

Harvard City Council Minutes
March 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: Misty Pair, Bruce Smith, Dean Winchell, Nate Brown, Frank VanCampen. Absent: Leann Wessels 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 Smith, seconded by Winchell to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of Claims and Previous Meeting Minutes. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Arnold Motor Supply/Batteries \$421.59
Black Hills Energy/Gas Bill \$1,821.59
BCBS/Health Ins \$6,444.11
Copycat Printing/Pool & Housing Sign \$85.66
Delta Dental/Dental Ins \$262.86
Dutton Lainson/Bldg Maint \$116.26
Environmental Services/Remove Asbestos \$2,500.00
Housing Development Corp/Abatement \$750.00
Holiday Inn Express/Water Conf \$319.90
Holiday Inn Kearney/Clerk Conf \$574.75
Jamber'Q Meats & Treats/Appr Dinner \$1,248.00
Kully Pipe & Steel/Pool \$11.65
Leak Investigators/Pool \$970.00
Loup Valley Lighting/Lift Station \$157.70
Madison National/Life Ins \$16.23
Menards/Grass Seed/Tools \$248.44
Municipal Supply/Water Repair \$685.60
NE Public Health/Water Testing \$516.00
NeRWater/Dues \$150.00
Olsson/Eng \$500.00
SCPPD/Electric \$3,854.20
Uline/Locating \$379.47
Village Uniform/Janitorial \$90.51
Windstream/Phone \$791.73

Motion by Brown, seconded by Smith to Strike the original motion from February 28, 2023 meeting to purchase folding chairs and a chair rack for Community Room in the amount of \$2541.00 from the Keno Fund. Roll call: Ayes: Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Pair to accept a quote from Uline in the amount of \$2,747.29 for 84 chairs and one chair rack for the Community Room and paying with Keno Funds. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Smith to open the One and Six-Year Hearing at 7:36 p.m. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

After some discussion between the council and David Ziska, Harvard's Street Engineer, a motion was made by Brown, seconded by Winchell to close the One and Six-Year Hearing at 7:42 p.m. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution 2023-3

WHEREAS The City of Harvard, Nebraska has conducted a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council that the One- and Six-Year Plan for Streets as amended at said public hearing has been accepted and approved.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Winchell to adopt Resolution 2023-3. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Lauren Timm with Pave LLC from Omaha, gave a brief description of his business and some of the towns they have done work for in Nebraska.

Armando Morales was listed on the agenda to talk about a skate park in Harvard but he was not present.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Pair authorizing the city to pay for Lifeguard and CPR Certification and Recertification. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Brown, VanCampen. Abstain, Smith, Nays, Winchell. Motion carried.

Consideration of a quote for Police Vehicle Computers was postponed until an officer could be present to explain in more detail how it would benefit the police department.

Councilmember Dean Winchell told the council about a gentleman he spoke with at the League Conference in February. His name is Al Vacanti and does consulting for cities and helps them apply for grants and all involved with the application process. Dean believes it would be very beneficial to the city to hire Al. Dean also shared he is working with Clay County on a grant for all Clay County Fire Departments to get new bunker gear.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Winchell to enter into executive session at 8:19 p.m. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Motion carried.

Council President VanCampen stated we will now reconvene to open session at 8:40 p.m.

Motion by Smith Seconded by Pair to raise the seasonal maintenance workers wage to \$13.00 an hour beginning immediately. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Winchell to hire a new Dump Attendant. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Pair to hire a Custodian. Roll call: Ayes, Pair, Smith, Winchell, Brown, VanCampen. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Maintenance Report by Ben Mattley

Police Report: None: Chief Alley, absent
Committee Comments: None
Mayor Comments: Absent

Council President VanCampen adjourned the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

A. Frank VanCampen, Board President

Cheryl Walker, City Clerk