Hartley City Council Meeting
Special Session
March 18, 2019

The special meeting of the Hartley City Council was held Monday, March 18, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. at the Hartley City Hall. Mayor Rodney Ahrenstorff presided and called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. City Council Members present were: Jerry Olson, Ron Hengeveld, Roxann Swanson, Mary Westphalen and Brian Myers. Others present: Jaron Benz, Nick Pedley, and Erica Haack.

Swanson moved to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen, Myers and Olson. Nayes. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Mayor Ahrenstorff informed the meeting discussion would be regarding the city's dangerous building ordinance as it may apply to particular buildings in question.

Council members commented that the Fire Department has had two calls in the last two weeks, and extended their appreciation for the Dept.'s swift response and action.

The City Council discussed complaints received about two buildings downtown. A window from the property located at 185 S Central Ave. fell to the ground late last week. City crews cleaned up the broken glass and put barricades in place. The owner has since put plywood in the broken out window. Other windows in the building have holes or are bowing. The roof and the south wall both appear to be in disrepair as well, causing concern.

The City Council also discussed the condition of the property located at 170 S Central Ave. City crews observed about three feet of standing water in the basement several weeks ago, and with no adequate drainage in the basement, there is concern about whether the water has been removed. The roof of the building has had a hole, causing leaking for several years.

The City Council discussed authorizing Enforcement Officer Jon Hintz to implement the city's Dangerous Building Ordinance.

Westphalen moved to authorize Enforcement Officer Jon Hintz to proceed. Seconded by Myers. Roll Call: Ayes. Swanson, Westphalen, Myers, Olson, Hengeveld. Nayes. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Mayor Ahrenstorff adjourned the meeting at 5:19 P.M.

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Rodney Ahrenstorff, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Erica J. Haack, City Clerk/Administrator