

**CITY OF HARTFORD  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
HARTFORD CITY HALL 6:30 PM  
150 W ELM ST  
TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2026**

Attendees present in person: Mayor Kandi Petry, Council Members: Sophia Eckert, Gregory Jennings and Laura Edenburn. 2 Vacant Seats. City staff in attendance - Clerk Cynthia Crippen, Fire Chief David DuShane and ISG Cameron Carroll.

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

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

**PUBLIC HEARING: FY 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET:** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to open Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0. Clerk presented the City FY 2027 Proposed Budget and showed the decline in revenue over the last 3 years. Citizen Glenda Dykstra asked about the usage of Road Use Dollars, Mayor Petry and Clerk addressed her questions. Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to close Public Hearing. Motion carried 3-0.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve the minutes from Tax Levy Public Hearing March 24, 2026 and Regular Council Meeting March 26, 2026. Motion carried 3-0.

**RECEIVE AND FILE:** Motion by Jennings, seconded by Eckert to approve Sheriff report from March 2026, Fire/EMS report from March 2026. Motion carried 3-0.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Expenditures:** Motion by Jennings, seconded by Edenburn to approve for the Period March 14, 2026 – April 17, 2026. Motion carried 3-0.

**Payroll:** Motion by Jennings, seconded by Edenburn to approve for the Period March 14, 2026 – April 17, 2026 for Steve Eckert, Dave Smith, Jed Hampton and Cynthia Crippen, Motion carried 3-0.

**MAYOR** – Welcomed guest: Kim Crook question regarding taking walnuts to the tree dump.

**REPORTS** – Reports given by Clerk, Fire/EMS, Public Works and ISG.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:** Consideration & Possible Actions

**Nancy Ferguson – Sewer Waiver** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion Carried 3-0.

**Tractor Replacement Quotes** – Tabled to May 19, 2026.

**Rotary Cutter Quotes** – Tabled to May 19, 2026.

**2026 Street Maintenance** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve Manatts quote for \$36,367.76. Motion carried 3-0.

**Phone/Fax Quotes** - Tabled to May 19, 2026 for more information.

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

**Lucky Wife (Getting Slushed) Liquor License** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

**Resolution 042126-1 Approve Adoption of Budget and Certification of City Taxes for FY 26/27** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

**Resolution 042126-2 Assessment of Unpaid Utility Charges – 800 S. Vine St.** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Edenburn to approve if not paid by May 10, 2026. Motion carried 3-0.

**Authorization Request for Water Line Relocate** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve Warren Water to relocate the water line for the new Fire Department Building. Motion carried 3-0.

**ETC! Graphics – Quote for Ambulance Decals** – Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to approve \$2134.00 budget dollars. Motion carried 3-0.

**Sidewalk** – Mayor Petry gave an update.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

Fire Chief DuShane opened up the discussion of change the time frame for the Open Burn regulations.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Eckert, seconded by Jennings to adjourn meeting at 7:37 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.