

The Hartington City Council met on November 22, 2021 at the city hall for their regular meeting beginning at 7:00 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 Peitz, Sudbeck, and Bartling; City Clerk – Treasurer Schaecher; Deputy Clerk Carlson; and Legal Advisor Pier. Councilman Christensen was absent.

Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 7:01 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 November 08, 2021 meeting was made by Peitz and seconded by Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

Resolution 20211122 – Authorizing Participation in the Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District was introduced by Councilman Sudbeck. A motion was made by Councilman Peitz to adopt the resolution and this was seconded by Councilman Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

Two sign permits were presented and reviewed from Armory Storage. A motion was made by Bartling and seconded by Sudbeck to approve the permits. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

Jacob Haahr and Matthew Kathol were two new firemen who were voted on to the Hartington Volunteer Fire Department on November 01, 2021. Councilman Peitz made a motion to approve the appointments and this was seconded by Councilman Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

The resignation letter from Deputy Clerk Marti Carlson was presented to the Mayor and Council, with November 24, 2021 being her last day. Mayor Becker thanked Marti for her service and wished her well with her new employment opportunity. Councilman Peitz made the motion to accept the resignation and this was seconded by Councilman Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

#### Department Reports:

Park – Councilman Peitz: None

Pool/Interim Gun Range – Councilman Bartling: None

Complex/Auditorium – Councilman Sudbeck: None

Fire/Ambulance-Councilman Christensen: Absent. Mayor Becker asked for clarification regarding the ambulance department ordering a new ambulance.

General – Mayor Becker: None

Steve Pier: None

Clerk Schaecher: Hartelco submitted a rate increase report and this information was placed in the Council packets.

Deputy Clerk Carlson: None

Public Comments: Rob Dump asked for the location of Armory Storage. Rob Dump asked if there is a limit on how many volunteer firemen the City can have. Councilman Peitz stated that the limit is 35 and this is our City's rule.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General: BOKF, NA 156,500.00 and Kennedy, Pier, Loftus, & Reynolds 400.00

Streets: Appera 25.00, Black Hills Energy 328.38, JEO 200.00, NPPD 3,144.64, Steffen Electric 375.96, and US Able Life 14.50

Water: Cedar-Knox PPD 876.96, MC 2, Inc. 2,354.41, Municipal Supply 73.92, NDEE 13,196.24, and NPPD 769.98, and USABLE Life 14.50

Sewer: Black Hills Energy 70.58, Midwest Laboratories 389.00, NDEE 29,024.30, and NPPD 2,998.20

Sanitation: LP Gill 5,537.84, Stop N Go 492.26. and USABLE Life 29.00

Fire: Black Hills Energy 37.79, Leise Lawn Care 370.00, NPPD 138.90, Stop N Go 123.10, Service Master 492.45, and Toyne 785.33

Police: Cedar County Sheriff 13,398.56

Ambulance: Arrow Manufacturing 332.00, Avera Sacred Heart Hospital 1,102.19, Black Hills Energy 37.78, C. Hamilton 416.11, Matheson Tri-Gas 68.74, and NPPD 107.32

Recreation: NPPD 63.16

Pool: Black Hills Energy 30.25, NPPD 47.59, and Recreonics 1,226.40

Parks: NPPD 486.47

Complex: NPPD 124.66

Library: Access Elevator & Lifts 445.00, Black Hills Energy 111.88, Cornhusker State Industries 2,610.00, Eakes Office Solutions 118.75, Follett School Solutions 922.19, Hometown Leasing 101.80, Ingram 594.01, Midwest Tape 44.98, NPPD 380.63, Penworthy 240.36, USABLE Life 29.00, and X-Pert Lawn and Landscaping 305.00

City Hall: Black Hills Energy 37.88, Hometown Leasing 62.05, Koch-Tramp Plumbing & Heating 72.50, NPPD 161.12, and USABLE Life 29.00

Auditorium: Appera 59.00, Black Hills Energy 113.35, Koch-Tramp Plumbing & Heating 72.50, and NPPD 59.50

Economic Development: Hometown Leasing 31.02

Transfer Station: Cedar-Knox PPD 119.02

A motion to pay the bills, in addition to NDEE for \$250.00 and except for JEO, was made by Councilman Sudbeck and seconded by Councilman Peitz. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried. A motion to pay the JEO bill was made by Councilman Bartling and was seconded by Councilman Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Sudbeck – yes, and Becker – yes. Motion carried. Peitz abstained and signed a Potential Conflict of Interest Statement.

A motion to adjourn was made by Sudbeck and seconded by Peitz. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M. The next scheduled meeting is for December 13, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Schaecher  
City Clerk - Treasurer