

**CITY OF HARTFORD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HARTFORD CITY HALL 6:30 PM
150 W ELM ST
TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026**

Attendees present in person: Mayor Kandi Petry, Council Members: Gregory Jennings, Laura Edenburn, Sophia Eckert, and Angel Wells. Absent- Andrea Jors. City staff in attendance - Clerk Cynthia Crippen, Public Works Steve Eckert and Fire Chief David DuShane II.

Mayor Petry called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS: Motion by Ecker, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARING: Not to Exceed \$330,000 Sewer Revenue Capital Loan Notes: Motion by Jennings to open Public Hearing. Motion carried 4-0. Mayor Petry informed council & citizens the purpose of the public hearing and the process that the city needs to take for the Hartford Permeable Paver Alley improvements. Clerk advised the Mayor and Council that 0 written objections had been filed and the Mayor called for objections to the issuance of the Notes and 0 objections were made. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried 4-0.

MINUTES: Motion by Jennings, seconded by Edenburn to a approving the minutes from Regular Council Meeting December 16, 2025. Motion carried 4-0.

RECEIVE AND FILE: Motion by Jennings, seconded by Wells to approve Sheriff report from December 2025, Fire report from December 2025. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Expenditures: Motion by Jennings, seconded by Edenburn to approve for the Period December 13, 2025 – January 16, 2026. Motion carried 4-0.

Payroll: Motion by Jennings, seconded by Eckert to approve for Period of December 13, 2025 – January 16, 2026 for Steve Eckert, Jed Hampton, Dave Smith, Cynthia Crippen, Kandi Petry, Sophia Eckert, Gregory Jennings, Andrea Jors, Laura Edenburn, Aaron Pressly and Angel Wells. Motion carried 4-0.

MAYOR – Welcomed guest no public comment.

REPORTS – Reports given by clerk, Fire Department and Public Works

COUNCIL BUSINESS: Consideration & Possible Actions

Resolution 012026-1 Instituting to Take Additional Action – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

Alley Restoration – Pay Application #4 – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

IMPACT FY 26 Service Agreement – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

City Owned Lot – W. Elm – Survey/Abstract – Clerk has been instructed to send alley sale notification to abutting property owners for the first step.

Parking on East Street – Petition – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Edenburn to add as a Ordinance Amendment to the February Agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Residential Scrap Tire Program – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Wells to approve. Motion carried 4-0

Road Closure – Easter 2026 – Motion by Jennings, seconded by Edenburn to approve and waive the fee. Motion carried 4-0.

Goats – Council instructed clerk to send abatement letter.

Veenstra & Kimm – Council instructed clerk to email for more engagement than new builds.

Schedule Budget Workshop – Set for February 3, 20226 @ 6:30pm

Set Property Tax Levy Public Hearing – March 24, 2026 – Motion by Edenburn, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 4-0

Set the Budget Amendment Public Hearing – February 17, 2026 – Motion by Jennings, seconded by Wells to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

Prairie Meadows Grant – Eckert will be applying for the grant to cover the expense of paving the parking at the memorial park.

Old Tanker Hard Suction – Donation – Motion by Edenburn, seconded by Jennings to approve the donation to the Martensdale Fire Department. Motion carried 4-0.

Sidewalk Funding Agreement – Motion by Edenburn, seconded by Eckert to approve pending Bonding Agent approval. Motion carried 4-0.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Clerk informed council of an abatement letter being sent out for Junk & Junk Vehicles.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to adjourn meeting at 7:55 pm; motion carried 4-0.

Cynthia Crippen, Clerk

Kandi S. Petry, Mayor

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