

Harvard City Council Minutes
April 11, 2023

The regular meeting of the Harvard City Council was held at the Harvard Community Room on the above date. Notice of the meeting had been given by publication in the Clay County News. Roll call showed the following to be present: Council Members: Dean Winchell, Nate Brown, Frank VanCampen, Leann Wessels, Misty Pair.
Absent: Bruce Smith and Mayor Keith Ljunggren.

Council President VanCampen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. stating the Open Meetings Law Poster is on the Southeast wall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Pair, seconded by Brown to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of claims, treasurer's report and previous meeting minutes. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AuroraCoop/fuel \$1,160.11
BenPavelka/concrete \$1,827.72
BigG/equip parts \$65.99
Cardmember/conf, parts, web \$1,073.98
Central District/water testing \$63.00
Clay County News/publish \$310.29
ConsolConcrete/road material \$2,113.35
Dutton/ballfield lights \$152.64
FyrTek/equip repair \$761.67
Hometown/copier \$239.07
Menards/parts, signs, tools \$455.23
Midwest Radar/testing \$120.00
MOCIC/police annual dues \$100.00
NEWaterAssoc/conf \$395.00
OneCall/hotline \$9.52
PowerPlan/equip maintenance \$27.75
Solheim/legal \$1,117.50
Southworth Boosters/Annual Pymt \$2,000.00
Sunbelt/rental \$133.97
Verizon/cells \$138.40
Windstream/Landline \$789.51
Woodwards/disposal \$6,201.14

Public Comment: Elaine Scheil invited the Council to a Ribbon Cutting for Rock-On, a new business in Harvard, on Wednesday April 19th at 11:00 am.

Gayle Shore updated the council on the date of the Veteran Memorial Car Show of July 29th, 2023 and mentioned he is expecting there will be free swimming on that day as it has been in the past. The council agreed there would be.

Elaine Scheil with Harvard Community Club asked permission from the city council to place large flower planters on Clay Ave., stating the club would maintain them. The council agreed.

Cale Byrom was not in attendance to give the update on renaming the parks, so Cheryl Walker, City Clerk, told the city council the student council has multiple names picked for each of the five parks and would like to do online voting for residents to pick their favorite name for each park. The city council would like the student council to be in charge of the online voting and then bring the final choices to the city council for an approval by Resolution.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Winchell to renew our current Life and Long-Term Disability Insurance with Madison National Life Ins., beginning July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025, for the current rate. Roll call: Ayes, Winchell, Brown, Wessels, VanCampen, Pair. Motion carried.

Motion by Pair, seconded by Brown to accept a quote from Brite for a police vehicle computer in the amount of \$7,680.00. Roll call: Ayes, Winchell, Brown, Wessels, VanCampen, Pair. Motion carried.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Winchell to accept a bid from Hersh Digging in the amount of \$2,782.70 to install a gas line for the fire department's new GenSet and to be paid for by Harvard Community Foundation. Roll call: Ayes, Winchell, Brown, Wessels, VanCampen, Pair. Motion carried.

Motion by Winchell, seconded by Brown to accept the Sani-Tred Reseal portion of the quote in the amount of \$4,050.00 with lodging and travel expenses to be determined at a later date. This is to reseal leaks in the swimming pool. Roll call: Ayes, Winchell, Brown, Wessels, VanCampen, Pair. Motion carried.

Maintenance Report by Ben Mattley

Police Report by Chief Alley

Mayor Comments by Council President Frank VanCampen. He asked if you are a praying person please pray for our mayor. Frank then led us in a prayer for Mayor Ljunggren.

Committee Comments: None

Pursuant to Section 84-1410 of the Open Meetings Act, the City Council has the right to go into Executive Session.

Motion by Brown to enter into executive session to discuss personnel, at 8:25 pm, seconded by Winchell. Roll call: Ayes, Winchell, Brown, Wessels, VanCampen, Pair. Motion carried.

Council President stated we will now reconvene to open session at 8:36 pm.

Motion by Wessels, seconded by Brown to hire Tristan Kleinschmidt at \$19.00 an hour to fill the open maintenance position. Roll call: Ayes, Winchell, Brown, Wessels, VanCampen, Pair. Motion carried.

As there was no further business, Council President VanCampen announced the meeting be adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Frank VanCampen, Council President

Cheryl Walker, City Clerk