor Jana Hopkins, Denise Harding, County Commissioner Stan Buxa, Fire Chief Ryan Schneibel, Scott Arends, Daniel Deck, Police Officer Spencer Volk, Pastor Harold Chin, Giovanni Chin, Trisha Zuber, Brian Argabright, Willy Schilling, and Shelley Chin.

TAX EQUILIZATION MEETING:

Mayor Eckart called the Tax Equalization Meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pastor Chin performed the invocation.

Assessor Hopkins went over the complications of assessing commercial properties. She expressed her frustration and asked if the Mayor and a City Council Member along with a County Commissioner would be willing to accompany her during an assessment of commercial property to better understand what she is dealing with. The Council said they would be open to going along. Jana answered questions from the visitors in attendance. She informed the Council of the properties that had their tax exemptions expire and where she valued them. M by Baltrusch, MS by Adams to accept the values as presented. Upon RCV, MC. M by Adams, MS by Svoboda to approve the increases and tax credits as submitted. Upon RCV, MC with Marchand voting nay. M by Selzler, MS by Svoboda to keep commercial values the same as 2022. Upon RCV, MC with Marchand voting nay.

With no further business, Mayor Eckart adjourned the Board of Tax Equalization Meeting.

Mayor Eckart opened the Regular Meeting.

M by Baltrusch, MS by Selzler to approve the appointment of Kerry Susag to the Harvey City Council. Upon VV, MC.

Fire Chief Ryan Schneibel was present to ask the Council about the budget for their department and any grant money that may be available. They discussed the needs of the department and their concerns about the current fire hall. They presented the Council with an estimate from Patriot Fire & Safety Inc. for \$15,630.45 to replace the tank on the 1990 pumper truck. M by Baltrusch, MS by Adams to approve the repair. Upon RCV, MC. They informed the Council of the \$30K donation that they received from the Harvey Eagles Club. They used the money to purchase new extraction tools, thermal imaging, and a battery powered fan.

JDA REPORT: JDA Director Marchand's report was in the packet for the Council to review. He updated the Council on the meetings he had in the month of March and the ongoing developments he is currently working on. He informed them of a USDA grant that could potentially benefit a single family that has been affected from damage due to this season's large snow amounts.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Zuber presented the Council with his report. Officer Spencer Volk was sworn into office by Mayor Eckart. He informed the Council of potential hires to fill the last open position with the P.D. Officer Denning will graduate from LETA on June 9th, 2023.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Public Works Director Erickson's report was in the packet for the Council to review. M by Adams, MS by Svoboda to change the lights on Lincoln Ave. to LED. Upon VV, MC. He informed the Council that he is checking the status of the generator. He stated that a maintenance agreement on the generators would be \$850/year. M by Svoboda, MS by Selzler to get a maintenance agreement on all the generators. Upon VV, MC.

AUDITOR REPORT: Nordby's report and the financials were in the packet for the council to review. She went over Moore Engineering's report with the Council. Susag Sand and Gravel will be starting construction on the Centennial Park Rec Trail when the ground dries. We received two proposals for an Environmental Assessment for the Control Panel Improvements. M by Marchand, MS by Svoboda to award Blacktrail Environmental Inc. the job for \$3,350. Upon VV, MC. Pipe Detectives will be televising the sewers soon.

MINUTES: M by Marchand, MS by Baltrusch to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on March 8th, 2023. Upon VV, MC.

CASH REPORT: M by Marchand, MS by Baltrusch to approve the Auditor's Cash Report as submitted with March revenue of \$548,712.39. Upon RCV, MC.

VOUCHERS: M by Marchand, MS by Baltrusch to approve the vouchers with expenses of Aramark 315.94, Arnie Selzler 44.54, B&B Service & Repair 112.36, Black Mountain Software 100, Cherie Heisler 179.10, Cole Papers 52.36, Core & Main 1053.24, Dakota Fire Extinguishers 266.43, Dale's Radiator & Repair 1176, Dave O'Kelley 206.65, Double E Designs 297.50, 4U Custom Apparel 25,000, Fire Equipment Co. 459.50, Fischer, Round & Associates 4837, Gaffaney's of Minot 943, Geri Salisbury 75, Grand Forks Fire Equip. 2029.14, Hach Co. 32.18, Harvey Area Chamber of Commerce 3500, Harvey Oil Co. 12,594.85, Harvey Park District 1761.30, Harvey Tax, Accounting, & Financial 125, HAV-IT Recycling 1620, HAV-IT Services 307, Herald Press 633.69, High Plains Equip. 2304.79, Hinrich's Super Value 1037.58, Hometown Variety 135.28, Information Tech. 57.75, Jamey Weinmann 217.15, John Deere Financial 1086.25, Karen Nordby 234.18, Kenny Erickson 66.88, Kotaco 5547.10, Lemer's Ace 747.68, Linda Joern 4000, Little Mart 682.79, Mid-American Research Chemical 572.41, Mid Dakota Lumber 243.71, Midee Auto 997.73, Miller Clothing 95, Moore Engineering 9717.50, Napa Auto Parts 235.63, ND Health & Human Services 90, ND Dept. of Health/Microbiology 100, ND Dept. of Health 55.62, ND League of Cities 400, NDTC 1503.96, Northern Prairie Mechanical 184.30, Nyhus Law Firm 1835, Ottertail Power Co. 17,268.49, Patriot Fire & Safety 837.55, Perfection Auto 165, Radisson Hotel Bismarck 345.60, Rick Eckart 22.27, Schultz Engine & Machine 342.74, Shelley Svoboda 22.27, Spencer Marchand 144.10, Tractor Supply Co. 80.51, Transunion Risk & Alternative 75, Trifectah Solutions 264.69, Tyler Denning 219.62, Unum Life Ins. Co. 250.74, USPS 297.41, Verendrye Electric Coop 137.36, Verizon 444.44, Vessco Inc. 268.67, Visa 8207.45, Warehouse Grocery 405.13, Waste Management 7623.30, Wells Co. Fair 100, Zions Bank 407,651.50, and March Payroll \$143,911.35. Upon RCV, MC.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ARMORY UPDATE: Moore Engineering has submitted more paperwork for the application. South Central Regional Council will be our fiscal sponsor.

UPDATE COMMITTEE LIST: Tabled until next month.

HAV-IT RECYCLING: Tabled until next month.

HARVEY DAM: Update for the Harvey dam is Wells Co. Water Board has tabled the project and will not be moving forward. The preliminary report is that it currently doesn't meet any standards.

BID OPENING: M by Adams, MS by Marchand to accept the bid from Gil Steedsman in the amount of \$101 for the purchase of Block 4, lot 1 of the Frueh's Addition and the bid from Travis Olschlager in the amount of \$10K for the purchase of Boyum Replat of Lot A & B Block 2 except pt of S Park Addition Lot 6 Block 1 .026 ac located on vacated cul-de-sac with the current specials paid in full. Upon VV, MC.

NEW BUSINESS:

LIBRARY BOARD: M by Baltrusch, MS by Selzler to approve the appointment of Mary Jo Stafford to the Harvey Library Board. Upon VV, MC.

LEASE AGREEMENT: M by Baltrusch, MS by Svoboda to approve the lease agreement between the City of Harvey and Circus Wonderland for June 5th, 2023, with the stipulation that there are no animals involved. Upon VV, MC.

LEMER'S GREENHOUSE: Lemer's Ace Hardware requested use of the parking lot at the corner of 10th Street and Lincoln Ave. to assemble a greenhouse. M by Adams, MS by Selzler to approve the rental of the lot from April 23rd, 2023, until June 11th, 2023. They will need to make sure the lot is cleaned once the greenhouse is taken down. Upon VV, MC.

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT: M by Baltrusch, MS by Adams to approve the special event permit for Diane Martin for the use of Centennial Park on July 2nd, 2023, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. for a family picnic. Upon VV, MC.

GAMING SITE AUTHORIZATION: M By Adams, MS by Baltrusch to approve the Gaming Site Authorization for the Senior Community Club to conduct bingo at the Harvey Senior Center provided all gaming rules and regulations are followed. Upon VV, MC.

GAMING SITE AUTHORIZATIONS: M by Baltrusch, MS by Svoboda to approve the Site Authorizations for the Wells Aerie #3080 FOE to conduct games at B-52 Roadhouse & Lanes, Krafty's Bar & Grill, and Harvey Eagles Club provided all gaming rules and regulations are followed. Upon VV, MC.

LOCAL EVENT PERMIT: M by Adams, MS by Baltrusch to approve the Local Event Permit for the Senior Community Club provided all gaming rules and regulations are followed. Upon VV, MC.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: M by Adams, MS by Baltrusch to approve the renewal of the Conditional Use Permit for Amy Arnold to conduct massage therapy in her home at 312 Desmet Ave. Upon VV, MC.

ARBOR DAY PROCAMATION: M by Baltrusch, MS by Svoboda to dispense with the reading and approve the Arbor Day Proclamation for May 16th, 2023. Upon VV, MC.

M by Baltrusch, MS by Adams to adjourn meeting. Upon VV, MC.

Rick Eckart, Mayor

Karen Nordby, Auditor