

The Hartington City Council met on December 13, 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 Bartling, Peitz, and Sudbeck; City Clerk – Treasurer Schaecher, and Legal Advisor Pier. Councilman Christensen was absent.

Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 November 22, 2021 meeting and the November 2021 Treasurer's Report was made by Bartling and seconded by Peitz. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

The November 2021 Cedar County Sheriff's report was distributed by Deputy Zimmer. There were 409 ¼ hours patrolled. School traffic was 4 ½ hours. Calls of service were 1 accident, 3 suspicious activities, 3 traffic controls, 1 alarm, and 1 animal complaint. Traffic stops were 9 verbal warning. There were 0 arrests.

Sign permits were presented and reviewed from The Globe Chophouse and Cor Therapeutic Services. 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.

Clerk Schaecher presented the Nebraska Department of Transportation Agreement Renewal. A motion to approve the renewal was made by Peitz and seconded by Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling –yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck –yes. Motion carried.

Resolution 20211213 – Signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent Form was introduced by Councilman Sudbeck. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Peitz and seconded by Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

The following annual appointments were made by Mayor Becker:

Ambulance: Eric Becker, Troy Bottolfson, Dirk Dailey, Donna Davey, Dixie Fischer, Carol Hamilton, Jeff Jones, Clay Kleinschmit, Tim Kuchta, Steve Leise, Tammy Leise, Melissa Lordemann, Charles Meirose, Karen Newton, Tamara Pedersen, Steve Rokusek, Patty Schieffer, and Marilyn Thoene

Fireman: Mike Jueden, Chief; Jerrold Schulte, Assistant Chief; Chris Bartling, Doug Becker, John Brodersen, Dan Carl, Jimmy Christensen, Dirk Dailey, Dave Feilmeier, Brandon Fischer, Rod Fischer, Brian Gall, Pat Guy, Jacob Haahr, Robert Hamilton, Mark Heimes, Michael Hoepfner, Matthew Kathol, Randy Kathol, Tyler Kathol, Ron Lammers, Tucker Lammers, Austin Mann, Ryan Marsh, Dustin Neuhalfen, Corey Pearson, Brad Peitz, Darin Pick, Thomas Potts, Nathaniel Rutar, Chris Steffen, Dan Steiner, Bill Thoene, Aaron Wiechelman, and Jon Wiechelman

Official Bank: Bank of Hartington

City Attorney: Kennedy, Pier, Loftis, and Reynolds, LLP

City Engineer: JEO Consulting Group, Inc.

Street Superintendent: Terry Mead, JEO Consulting Group, Inc., License Number S-1138, Class A

Zoning Administrator: LeRoy Hansen

City Clerk-Treasurer: Natalie Schaecher

Deputy Clerk: Vacant

Utility Superintendent: Corey Kramer

Official Newspaper: Cedar County News

Tree Board: Dan Kathol-Chairman and Leander Lammers

Health Care Provider: Vacant

Citizens Advisory Committee for the Economic Development Plan: Jason Dendinger, Lee Carl, Donna Fischer, Burnell Herbolsheimer, and John Kramer

A motion was made by Councilman Peitz and seconded by Councilman Sudbeck to approve the appointments. 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 for complex. The American Red Cross was at the auditorium for inventory. Mayor Becker ordered 5,000 new sand bags.

Fire/Ambulance-Councilman Christensen: Absent

General – Mayor Becker: None

Steve Pier: None

Clerk Schaecher: None

Public Comments: Rob Dump requested a copy of the annual appointments.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General: Anderson & Anderson Insurance 2,659.00, EMC Insurance 7,966.48, Great America Financial Services 105.00, Hartelco 291.99, Hartington Shopper 104.50, Kennedy, Pier, Loftus, & Reynolds 702.50, Nebraska Municipal Power Pool 5,061.00, and Northeast Nebraska News 239.76

Streets: Appera 25.00, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska 657.94, Backus Sand & Gravel 794.40, Bank of Hartington 2,536.89, Bomgaars 1,376.72, Carhart Lumber 416.36, D&J Variety 1.99, EMC Insurance 1,215.00, Farmers Union Coop 1,515.61, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 1,053.36, Grossenburg Implement 872.89, Hartington Auto & Truck Parts 351.39, JEO 3,000.00, Kruse True Value 33.93, Midwest Service & Sales 1,115.90, Miller Painting & Decorating 17,825.00, Overhead Door Company 89.00, Plumbing & Electric 37.40, and US Cellular 47.53

Water: Blue Cross/Blue Shield 2,585.08, Bank of Hartington 166.67, Bomgaars 43.31, Carhart Lumber 244.37, Cedar-Knox PPD 868.66, EMC Insurance 911.24, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 363.78, Hartington Shopper 72.20, Nebraska Public Health 114.00, One Call Concepts 6.24, Peitz Service 50.72, Steffen Electric 53.10, and US Cellular 30.77

Sewer: Bomgaars 118.92, EMC Insurance 1,311.64, Grossenburg Implement 467.78, Hartington Auto & Truck Parts 58.27, Hartington Shopper 72.20, C. Kramer 187.60, One Call Concepts 6.24, Steffen Electric 159.30, USA Blue Book 834.06. and Wied-N-Ridge 3,702.00

Sanitation: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska 1,745.40, Bank of Hartington 166.66, Bomgaars 11.99, Colonial Life 356.25, EMC Insurance 1,118.34, Farmers Union Coop 519.95, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 408.00, Hartington Shopper 72.20, LP Gill, Inc. 7,190.04, and Peitz Service 58.10

Fire: Bullseye Fire Sprinkler 295.00, D&J Variety 4.99, Dearborn National Life 107.68, EMC Insurance 483.24, Farmers Union Coop 152.36, Garvin's CB Shop 150.00, Hartelco 45.82, Hartington Auto & Truck Parts 95.30, Jerry's Service 31.75, Peitz Service 858.82, and US Cellular 61.54

Ambulance: Burnell's Foodtown 47.52, D&J Variety 4.99, EMC Insurance Companies 317.54, Farmers Union Coop 234.43, Garvin's CB Shop 67.89, Hartelco 45.82, Kruse True Value 69.98, Stryker Sales 394.01, and US Cellular 160.57

Cemetery: Cedar Knox Rural Water 53.00

Recreation: Carhart Lumber 1,102.99

Parks: Bomgaars 121.81, Central Valley Ag 271.03, Farmers Union Coop 87.62, and R. Sudbeck 6,559.65

Complex: Farmers Union Coop 104.20, Hartelco 44.20, and Kruse True Value 10.00

Library: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska 3,727.66, Bank of Hartington 333.34, Burnell's Foodtown 41.43, D&J Variety 135.94, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 357.52, and Hartelco 170.23

City Hall: Burnell's Foodtown 10.29, Colonial Life 109.02, D&J Variety 64.84, Eakes Office Solutions 72.35, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 367.30, Hometown Leasing 62.05, Kruse True Value 21.99, and Premier Lawn & Landscaping 35.00

Auditorium: Appeara 59.00, Bomgaars 16.99, Carhart Lumber 1.39, C. Folkers 14.89, and R. Sudbeck 300.00

Economic

Development: Franklin Templeton Investor Services 205.80, Hartelco 53.98, and Hometown Leasing 31.02

Transfer

Station: Bomgaars 26.03, Carhart Lumber 17.49, Cedar-Knox PPD 170.17, Deere Credit 461.28, EMC Insurance 483.24, Farmers Union Coop 697.76, Folkers Brothers Garage 11.52, Gill Hauling 1,470.69, Hartelco 46.69, Kruse True Value 47.96, and Peitz Service 38.72

Total Payroll for the month of November 2021 was \$50,119.05.

A motion to pay the bills except for the Peitz Service, JEO, and Roman Sudbeck bills was made by Peitz and seconded by Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried. A motion to pay the Roman Sudbeck bill was made by Peitz and seconded by Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Becker – yes. Sudbeck abstained and signed a Potential Conflict of Interest Statement. A motion to pay the JEO and Peitz Service bills was made by Bartling and seconded by 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 Peitz and seconded by Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 P.M. The next scheduled meeting is for January 10, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Schaecher
City Clerk - Treasurer