

**OFFICIAL PUBLICATION
CITY OF HARTFORD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, June 18, 2019, 6:30 P.M.
Hartford City Hall, 150 W. Elm St**

Officials present were Mayor Kandi S. Petry and council members Sophia Eckert, Lindsey Clark, Mark Goldsberry, Amanda Peterson, and Dana Smith via telephone. Also present were City Clerk Travis Goldsberry, Public Works Steve Eckert, attorney Matt Brick, and Fire Chief Zack Prickett. In attendance were Snyder and Associates engineer Jordan Stoermer. Mayor Petry called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Eckert, seconded by Clark to approve agenda items as written; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Eckert to approve May 21 regular council meeting and May 29 special council meeting minutes, seconded by Clark; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Eckert to receive and file April and May 2019 Sheriff's reports, seconded by Goldsberry; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Goldsberry, seconded by Eckert, to file and receive May 2019 Fire/EMS report; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Eckert to approve expenditures and additional expenditures, seconded by Peterson; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Clark, to approve payroll. Ayes: Clark, Peterson, and Smith. Abstain: Goldsberry and Eckert. Motion carried.

Mayor Petry welcomed guests and opened floor for public comment. Betterment Committee representative Connie Goldsberry discussed completing concrete projects for the new park bench and arbor, flagpoles, and LED sign. Discussed elevating the LED sign for citizens to see traffic. Discussed Prairie Meadows grant; will know if received after July 1.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Kandi S. Petry noted Public Works employment interviews were complete.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Steve Eckert discussed driveway culverts; ordinance reviewed. Receiving bids for new Public Works building. Dump truck and tractor are now operational. Fire Department and Hometown Pride signs are installed. Ditches dug at Duncan and Jalea streets. DOT contacted in regards to highway land usage. Discussion on storm water flowing into sewers during rain possibly caused by citizen sump pumps. Discussed cleaning of North View Ct to help storm water flow. Discussed installing no parking signs on south side of Jalea Street.

FIRE/RESCUE REPORT

Chief Zack Prickett informed council of five-year physicals on July 8, including fit tests. Discussed trauma conference for medics. Fire department to participate in Carlisle and Milo July 4 parades; will also participate with Webb's campground. New exterior lighting donated for north side of fire department; will contact electrician to donate labor to install. Electrician donating labor for compressor maintenance. Discussed 911 board meeting; Board of Supervisors possibly get grant for small

communities. Suburban will go back to sealed bid; will advertise for two weeks. Discussed communication issues with EMS Billing Services; looking to move to company offering face to face contact and flat rate billing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

-City park inspection performed by Sophia Eckert. Equipment bolts were tightened and seat heights adjusted. New bearings for swings need installed. Discussed painting the pump house. Discussed hosting another fundraiser but waiting for Prairie Meadows grant decision. Discussed phases for new equipment; shipping and labor costs for each phase.

-Snyder & Associates reviewing latest Lemna file before sending to DNR. Outflow test results for Butcher Creek, Middle River, and Des Moines River are complete. Will create new costs plans and set up meeting for July 2.

CLERK REPORT

Travis Goldsberry reported new Peoples Bank checking and credit card accounts are open. Lockbox at Great Western bank is closed. Wex Fleet account is open and cards will be mailed. ACH forms have been sent to Warren County for property tax, debt service, and tax liens. Nuisance abatement letters are being sent. Discussed sidewalk repairs and speed limit sign installation.

IT REPORT

Lynn Schattner of Cyber Solutions discussed new wireless internet at City Hall and Fire Department. Discussed quotes for camera system at lagoon with option to rent or purchase.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council discussed Ecologix proposal; tabled until more bids are reviewed; fire chief would like to include occupancy switches in proposals. Public Works employee interviews complete; waiting on references and background checks. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Goldsberry to hire Brandon Bennett as Public Works Support position contingent on background check and pre-employment physical; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Clark, seconded by Peterson to hire Steve Eckert as Public Works Senior position contingent on background check and pre-employment physical; motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Clark, Peterson, Goldsberry, and Smith. Abstain: Eckert. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Clark to offer wages of \$18 for support position and \$25 to senior position; motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Clark, Peterson, Goldsberry, and Smith. Abstain: Eckert. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Clark to approve Credit Card Limit Resolution 061819-01; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Peterson to approve \$900 upgrade of OmniSite from 3G to 4G by JetCo; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Eckert to approve Cigarette Permit for Git-n-Go Convenience Store; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Goldsberry to approve name change on Hartford Sportsman's Club Alcohol Beverage License from Stephen Darr to Blair Dewey; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Council discussed installing parking signs at city park locations. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Clark for public hearing on updating Parking Regulations Ordinance 69; motion carried by voice vote. Council discussed renting temporary water meters to

regulate sewer charges for new housing and swimming pools; tabled until July meeting. Lynn Schattner of Cyber Solutions discussed city logo for new website and brochure. Brochure for free wifi will be reviewed by city attorney. Fire Chief Prickett discussed leaking hose extenders causing flat tires on fire engine 521. Chief Prickett presented quotes to repair wheels on fire engine 522. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Peterson to approve quote from Dillon Cross Tire to replace wheels and tires on fire engine 522; motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Chief Prickett discussed the need for new entrance doors on the fire station to avoid security issues; will get quotes to replace doors and frames. He also discussed the seals and trim on the garage doors on the south side of the fire station; water is entering station during rain. Chief Prickett discussed sending one firefighter to EMS school. Grants have been used to pay for school the last six years but are no longer available. Cost is \$1400 per person; training budget will cover costs. Councilperson Smith discussed renovations for city hall including new carpet, paint, and drywall in the storage area; no action taken. City Clerk Travis Goldsberry presented quotes for shredding services; decided to save costs and have fire department destroy documents during burn training. Council discussed new approaches along Vine Street. Public Works to get written quote from Killen Concrete. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Peterson for new approach at Paint and Vine intersection on the east side at the church based on oral quote of \$5000 from Killen Concrete; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Council discussed demolition of old water works building attached to city hall and fire station. City Clerk Goldsberry to get updated quote from Iowa Demolition. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Clark to hire Iowa Demolition to remove old water works building based on new quote not to exceed \$28,000; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Councilperson Clark discussed possible contract with Kiya Koda for stray dogs; looking into a per dog contract where only city employees can make requests; tabled until more information is received. Council discussed meeting attendance and council compensation. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Goldsberry to hold public hearing to amend City Ordinance Chapter 17.06; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Council discussed spraying for mosquitos; no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Eckert, seconded by Peterson to adjourn; motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Mayor Petry adjourned regular city council meeting at 10:13 p.m.

Travis Goldsberry, Clerk

Attest: Kandi S. Petry, Mayor

NOTE: Minutes are unofficial until approved by council-final approval may include corrections.