

**Hartley City Council Meeting
Regular Session
January 14, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Hartley City Council was held Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hartley City Hall. Mayor Rodney Ahrenstorff presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. City Council Members present were: Jerry Olson, Ron Hengeveld, Roxann Swanson, Mary Westphalen and Brian Myers. Others present: Joel Hengeveld, Wes Boyer, Josh Pope, Richard Howard, Brittany Dolphin, Brad Meendering, Matt Wilderman, Roy Wohlert, Patty Anderson and Jaron Benz.

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

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

Mayor Ahrenstorff opened a Public Hearing to Enter into a General Obligation Sewer Improvement Loan Agreement at 6:01 p.m. There were no oral or written comments received. Mayor Ahrenstorff closed the public hearing at 6:02 p.m.

Hengeveld moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-01, **“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LOAN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF A GENERAL OBLIGATION SEWER IMPROVEMENT LOAN AGREEMENT ANTICIPATION PROJECT NOTE IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$930,000”**. Seconded by Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Myers, Olson, Hengeveld and Swanson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Mayor Ahrenstorff opened a Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment for the Hartley Urban Renewal Area at 6:03 p.m. There were no oral or written comments received. Mayor Ahrenstorff closed the public hearing at 6:04 p.m.

Westphalen moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-02, **“RESOLUTION TO APPROVE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR THE HARTLEY URBAN RENEWAL AREA”**. Seconded by Myers. Roll Call: Ayes. Myers, Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson and Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Olson moved to approve Dorsey Whitney Law Firm Letter of Services not to exceed \$11,000 for Urban Renewal Plan Amendment and Loan Agreement. Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen and Myers. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

A Pre-Construction meeting was held with engineers and contractors for the Waste Water UV System Improvement Project. The UV System was damaged during the June 2018 floods. The UV System damages approved under the Presidential Disaster Declaration is \$360,270.71 of which the federal share is 75%, state 10% and city’s 15%.

Roy Wohlert with the American Legion asked the City Council if they would contribute funds toward the American Legion’s 100th Year Celebration this summer. They have raised \$3,000.

Hengeveld moved to approve a \$3,000 Contribution to the American Legion 100th Anniversary Event. Seconded by Westphalen. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen, Myers and Olson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Brittany Dolphin informed that the Summer Celebration Committee started planning events for this summer's celebration. They expect more people to attend this summer due to the American Legion's 100th Year Anniversary and All School Reunion. She asked for a contribution from the city towards the Summer Celebration Event.

Swanson moved to approve a \$15,000 Contribution to the Chamber of Commerce Summer Celebration Event. Seconded by Myers. Roll Call: Ayes. Swanson, Westphalen, Myers, Olson and Hengeveld. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Brittany Dolphin presented two bids from Rolling Signs of \$40,706 and \$44,849 for an Electronic Sign. There will be more discussion on the location of the sign and frame around it.

Swanson moved to approve up to a \$50,000 Contribution to the Chamber of Commerce for an Electronic Sign. Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Myers, Olson, Hengeveld and Swanson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Brad Meendering is the new Fire Chief. He and Matt Wilderman provided a Fire Department update. They thanked the city for the newly remodeled kitchen and bathroom at the fire station. There were 18 calls last year. They purchased a 2012 Freightliner and thanked Valero for their contribution towards the truck purchase.

Mayor Ahrenstorff provided an Ambulance Department update. They have 4 drivers, 6 EMT's, 1 Paramedic and 2 members are training to be an EMT. There were 196 calls out, 25 were no transport and 10 were for football games. There were 161 actual runs. The Department plans to purchase a new ambulance in 2019.

Hengeveld moved to approve Mayor and City Council Committees. Seconded by Westphalen. Roll Call: Ayes. Myers, Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson and Westphalen. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Myers moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-03, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HARTLEY APPOINTING CITY CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR, DEPUTY CITY CLERK & TREASURER, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ZONING OFFICER AND POLICE CHIEF". Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen and Myers. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Westphalen moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-04, "A RESOLUTION NAMING THE OFFICIAL CITY NEWSPAPER, OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES AND DIRECTING PAYMENT OF CERTAIN RECURRING BILLS". Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen, Myers and Olson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Swanson moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-05, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HARTLEY APPROVING HOURLY RATE AND MILEAGE COMPENSATION". Seconded

by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Swanson, Westphalen, Myers, Olson and Hengeveld. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

There was discussion of the number of monuments per grave at Pleasant View Cemetery. It was a consensus of the City Council to allow one monument per grave.

Westphalen move to approve Advertising the 2006 Ford F250 Pickup and Equipment for Sale. Seconded by Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes. Westphalen, Myers, Olson, Hengeveld and Swanson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Westphalen moved to approve Adding Hartley Economic Development Corporation as Additional Insured for the New Industrial Park and Pine Grove First Addition. Seconded by Olson. Roll Call: Ayes. Myers, Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson and Myers. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

The Personnel Committee held interviews of candidates who applied for the street operator position. They recommend hiring Richard Howard at \$20.50 per hour and .50 per hour increase after a positive six month review.

Hengeveld moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-06, "A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENT AND WAGE OF STREET OPERATOR POSITION". Seconded by Swanson. Roll Call: Ayes. Olson, Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen and Myers. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

Swanson moved to approve Jim VanIperen's Request to Forgive City Liens against Property at 50 N. 1st Avenue W. when he Purchases the Property. Seconded by Hengeveld. Roll Call: Ayes. Hengeveld, Swanson, Westphalen, Myers and Olson. Nays. None. Motion Carried 5-0.

The City Council discussed implementing a golf cart ordinance and will continue discussions.

The Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting is January 21st. Earlier the Iowa Office of Homeland Security invited the city to apply for a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for a north storm water project. After the invite, they said the city didn't have enough prior flood damages to be able to apply so the city will not be applying for this grant. Currently, a part of the land purchased for an Industrial Park is located in the county therefore the city has started the process of annexing it into the city. Costs are being determined to develop the land, construct a street and install utilities. The city's website is being updated.

Mayor Ahrenstorff adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Rodney Ahrenstorff, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty Anderson, City Clerk/Administrator