

The Hartington City Council met on January 09, 2023 at the city hall for their regular meeting beginning at 5:00 P.M. Notice of time and place of the meeting was given in the advance notice by posting. Notice of time and place of the meeting was communicated in the advance notice to the mayor and council.

Present were Mayor Becker; Councilmen Bartling, Christensen, Kathol and Sudbeck; City Clerk – Treasurer de Waal, Deputy Clerk Hines. Legal Advisor Pier was absent.

Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M., followed by all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He announced that the open meeting law poster was on the back wall of the council room and reminded all present to silence their cell phones.

A motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2022 meeting and the December 2022 Treasurer's Report was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – yes, Kathol – yes, Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

The annual Yates's Flood Pool Easement Payment for 2023 was next on the agenda. The taxes and assessed value totaled \$805.90. A motion to approve to annual payment was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – yes, Kathol – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the Nebraska Department of Transportation Certificate of Compliance was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – yes, Kathol – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

Resolution 20230109 – Bank Authorization for Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Council President was introduced by Councilman Sudbeck. This resolution removes Natalie Schaecher as Clerk and adds Daniella de Waal as Clerk. As well as removing Daniellah de Waal as Deputy Clerk and adds Marlys Hines as Deputy Clerk. Finally it removes Brad Peitz as Council President and adds Cody Christensen as Council President. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Councilman Sudbeck and seconded by Councilman Kathol. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – abstain, Kathol – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

Clerk de Waal discussed with the Council the Hartington Economic Development Group's LB840 drawdown request. This is the final payment for the land purchase from Bill Yates. Councilman Kathol questioned Mayor Becker on the whereabouts of the land. A motion to approve the LB840 Drawdown for the Annual and final payment to Bill Yates on the Industrial Park was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – yes, Kathol – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Cedar County Sheriff's report was distributed by Deputy Zimmer. There were 365 ½ hours patrolled. School traffic was 4 ½ hours. Calls of service were 1 EPC, 1 welfare check, 1 trespass, 1 parking complaint, and 1 alarm. Traffic stops were zero verbal warnings, 1 written warning, and 0 citations. There were zero arrests.

The next item on the agenda was a resignation letter from the Hartington Airport Authority for Roger Filips. A motion to accept the resignation of Roger Filips was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Kathol. A roll call vote was taken. Christensen – yes, Kathol – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried. Councilman Bartling stepped out to answer a phone call.

Following the resignation of Roger Filips the Hartington Airport Authority requests the appointed Tom Becker to fill the vacant position. A motion to approve the appointment of Tom Becker was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Kathol. A roll call vote was taken. Christensen – yes, Kathol – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

Department Reports:

Park – Councilman Kathol: Kathol question who was all on the park board and Councilman Sudbeck said that he spoke with some board members who will be reaching out to Kathol.

Pool/Interim Gun Range – Councilman Bartling: None

Complex/Auditorium – Councilman Sudbeck: Complex has a couple of benches ordered that will be placed by the play ground equipment. A sign for Disc Golf will also be ordered to show the course; Mayer Sign is currently working on something. Mayor Becker had some questions regarding the Auditorium pass pricing. Mayor Becker would like to have a lower rate for a day pass instead of having to pay for a season pass. Clerk De Waal commented on kids messing with the door to prevent it from closing completely. We are trying to narrow down the individual who is messing with the door.

Fire/Ambulance – Councilman Christensen: None

General – Mayor Becker: A new scoreboard for the complex is currently in the process of being order; Councilman Sudbeck and Brandon Baller at Security Bank are working on this project. The city will pay for the scoreboard and Security Bank will reimburse the city for the expense. There has also been a donor who stepped forward and would like to donate a large sum of the cost of a new bathroom/concession stand at the complex. Councilman Sudbeck commented and said with the remaining Cliff Filips donation and with the new donor the city would only have to pay about \$6,000.

Legal Advisor Pier: Absent

Clerk de Waal: None

Deputy Clerk Hines: None

Public Comments: Rob Dump asked Councilman Bartling and Christensen if they remembered how much the city initially paid for the land we purchased from Bill Yates. Mayor Becker commented and said the Economic Development would have this information. Councilman Bartling also informed the council that the new fire truck has been delivered, it is not yet in service but it has arrived.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General:	Burnell’s Foodtown 600.00, Hartelco 375.61, Hartington Shopper 231.30, NE Nebraska News Company 544.98.
Streets:	Bank of Hartington 183.33, Burnell’s Foodtown 62.10, Carhart Lumber 112.43, Colonial Life 27.22, Fair Manufacturing Inc. 3,684.00, Farmers Union Coop Gas & Oil 2,264.09, Grossenburg Implement 646.69, Plumbing & Electric 3.20, U.S. Cellular 75.37.
Water:	Hartington Shopper 30.87, One Call Concepts, Inc. 3.53, Peitz Service 73.53.
Sewer:	Hartelco 66.60, Hartington Shopper 30.87, One Call Concepts, Inc. 3.53.
Sanitation:	Bank of Hartington 83.33, Colonial Life 129.66, Farmers Union Coop Gas & Oil 1,037.18, Hartington Shopper 30.86.
Fire:	Dearborn National Life Insurance Co. 123.68, FYR TEK 302.11, Farmers Union Coop Gas & Oil 76.57, Hartington Volunteer Fire Department 560.00, Hartelco 45.88.
Police:	Cedar County Sheriff 13,532.54.
Ambulance:	Burnell’s Foodtown 79.10, Etched Impressions 22.00, Farmers Union Coop Gas & Oil 103.34, Hartelco 45.88, Hartelco Computers 5,107.99, Matheson Tri-Gas 133.51, U.S. Cellular 186.66.
Cemetery:	Cedar Know Rural Water 58.30.
Recreation:	Etched Impressions 299.48.
Complex:	Hartelco 44.38
Library:	Bank of Hartington 333.34, Hartelco 115.12, Kruse True Value 981.48.
City Hall:	Bank of Hartington 83.33, Carhart Lumber Co. 5.96, Colonial Life 93.08, Eakes Office Solutions 222.28, Dixie Fischer 100.00.
Auditorium:	Appeara 63.56.

Economic

Development: Hartelco 47.22.

Transfer

Station: Carhart Lumber 71.80, Deere Credit Inc. 375.26, Grossenburg Implement 310.97, Gill Hauling, Inc. 888.30, Hartelco 46.96, JEO 352.50, Jerry's Service 458.35, Overhead Door Company 713.25.

Total payroll for the month of December 2022 was \$58,064.15.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen - yes, Kathol – yes, Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Christensen and seconded by Councilman Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – yes, Kathol – yes, Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 PM. The next scheduled meeting is January 23, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniella de Waal
City Clerk-Treasurer