

The Hartington City Council met on August 24, 2020 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 Christensen, Sudbeck, Peitz, and Bartling; City Clerk – Treasurer Schaecher, Deputy Clerk Carlson, and Legal Advisor Pier.

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 August 10, 2020 meeting and August 17, 2020 Budget Workshop was made by Christensen and seconded by Sudbeck. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried.

A building permit was presented and reviewed from Jeremy and Jodi Kneifl – Deck Addition. A motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Peitz to approve the permits. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – 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: None

General – Mayor Becker: None

Steve Pier: The lease for LaVerle Heimes may end up on the tax roll due to it being leased to a private person, so an amendment will have to be made to the lease. Mayor Becker stated he will check with Don Hoelsing for the cost.

Clerk Schaecher: The Council will need to look over the One and Six Year Street Plan and the budget figures that were placed in their packets in preparation for the hearings on September 14, 2020.

Deputy Clerk Carlson: None

Public Comments: Rob Dump asked for the time of the hearing and special meeting regarding sales tax that will be held on August 31, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General: Kennedy, Pier, Loftus, & Reynolds 400.00

Streets: Blue Cross/Blue Shield 2,843.86, Black Hills Energy 103.61, Bomgaars 85.51, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 487.05, JEO 13,149.90, Leise Concrete 1,075.00, NPPD 3,193.50, and Topkote, Inc. 6,255.50

Water: Blue Cross/Blue Shield 2,862.83, Bomgaars 53.56, Cedar-Knox PPD 1,567.11, Folkers Painting 1,400.00, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 328.31, Hach Company 63.37, Nebraska Public Health 818.00, NPPD 1,393.81, and USA Blue Book 208.43

Sewer: Black Hills Energy 50.71, Bomgaars 46.97, JEO 1,102.50, and NPPD 3,665.55

Sanitation: Blue Cross/Blue Shield 1,594.94, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 502.64, LP Gill, Inc. 6,648.18, and Stop N Go 346.34

Fire: Black Hills Energy 16.02, NPPD 183.52, and R. Jueden 257.50

Ambulance: Black Hills Energy 16.03, Emergency Medical Products 37.66, Grainger 82.90, NPPD 149.31, R. Jueden 257.50, and Steffen Drug Store 12.69

Cemetery: Bomgaars 52.99 and T. Albers 1,800.00

Recreation: NPPD 68.42

Pool: Black Hills Energy 60.57 and NPPD 1,155.54

Parks: Bomgaars 87.31, NPPD 812.48, and Pearson Motor Company 227.09

Complex: Bomgaars 40.71, Leise Concrete 9,035.00, NPPD 322.25, Tri-State Turf & Irrigation 347.00, and X-Pert Lawn and Landscaping 1,500.00

Library: T. Anderson 140.70, Blue Cross/Blue Shield 4,360.11, Black Hills Energy 27.68, Eakes Office Solutions 9.76, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 293.96, Hometown Leasing 48.40, Ingram 797.11, Midwest Tape 70.46, NPPD 445.82, Penworthy 276.85, and X-Pert Lawn and Landscaping 1,045.00

City Hall: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska (582.51), Black Hills Energy 30.95, Franklin Templeton Investor Services 184.84, NPPD 253.30, Premier Lawn & Landscaping 255.38, and Tri-State Turf & Irrigation 138.42

Auditorium: Black Hills Energy 148.53 and NPPD 59.32

Economic Development: Franklin Templeton Investor Services 172.44

Transfer Station: Bomgaars 83.30, Cedar-Knox PPD 114.51, Gill Hauling 1,424.61, and JEO 5,698.75

A motion to pay the bills except for JEO was made by Councilman Bartling and seconded by Councilman Christensen. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling – yes, Christensen – yes, Peitz – yes, and Sudbeck - yes. Motion carried. A motion to pay the JEO bill was made by Councilman Bartling and seconded by Councilman Christensen. A roll call vote was taken. Bartling –yes, Christensen – yes, and Sudbeck – 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, Christensen – yes, Peitz– yes, and Sudbeck – yes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 P.M. The next scheduled meeting is for September 14, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Schaecher  
City Clerk - Treasurer