

**CITY OF HARTFORD  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
HARTFORD CITY HALL 6:30 PM  
150 W ELM ST  
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025**

Attendees present in person or via video: Mayor Kandi Petry, Council Members: Sophia Eckert, Gregory Jennings and Rhonda Lanphier. Absent: Council Members: Andrea Jors and Haldean Wilson. City staff in attendance - Clerk Cynthia Crippen, Public Works Senior Steve Eckert, Fire Chief David DuShane II. Via phone: ISG Engineer Lenny Larson.

Mayor Petry called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance recited.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS:** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING: DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY – Purscell-Brown:** Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Jennings to open Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0. No Public Comment / No Written Concerns. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Lanphier to close Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING: DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY – Pirtle / Crawford:** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to open Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0. Pirtle had questions / concerns regarding the exchange of the property. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to close Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING: ORDERING CONSTRUCTION OF THE ALLEYWAY-BIDS:** Motion by Jennings, seconded by Eckert to open Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0. ISG-Lenny Larson presented bids from 3 different contractors & letter of recommendations. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to close Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Eckert approving the minutes from Regular Council Meeting February 18, 2025 and Special Council Meeting March 4, 2025. Motion carried 3-0.

**RECEIVE AND FILE:** Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Jennings to approve Sheriff report from February 2025, Fire report from February 2025. Motion carried 3-0.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**EXPENDITURES:** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve for the period February 15, 2025 – March 14, 2025. Motion carried 3-0

**PAYROLL:** Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Jennings to approve for period of February 15, 2025 – March 14, 2025 for Steve Eckert, Jed Hampton, David Smith and Cynthia Crippen. Motion carried 3-0.

**MAYOR** - Welcomed guest and no public comment.

**REPORTS** –Clerk, Fire Chief and Public Works

**OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Consideration & Possible Action

**Resolution 031825-1 to Dispose of Real Property – Purscell-Brown –** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Lanphier to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

**Resolution 031825-2 to Transfer/Exchange of Real Property – Pirtle / Crawford –** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to table to April 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

**Resolution 031825-3 Scope of Engagement with Ahlers & Cooney –** Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Jennings to approve motion carried 3-0.

**Resolution 031825-4 Adopting Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost for the Alleyway Improvements –** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

**Resolution 031825-5 Making Award of Construction Contract for the Alleyway Improvements –** Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Eckert to award Construction Contract to TK Concrete bid with alternate B for \$245,970.00 paid for with SRF Grant of \$330,000 and WQI Grant \$111,000.00. Motion carried 3-0.

**Ordinance 021825-1 Amending Chapter 56 Dog License – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** - Motion by Eckert, seconded by Lanphier to approve. Motion carried 3-0. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to waive the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Motion carried 3-0.

**Ordinance 021825-2 Amending Chapter 124 Mobile Food Truck – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** - Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 3-0. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to waive the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Motion carried 3-0.

**Public Works Dump Trailer – Quotes** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve D&S Midwest Trailers for \$11,000 to be paid 85% Roads & 15% PW Reserve. Motion carried 3-0.

**Digital Sign** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve up to \$6,000 towards a new digital sign. Motion carried 3-0.

**AEMT Training- Hampton** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve \$2,500 Rescue Training budget. Motion carried 3-0

**Sidewalk** – Mayor discussed that until we hear from the DOT with an outline of requirements to know what the next steps are to help guide the city the project is still at a standstill.

**NEW COUNCIL BUSINESS:** Consideration & Possible Action

**Event Lease Agreement – Lucky Wife Wine Slushies – 5/19/25 & 6/30/25** - Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

**Resolution 031825-6 Notice of Intent to Fill City Council Vacancy by Appointment** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **2025 Barbecue Bash**

**Event Approval** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve July 18-19, 2025. Motion carried 3-0.

**Street Closure – Motion by Eckert**, Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve close: Vine St from Main St – Locust St. & Elm St from Reynolds to Washington on July 18-19, 2025. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **Storm Siren**

**Siren Repair** – Motion by Lanphier, seconded by Jennings to approve \$2,389.80 Fire Reserve. Motion carried 3-0

**Siren Maintenance Contract** – Motion by Jennings, seconded by Lanphier to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

**Boat 2** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve donating out of service Boat 2 to Norther Warren. Motion carried 3-0.

**Sportsman Club Liquor License Renewal** – Motion by Jennings, seconded by Lanphier to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

No Parking / Standing will be seeking a clarification from the sheriff

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Jors, seconded by Jennings to adjourn meeting at 8:30 pm; motion carried 3-0.

Cynthia Crippen, Clerk

Kandi S. Petry, Mayor

Note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by Council-final approval may include corrections.