

Harvard City Council Minutes  
July 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: Frank VanCampen, Leann Wessels, Misty Pair, Sharon Ryan and Mayor Keith Ljunggren. Absent: Dean Winchell and Nate Brown.

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

Aqua-Chem/Pool	\$355.15
Aurora Coop/Fuel & Tractor Tires	\$2,389.86
Cardmember Services/Web Page & Pool	\$330.38
Central District/Water Testing	\$63.00
Clay County News/Publish	\$58.51
Friesen/Truck Repair	\$128.12
Hometown Leasing/Copier	\$239.07
Kully Pipe/Merry Go Round Repair	\$32.74
Menards/Office & Shop & Park	\$460.99
One Call/Locates	\$72.98
Rod's TPM/Cemetery Mowing	\$3,200.00
Solheim Law Farm/City Attorney	\$157.50
Verizon/Cell Phone	\$138.30
Windstream/Phone	\$790.64
Woodwards Disposal/Garbage & Landfill	\$7,782.98

Public comment:

Roxy Helzer addressed the council asking if there was a fireworks ordinance and if the public needed a burn permit to have a fire in a fire pit on their property. She also made a suggestion concerning the dump. Roxy thought a big sign would help and if that didn't work then get rid of the dumpsters because adding another dumpster was just adding fuel to the fire. She offered to participate in coming up with a different plan for the dump.

Elaine Scheil gave an update on the 150th Celebration Agenda. She also asked about barrel rides for the children to be in the alley of the fire hall and about some porta-potties being placed downtown along with trash cans. The mayor and council approved.

Veronica Henderson asked permission to use the grass area north of the fire hall for children's races. The mayor and council approved.

Councilmember VanCampen introduced Ordinance #905 Entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HARVARD, CLAY COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO ADOPT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF HARVARD, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL THE PRIOR CODE; TO REQUIRE FILINGS; TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion by Vancampen, seconded by Pair to suspend the Three-Reading Rule. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Wessels, Pair, Ryan. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Ryan made a motion for final passage for Ordinance #905, seconded by VanCampen. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Wessels, Pair, Ryan. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Ljunggren declared Ordinance #905 Passed and Adopted this 11th day of July, 2023.

The following Resolution was motioned for adoption by VanCampen, seconded by Wessels. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Wessels, Pair, Ryan. Nays, none. Motion carried.

#### Resolution #2023-6

#### RESOLUTION OBLIGATING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS (CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS) FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY.

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has adopted the “American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” (ARPA), and it has become law;

#### Resolution #2023-7

WHEREAS, The City of Harvard is a member of the League Association of Risk Management (LARM); WHEREAS, section 8.10 of the Interlocal Agreement for the Establishment and Operation of the League Association of Risk Management provides that a member may voluntarily terminate its participation in LARM by written notice of termination given to LARM and the Nebraska Director of Insurance at least 90 days prior to the desired termination given to and that members may agree to extend the required termination notice beyond 90 days in order to realize reduced excess coverage costs, stability of contribution rates and efficiency in operation of LARM;

Motion by Pair, seconded by Wessels to accept the quote from Aspegren Repair in the amount of \$4,000.00 for engine repair to the 2008 Chevy Silverado. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by VanCampen, seconded by Ryan to accept a quote from Fyr-Tek for 4 sets of bunker gear for the fire department, in the amount of \$10,091.96, to be paid from the Keno Fund. There is a possibility we will receive a grant to help with 25% of the cost. Roll call: Ayes, VanCampen, Wessels, Pair, Ryan. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Maintenance Report by Ben Mattley.

Police Report by Chief Alley

Mayor Comments: None

Committee Comments: Councilmember Leann Wessels passed out a short statement of the Dump Rules & Regulations, the committee wrote up. The council is going to look it over and discuss it at a later date.

As there was no further business, Mayor Ljunggren adjourned the meeting at 8:34 pm.

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Keith Ljunggren, Mayor

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Cheryl Walker, City Clerk

