

**Hartley City Council Meeting  
Regular Session  
October 9, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Hartley City Council was held Monday, October 9, 2023, at 5:30 P.M. at the Hartley City Hall. The meeting was available in person and via Zoom.us at 868 5462 3506, Passcode 976849 and/or by phone at 312-626-6799. Log in details were included with the posted meeting agenda. Mayor Rodney Ahrenstorff presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. City Councilmembers present were Mary Westphalen, Greg Cotter, Jerry Olson and Ron Hengeveld. City Councilmember absent was Nick Galm. Others present were Roxann Swanson, Curtis Conaway, Nick Pedley, Joe Hengeveld, Dennis Clark, Wes Boyer, Dave VanderBroek, Roger Robb. No participants joined by Zoom.

Westphalen moved to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Cotter, Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Hengeveld moved to adopt the consent agenda with changes. Liquor License Application: Spotlight Lounge removed. Seconded by Westphalen. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen, Cotter. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor comments included a reminder Hartley Chamber of Commerce will hold Trunk or Treat on October 31, 3 – 5pm.

No City Council Comments.

No Public Comments.

Hengeveld moved to approve the 28E Agreement between the City of Hartley and O'Brien County for the city's share of the M12 (Vine Ave/8<sup>th</sup> Ave W) Resurfacing Project. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen, Cotter. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Update on the 6<sup>th</sup> Ave W Watermain project and CDBG Grant consideration was provided by Wes Boyer with Bolten & Menk. No decision made. Further discussion will be held to determine how the city will move forward.

Update on the 3<sup>rd</sup> St SW Trail Preliminary Plans was provided by Wes Boyer with Bolten & Menk. Next steps will include talking with the landowner and determine if the city can move forward with this portion of the trail.

Discussion held regarding having Bolten & Menk's Traffic Team complete a traffic study on Highway 18 between 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue W and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue W to review and address traffic and pedestrian crossing issues around the Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn High School/Elementary School. These counts will be used in the future as a basis for a future study and work the city will be doing with the iDOT. Council consensus is to move forward with the study in preparation for future projects.

Westphalen moved to approve the 2023 – 2024 employee health insurance renewal. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Westphalen, Cotter, Olson. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Ahrenstorff opened the Public Hearing on the matter of sale of real estate owned by the City of Hartley, O'Brien County, Iowa, to Cory Kunzman at 6:20 P.M.

No written or oral comments were received.

Mayor Ahrenstorff closed the Public Hearing at 6:21 P.M.

Cotter moved to approve **“RESOLUTION NO. 2023-36 RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE CITY’S INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY”**. Seconded by Westphalen.

Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Cotter, Olson, Hengeveld. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Westphalen moved to approve **“RESOLUTION NO. 2023-37, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT TO CORY KUNZMAN”**.

Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Cotter, Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Hengeveld moved to approve **“RESOLUTION NO. 2023-38 RESOLUTION APPROVING EMPLOYEE HOURLY WAGE INCREASE”**. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen, Cotter. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Westphalen moved to approve the Intergovernmental 28E Agreement between HMS Community School District and City of Hartley, Iowa. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen, Cotter. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Hengeveld moved to approve the Water’s Edge Aquatic Design invoice for \$11,137.50. Seconded by Westphalen. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Westphalen, Cotter, Olson. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Westphalen moved to approve the pay request to Steve and Deb Prins in the amount of \$7,737.91. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Cotter, Olson, Hengeveld. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussed Ordinance No. 348 Section 1.5. Ron Hengeveld and Greg Cotter will do further review of Chapter 69.06 and Ordinance No. 348 to determine updates needed to the wording and times semi tractor and trailers, nonself-propelled vehicles or equipment can or cannot be parked on any street or municipal parking lot in the city.

Hengeveld moved to approve Halloween Trick or Treat to occur on October 31, 2023, 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Cotter, Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Westphalen moved to approve the appointment of Will Robinson as the TCA Programming Representative to complete the current term expiring 7/1/2024. Seconded by Cotter. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Westphalen, Cotter. Nays. None. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Ahrenstorff adjourned the meeting at 6:37 P.M.

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Rodney Ahrenstorff, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Roxann Swanson, City Clerk/Administrator