**City of Harvey Council Meeting Minutes**
**Monday, October 12th, 2026**
**6:00 pm**

The Harvey City Council met in regular session Monday, October 12th, 2026, at 6 p.m. at the Harvey Community Center/City Hall. Mayor Kelly Cooper presiding. Council Members present: Adam Dubois, Leonard Geery, Donald Nilius, Dennis Seibert, and Scott Starmer. Also present: Jennifer Geery- City Clerk. City Attorney- James Theobald. City of Harvey Residents: David Leeper, Amy Leeper Robbins, Bobbie Starmer and Kyle Van Roekel.

Agenda approved in a motion by Seibert, seconded by Nilius, all ayes, motion carries.
Previous Minutes of Monday, September 14th, 2026, approved in a motion by Dubois, seconded by Geery all ayes, motion carries.
Financial Report for September 2026 approved in a motion by Geery, seconded by Seibert, all ayes, motion carries.
Approved Annual Financial Report FY 2025-2026 in a motion by Dubois, seconded Starmer, all ayes, motion carries.
Approved amended and restated 28E Agreement with Marion County Rural Water District in a motion by Nilius, seconded by Geery, all ayes, motion carries.
Reviewed city attorney Jake Hughes resignation letter.
Accepted city attorney Jake Hughes resignation in a motion by Seibert seconded by Geery, all ayes, motion carries.
Discussed new city attorney.
Approved appointing Hinders Updegraff Franklin & Limkemann, PLC as city attorney for the City of Harvey, Iowa in a motion by Nilius, seconded by Geery, all ayes, motion carries.
Approved Resolution 1-10-12-26 appointing Hinders Updegraff Franklin &Limkemann, PLC as city attorney for the City of Harvey, Iowa, approving terms of representation and providing for the transition of legal services in a motion by Geery, seconded by Dubois, all ayes, motion carries.
Council asked new city attorney James Theobald general questions concerning nuisance abatement.
Starmer asked if council members are allowed to contact the attorney directly with future questions.
Theobald responded technically yes but it is best practice for the city clerk or mayor to manage communication.
Discussed nuisance abatement.
Offer to purchase 201 3rd Street, Harvey, IA from Gary VanderHeiden for $5,000.00 was declined. Property has been sold to another party.
Approved Superior Line Striping & Construction repairing storm drain near 613 Burlington Street in a motion by Nilius, seconded by Dubois, all ayes, motion carries.
Approved purchase of cones costing a total of $67.48 for storm drain near 600 Burlington Street in a motion by Starmer, seconded by Dubois, all ayes, motion carries.
Discussed disposal options for limbs and debris. Options are limited. Starmer stated he could help with small loads. Nilius will investigate other options moving forward. Discussion will continue at the next regular meeting.
Discussed IT options for city computer and Microsoft Business program. City Clerk will provide IT options at the next regular meeting.
Council discussed personally donating hotdogs and supplies to serve hotdogs to the community on Beggars' Night October 30th, 2026. No city funds will be used. Bobbie Starmer will make/post flyers.
Approved serving hotdogs at the Community Center/City Park on Beggars' Night October 30th, 2026, using only donations from the city council and their families, no city funds will be used in a motion by Seibert, seconded by Starmer, all ayes motion carries.
Approve to pay bills in a motion by Geery, seconded by Nilius.
Discussed potential city improvements including rock around park, fencing around coal cart, repairing stage at park, storage building, staging ditches and added a multi-use concrete court for recreation. Amy Leeper Robbins suggested that local kids/students should be recognized on the community Facebook page for their accomplishments. Council referred her to Bobbie Starmer who manages the community Facebook page. Council will consider ideas. No action taken.
Held Open Forum. No action taken.
Approved to adjourn in a motion Geery, seconded by Starmer, all ayes, motion carries.

Attest:

Jennifer Geery, City Clerk

| September Fund Summery | Revenue/Transfers In | Expenditures/Transfers Out |
|---|---|---|
| General | $5,409.32 | $6,497.24 |
| Garbage | $2,454.00 | $3,276.41 |
| LOST | $3,861.32 | $6,498.15 |
| Road Use Tax | $2,566.28 | $273.17 |
| Water | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| Sewer | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| Employee Benefit | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| Total | $14,290.92 | $16,544.97 |

**Approved Claims**
**09/15/26-10/12/26**

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| Elan Financial Services | MSFT Fees and envelopes with postage | $1,069.39 |
| Windstream | City Phone | $326.22 |
| Mid-American Energy | Electric | $357.44 |
| Marion County Bank | Service Charge | $4.71 |
| IPERS | | $265.93 |
| United State Treasury | Tax Deposit | $558.66 |
| Cooper, Kelly | Mayor Gas Reimbursement | $99.47 |
| Geery, Jennifer | City Clerk Milage Reimbursement | $51.04 |
| Geery, Jennifer | City Clerk Partial Internet Reimbursement | $49.48 |
| Country Trash | City Wide Trash pick-up September 2026 | $2,091.00 |
| Marion County Express | Legal Publication | $120.81 |
| Farm & Home | Park Supplies | $25.34 |
| Iowa One Call | Email Charges | $19.80 |
| Aspen Outdoor Services | Brush removal, burning and seeding | $3,522.44 |
| Menninga Pest Control | Pest Control | $42.80 |
| Superior Line Striping & Construction | sweeping streets of excess rock | $1,709.10 |
| Marion County Rural Water District | City Hall/CB Water and Sewer | $63.46 |
| Payroll | | $1,154.94 |
| Total | | $11,532.03 |