

**Hartley City Council Meeting
Regular Session
January 9, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Hartley City Council was held Monday January 9, 2017 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: Harold Dawson, Patty Anderson, Terry Hilbert, Jordan Kerr, Nick Pedley, Les Zearing, Jared Johnson, Will Joines, Mike & Sherry Rosenberg, James Vogt, Robert Young, Darla Strait, Milet Kracht, Brad Meendering, Kevin Soden, Larry Espey, Cindy Gelderman, Tim Hilbert, Dr. Mark & Sue Schulz, Cliff Ripke, Stan & Julia Meyer, Lanette Bates, Clayton Pyle, Connie Olhausen and Rodney Arhenstorff.

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

Moermond moved to approve the consent agenda excluding Baum Harmon Hospital invoice \$121.50. Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Swanson, Westphalen, Moermond, Olson and Hengeveld. Nays. None. Motion carried 5-0.

O'Brien County EMA Director Jared Johnson introduced himself and informed there is a new O'Brien County Emergency Management website and alert system. He offered his assistance to the city.

Kevin Soden, Fire Chief, and members of the Hartley Fire Department were present. Soden informed the Department responded to 28 calls in 2016. The Department covers the city, 107 rural sections and has twenty members. The new fire truck is expected to be completed by the end of January. The Insurance Services Offices (ISO) performed an analysis of the city's fire delivery system which resulted in reducing the city's ISO rate from a 7/9 classification to a 4/4X which should lower resident's insurance premiums.

Members of Meadow Brook Golf & Country Club were present. President Robert Young asked the Council to consider \$1,000 /month of financial assistance for the Club. He informed that they have been working to reduce expenses over the past three years. Even though, expenses have been reduced Young explained they have fallen on tough financial times. Vice President James Vogt informed that it is an income problem.

Cindy Gelderman, Library Director, provided an annual report to the Council and informed that volunteers contributed 1,286 hours to the library over the past year.

Ambulance Director Rodney Arhenstorff provided an annual update. He informed there are twelve ambulance staff members. In 2016, there were 154 calls with 113 transfers to a hospital. Two grants were awarded one for a heart monitor \$25,000 and a Lucas device \$15,000.

Olson moved to approve Housing Rehabilitation Program Draw No. 1 \$1,304 to Simmering and Cory. Seconded by Moermond. Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Moermond, Olson, Hengeveld and Swanson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Moermond moved to approve Northwest Iowa Solid Waste Agency Hartley Representative Ron Hengeveld and Alternate Terry Hilbert. Seconded by Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes. Moermond, Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson and Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

The Council continued on-going discussions of Hartley's ATV Ordinance. City Attorney Harold Dawson will continue researching it.

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

Moermond moved to approve Resolution #2017-01, "A Resolution of the City of Hartley Appointing City Clerk/Administrator, Deputy City Clerk & City Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Works, Zoning Officer and Interim Police Chief". Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen, Moermond and Olson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Westphalen moved to approve Resolution #2017-02, "A Resolution Naming Official City Newspaper, Official Depositories, and Directing Payment of Certain Recurring Bills". Seconded by Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes. Swanson, Westphalen, Moermond, Olson and Hengeveld. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Moermond moved to approve Resolution #2017-03, "A Resolution of the City of Hartley Approving City Attorney, Hourly Rate and Mileage Compensation". Seconded by Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Moermond, Olson, Hengeveld and Swanson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Mayor Pro Temp Westphalen informed Resolution #2017-04 was approving \$11,703.62 transfer to the Fire Truck Internal Service Fund.

Hengeveld moved to approve Resolution #2017-04, "A Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds to the Fire Truck Internal Service Fund". Seconded by Moermond. Roll Call: Ayes. Moermond, Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson and Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Moermond moved to approve to Rescind the December 20, 2016 Motion to Approve Payment to the Hartley Economic Development Corporation of \$12,810 of Legal Fees for Public Purpose for City of Hartley and Future of Hartley Economic Development Corporation" Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen and Moermond. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Westphalen moved to approve Hulstein Excavating Pay Request No. 2 \$19,784.55 for Water Main Replacement Project. Seconded by Hengeveld. Ayes. Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen, Moermond and Olson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

At 6:15 p.m. the City Council held a 2017-18 budget work session.

Moermond moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Swanson, Westphalen, Moermond, Olson and Hengeveld. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

ATTEST:

Patty Anderson, City Clerk/Administrator

Mary Westphalen, Mayor Pro Tem