

Harvard City Council Minutes  
February 28, 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: Frank VanCampen, Misty Pair, Bruce Smith, Dean Winchell, Nate Brown and Mayor Keith Ljunggren. Absent: Leann Wessels.

Mayor Ljunggren 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 Brown, seconded by VanCampen to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Arnold Motor/Shop Supplies \$208.56  
BCBS Ins/Emp Health ins Feb and March \$14,999.85  
Big G Ace/Chainsaw Chain \$18.59  
Black Hills Energy/Gas Bill \$1,881.13  
Business World/Office Supplies \$112.07  
Delta Dental/Emp Dental Ins \$262.86  
Eakes/Contract Billing Charge \$147.18  
Kully Pipe & Steel/Operating Supply \$74.93  
Menards/Bldg Repair \$195.54  
Madison Natl Life Ins/Emp Life Ins \$31.95  
NE Dept of Environment & Energy/Pool Permit \$40.00  
NE Public Health Lab/Water Testing \$560.00  
SCPPD/Light Bill \$4,115.65  
Tab Refrigeration LLC/Ice Machine Repair \$840.50  
Verizon/Cell Phones \$138.40  
Village Uniform/Mat Exchange & Janitorial \$90.51

Public Comment: None

Motion by Smith, seconded by Brown to loan the Community Club up to \$2,500.00, from the general fund to purchase souvenirs for the 150th Celebration. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Smith, Winchell, Brown. Nays, none. Abstain, Pair. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Winchell to open a Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m. for the purchase of a property legally described as: S 30 ft of the W 30 ft of Lot 198, and all of Lot 322 and Lot 323, Original, Town of Harvard, Clay County Ne. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown. Nays, none. Motion carried.

The clerk stated the first date of publication was January 25, 2023 and no petition was filed. One person from the public spoke with excitement about the purchase, stating they were happy the clerk's office will be moved out of the basement. Hearing no other comments from the public a motion by Nate, seconded by Smith to close the hearing at 7:42 p.m. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion by VanCampen, seconded by Winchell to purchase the property on the terms set forth in the Purchase Agreement and to authorize Mayor Ljunggren to execute all necessary documents at or before the closing. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Pair to set the maximum capacity load for the Community Room at 240 people based on square footage of the room per advice from the State Fire Marshal. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by VanCampen, seconded by Brown to purchase 84 metal folding chairs and one chair rack for the Community Room, not to spend more than \$2,541.00 from the Keno Fund. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Brown to correct the Deed for 204 Cypress that was incorrectly filed in 2018 and pay the back taxes owed up to \$200.00. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Ljunggren appointed Council Members Bruce Smith, Nate Brown and Frank VanCampen to the Nuisance Abatement Committee. Nuisance Abatement Procedures are postponed until the committee has a chance to make the changes necessary to collaborate with the Harvard City Code.

Police Report by Chief Alley  
Maintenance Report by Ben Mattley  
Mayor Comments: None.  
Committee Comments: None.

As there was no further business, motion by Brown, seconded by Smith the meeting be adjourned.

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Keith Ljunggren, Mayor

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Cheryl Walker, City Clerk