

The Hartington City Council met on June 14, 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 Sudbeck and Bartling; City Clerk – Treasurer Schaecher; and Deputy Clerk Carlson. Councilmen Christensen and Peitz were absent and Legal Advisor Pier was present via zoom.

Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 7:02 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 May 24, 2021 meeting and May 2021 Treasurer's Report was made by Bartling and seconded by Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Sudbeck – yes, and Becker – yes. Motion carried.

No one from the Cedar County Sheriff's Department was present to discuss the May 2021 Sheriff's Report.

A building permit for Preston Leise – Housing Addition was presented and reviewed. Councilman Sudbeck made a motion to approve the permit and this was seconded by Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Sudbeck – yes, and Becker – yes. Motion carried.

Some changes to the Variance Committee members were presented to the Council by Clerk Schaecher. Jerome Feilmeier is resigning and John Freeman and Michael Hoepfner have requested to be appointed. Councilman Sudbeck made a motion to approve the resignation and the appointments and these were seconded by Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Sudbeck – yes, and Becker – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Becker offered appreciation for Jerome Feilmeier's years of service.

The next item on the agenda was a request from Mike and Karil Adams to block Oak Avenue from the intersection of Main Street to the alley just south of their property on July 03, 2021 for a private celebration. A motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Bartling and seconded by Councilman Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Sudbeck – yes, and Becker – yes.

Dale Bohac from JEO Consulting approached the Council to discuss Pay Application Number 1 and Change Order Number 1 from A&R Construction. Dale explained a box culvert was discovered on Broadway Avenue that was not consistently covered in concrete. Eight inches of concrete were needed to cover the box. So, a change order of \$30,919.26 is being requested. Dale thanked Councilman Sudbeck for stopping out at the sight to assess the situation. A motion to approve Pay Application Number 1 and Change Order Number 1 from A&R Construction 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.

Department Reports:

Park – Councilman Peitz: Absent

Pool/Interim Gun Range – Councilman Bartling: The swimming pool has been running smoothly.

Complex/Auditorium – Councilman Sudbeck: Cory from Denison Tennis and Track will be at the complex on June 23rd from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. to assess future costs. There was no report on the auditorium.

Fire/Ambulance-Councilman Christensen: Absent

General – Mayor Becker: None

Steve Pier: None. Mayor Becker stated it may be a few weeks before the City receives the funds from the Clifford Filips Estate and wanted to make sure that there were no restrictions. Pier stated that as far as he knew, there were no restrictions, but would have more information at the next meeting.

Clerk Schaecher: None

Deputy Clerk Carlson: None

Public Comments: Peggy Year asked the Council if the Karil and Mike Adams would still have to follow the fireworks ordinance and was told yes, they would. Peggy Year asked Councilman Sudbeck what was being looked at for the track. Councilman Sudbeck stated he is hoping that there is still a couple of years before track replacement, but is it showing significant wear, so would like an opinion on options.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General: EMC Insurance 7,504.70, Great America Financial Services 230.16, Hartelco 291.99, Hartington Shopper 66.90, Nebraska Municipal Power Pool 1,076.06, and Northeast Nebraska News Company 246.20

Streets: Appera 22.89, Bank of Hartington 2,353.56, Bomgaars 95.43, Carhart Lumber 9.99, Certified Testing Services 1,038.00, EMC Insurance 1,144.56, Farmers Union Coop 573.45, Fischer Fee & Supply 138.00, Grossenburg Implement 600.00, JEO 114.00, NPPD 3,169.77, Pomp's Tire Service 1,508.90, Plumbing & Electric 178.34, US Cellular 62.14, and US Able Life 14.50

Water: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska 2,585.08, Bank of Hartington 166.67, Carhart Lumber 7.58, Cedar-Knox PPD 1,210.06, EMC Insurance 858.42, Kruse True Value 10.19, NPPD 639.50, One Call Concepts 23.26, Peitz Service 24.88, US Cellular 30.44, and US Able Life 14.50

Sewer: Bomgaars 48.72, EMC Insurance 1,235.61, Grossenburg Implement 41.10, Kruse True Value 10.18, Midwest Laboratories 409.00, NPPD 2,639.97, One Call Concepts 23.26, USA Blue Book 319.38, and Wiechelman's Repair Shop 908.63

Sanitation: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska 1,745.40, Bank of Hartington 166.66, Colonial Life 356.25, EMC Insurance 1,053.52, LP Gill 5,118.12, Peitz Service 54.55, Stop N Go 389.88, and US Able Life 29.00

Fire: EMC Insurance 455.22, Farmers Union Coop 41.12, Hartelco 46.09, Hartington Shopper 257.25, Leise Lawn Care 305.00, NPPD 111.31, Peitz Service 883.68, and US Cellular 60.90

Police: Cedar County Sheriff 13,265.91

Ambulance: Burnell's Foodtown 3.04, EMC Insurance 299.15, Farmers Union Coop 80.25, Grainger 377.02, Hartelco 46.08, J. Jones 460.00, C. Meirose 325.00, Matheson Tri-Gas 80.47, NPPD 79.74, T. Pedersen 585.00, M. Thoene 740.00, and US Cellular 159.56

Cemetery: Cedar Knox Rural Water 55.00 and T. Albers 1,900.00

Recreation: A. Kleinschmit 55.00, Carhart Lumber 53.94, C. Hochstein 80.00, NPPD 63.16, and Trent Becker Graphics 120.00

Pool: Art Kathol Appliance 3,643.02, Carhart Lumber 22.32, D&J Variety 8.97, Fremont YMCA 25.00, Hawkins 307.38, Hartington Shopper 183.75, Kruse True Value 76.44, NPPD 47.37, Nordby Fencing 1,750.00, Northeast Nebraska News 82.80, Peitz Service 46.26, Wayne Swim Meet 25.00, Wahoo Swim Meet 25.00, and West Point Swim Meet 25.00

Parks: Bomgaars 50.44, Carhart Lumber 17.90, Farmers Union Coop 131.91, Floor Maintenance 453.67, Grossenburg Implement 19,689.26, H&N Repair 15.24, Hartington Tree 600.00, Kruse True Value 267.67, NPPD 631.81, Plumbing & Electric 237.90, Randy Kathol Construction 594.85, Recreonics 86.07, Trent Becker Graphics 412.00, and Tri-State Turf & Irrigation 131.44

Complex: Bomgaars 60.21, Carhart Lumber 121.02, Farmers Union Coop 109.00, Floor Maintenance 453.67, Hartelco 44.61, NPPD 77.37, Plumbing & Electric 226.84, Tri-State Turf & Irrigation 661.50, and X-Pert Lawn and Landscaping 1,700.00

Library: T. Anderson 150.00, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska 4,720.78, Bank of Hartington 333.34, D&J Variety 71.35, Hartelco 170.23, NPPD 264.03, and US Able Life 29.00

City Hall: Colonial Life 109.02, D&J Variety 69.98, Eakes Office Solutions 8.98, Floral Designs 44.94, Koch-Tramp Plumbing & Heating 58.50, NPPD 227.42, Premier Lawn & Landscaping 240.00, and USAble Life 29.00

Auditorium: Appeara 59.67, Bomgaars 84.54, Kruse True Value 132.44, and NPPD 69.78

Economic
Development: Hartelco 53.98

Transfer
Station: Cedar-Knox PPD 116.33, EMC Insurance 455.22, Farmers Union Coop 441.21, Hartelco 47.21, and Hartington Auto & Truck Parts 28.22

Total Payroll for the month of May2021 was \$42,905.87.

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

A motion to adjourn was made by Sudbeck and seconded by Bartling. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Sudbeck – yes, and Becker – yes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M. The next scheduled meeting is for June 28, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Schaecher
City Clerk - Treasurer