

**Hartley City Council Meeting  
Special Session  
November 29, 2016**

The special meeting of the Hartley City Council was held Tuesday November 29, 2016 at 5:15 p.m. in the Hartley City Hall. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Westphalen presided and called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. City Council Members present were: Jerry Olson, Ron Hengeveld, Roxann Swanson, Mary Westphalen and Val Moermond. Others present: Patty Anderson, Jordan Kerr, Terry Hilbert, Nick Pedley, Cheryl Stanley, Brian Myers, Marilyn Tesch and Denny Roskens.

Moermond moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen, Moermond and Olson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

City Attorney Harold Dawson informed that John Lyman resigned as Mayor November 16, 2016. The City Council has sixty days from that date to make a decision to appoint someone or hold a special election. With an appointment a notice will need to be published first. Then the City Council would make an appointment by a majority vote. If the City doesn't have someone appointed within sixty days the City would have to follow the special election process. With a special election the City would give the O'Brien County Auditor, a thirty-two day notice requesting a special election.

Agenda Item No. 7 Approving Appointment Method of Filling Mayor Vacancy failed for lack of motion.

Moermond moved to approve Special Election Method of Filling Mayor Vacancy and Directing City Clerk to Notify O'Brien County Auditor to set Date for Special Election. Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Moermond, Olson, Hengeveld and Swanson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

City Attorney Harold Dawson recommended bringing the abstract up to date on property the City plans to acquire at 210 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue E.

Olson moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m. Seconded by Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes. Moermond, Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson and Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

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Mary Westphalen, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

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Patty Anderson, City Clerk/Administrator