

**REGULAR HARVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 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, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 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:** Anne Ehni, Karelynn Whitley, Pastor Jeff, Debbie Richards, Loretta Buchwitz, Marci Eckart, and Shelley Chin.

Anne Ehni was present to speak to the Council about the Wells Co. Soil Conservation District and what they could do to help with the situation at the Harvey Reservoir. There is assistance through the ND Dept. of Environmental Quality of Soil and Water that may be available. M by Baltrusch, MS by Svoboda to work with and support the Soil Conservation in a partnership. Upon VV, MC.

**JDA REPORT:** JDA Director Marchand's report was in the packet for the Council to review. He updated the Council on the meetings he attended during the month of April. Governor Burgum is planning to visit Harvey on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. He is planning on taking him on a tour of Lincoln Ave and various other areas. He will have some other activities planned.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Zuber presented the Council with his report. Officer Denning will be graduating from LETA on June 9<sup>th</sup>. He plans to post a monthly editorial in the Herald Press titled "Be Aware" to keep the community informed on any pertinent information. He turned in a list of issues with curb painting and traffic signs that he would like to see resolved. Chief Zuber is looking at hiring another officer that will need to go to the academy. M by Baltrusch, MS by Svoboda to approve offering a promissory note for \$19,200 for 3 years. If the officer completes 3 years with the Harvey PD the note will be forgiven. Upon VV, MC.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:** Public Works Director Erickson's report was in the packet for the Council to review. He stated that Auditor Nordby and himself had filled out an application for financial assistance from the Brownfield Program to help with the demo and disposal of the Napa Building on Lincoln Ave. 512 East Brewster St. is still on track to be demolished soon. They discussed procedures on garbage issues that had not been resolved. The council discussed taking concrete at the landfill. The rates need to be increased due to the expense of crushing the concrete. The consensus of the council is to continue accepting concrete at the landfill. The consensus of the council is to accept appliances still. The public works department will create a plan to pick them up and charge \$15.00 per item. The council discussed the rates of garbage. M by Adams, MS by Svoboda to approve an increase of \$1 per year for 5 consecutive years starting on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, for residential garbage. 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 Engineers Report with the Council. The Pipe Detectives started on the sewer televising. They discussed relining the sewers with Prairie Dog Funds. M by Adams, MS by Selzler to proceed with the bathroom remodel for the P.D. Nordby informed the council of nuisance properties that we've received complaints about, and the steps being taken to resolve the problem. M by Adams, MS by Baltrusch to approve the Audit from Rath & Mehrer, P.C. as submitted. Upon VV, MC. M by Svoboda, MS by Selzler to approve the City employees taking July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, as a vacation day in observance of Independence Day. Upon VV, MC.

**MINUTES:** M by Marchand, MS by Svoboda to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Upon VV, MC.

**CASH REPORT:** M by Marchand, MS by Svoboda to approve the Auditor's Cash Report as submitted with April revenue of \$339,318.44. Upon RCV, MC.

**VOUCHERS:** M by Marchand, MS by Svoboda to approve the vouchers with expenses of Aramark 315.94, B&B Service & Repair 645.27, Brock White Co. 6174, Cobblestone Inn & Suites 88.20, Dakotah Paper Co. 453.75, EDND 275, Grainger 7.32, Harvey Area Chamber of Commerce 150, Harvey Park District 1686.73, Harvey Public School 2500, Harvey Swat Wrestling 25000, HAV-IT Recycling 1622, HAV-IT Services 460, Hawkins Inc. 2751.39, Heilman Electric 5176.21, Herald Press 414.16, Hinrich's Super Value 703.87, Hometown Variety 28.48, Hornbacher's Café 148.85, Information Tech. 57.75, Interstate Power Systems 1925.84, John Deere Financial 13.99, John Donarski 8.76, Kenny Erickson 205.98, KHND 200, Lemer's Ace 266.33, Little Mart 898.65, Mid-American Research Chemical 158.71, Mid Dakota Lumber 3885.91, Midee Auto 99.33, Midwest RO/Home RO 46874, Moore Engineering 2562.50, Napa Auto Parts 261.35, ND Dept. of Health 31.78, NDTC 1560.02, Nextgen Const. 3400, Nuline Ins. 32033, Nyhus Law Firm 60, One Call Concepts 6.50, Ottertail Power Co. 8619.54, Paul's Snow Removal 495, Powerplan 3937.44, Rath & Mehrer P.C. 13500, The Library Store 76.40, TJ Plumbing 110, Tractor Supply Co. 337.38, Transunion Risk & Alternative 75, Trifectah Solutions 61, Tyler Denning 25, Unum Life Ins. Co. 196.12, USPS 297.28, Verendrye Electric Coop 198.64, Verizon 446.10, Visa 2216.45, Warehouse Grocery 238.06, Waste Management 7607.40, Wells Co. Treasurer 2300, Wells Co. Water Resource 10000, and April Payroll \$94,923.37. Upon RCV, MC.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**ARMORY UPDATE:** We are waiting for the next step of the CBDG grant money. The Council would like to apply for a grant for the Armory along with the Fire Hall under USDA/Community Facilities parameters.

**UPDATE COMMITTEE LIST:** M by Svoboda, MS by Adams to approve the Mayor's appointment of Arnie Selzler to the Planning & Zoning/Building & Grounds/Tree & ADA Committee. Upon VV, MC.

**HAV-IT RECYCLING:** Tabled until next month.

**LEASE AGREEMENT:** Circus Wonderland has cancelled their event in the Armory.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PROPERTY BIDDING PROCESS:** The Council discussed ideas on how to improve the property bidding process.

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT:** M by Baltrusch, MS by Adams to approve the Special Event Permit for the First Lutheran Church for the use of Centennial Park on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. for church service and fellowship. Upon VV, MC.

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT:** M by Baltrusch, MS by Adams to approve the Special Event Permit for Faith Lutheran Church to block the street at the corner of Adams Ave. and 8<sup>th</sup> Street for Vacation Bible School from 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. on June 5<sup>th</sup> through June 8<sup>th</sup>. Upon VV, MC.

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT:** M by Baltrusch, MS by Adams to approve the Special Event Permit for First International Bank & Trust 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 Adams, MS by Baltrusch to designate the Herald Press as the official newspaper. Upon VV, MC.

**SALES TAX CONTRACT:** M by Selzler, MS by Svoboda to approve the Sales Tax Contract as written. Upon VV, MC.

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

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Rick Eckart, Mayor

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Karen Nordby, Auditor