

The public was offered to participate by Zoom audio internet connection or by phone.

The City Council of the City of Harlan, Iowa met pursuant to law and the rules of said Council in regular session, in the Council Chambers at 5:15 o'clock P.M. the 15th day of September 2026. The meeting was called to order by Jay Christensen, Mayor in the Chair, and the following Council members were:

PRESENT: Jennifer Kelly, Richard Petersen, Aaron Nippert, Troy Schaben, Sharon Kroger.

PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY: Kyle Lindberg

ABSENT: None

The City Clerk presented the agenda. It was moved by Schaben and seconded by Petersen to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

The Mayor asked the Council members to state any conflicts of interest, as applicable.

All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion with a roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion. Consent Agenda items may include any non-controversial subjects.

- A. Minutes of the 09-01-26 Council meeting
- B. Claims List No. 1370 in the amount of \$204,297.20
- C. Expenditure & Revenue reports for the month of July 2026 and August 2026
- D. HMU Sewer & Landfill Reconciliation Report for July 2026
- E. Sheriff's Statistical Report for August 2026
- F. Ownership amendment for Casey's General Store #2914 on Class "E" Retail Alcohol License and Retail Tobacco License

It was moved by Nippert and seconded by Kroger that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved and adopted. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried and the Consent Agenda items were approved and adopted.

Council Member Petersen introduced Resolution No. 2651 – Resolution to adopt the Regional Planning Affiliates 13 & 18 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. Council Member Kelly seconded the motion. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried and the Resolution was duly adopted.

It was moved by Kroger and seconded by Schaben to approve Engagement Letter with Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. regarding Amended and Restated Urban Revitalization Plan. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Nippert introduced Resolution No. 2652 – Resolution determining the necessity and fixing a date for a public hearing on the matter of the adoption of a Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Amended and Restated Urban Revitalization Plan for the Harlan Urban Revitalization Area. Council Member Lindberg seconded the motion. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried and the Resolution was duly adopted.

Council Member Petersen introduced Resolution No. 2653 – Resolution adopting the Joint Hazard Mitigation Plan for Harlan, Iowa. Council Member Lindberg seconded the motion. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried and the Resolution was duly adopted.

Council Member Petersen introduced Resolution No. 2654 – Resolution setting dates of a consultation and a public hearing on a proposed Amendment No. 2 to the Amended and Restated Harlan Urban Renewal Plan in the City of Harlan, State of Iowa. Council Member Kelly seconded the motion. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried and the Resolution was duly adopted.

It was moved by Lindberg and seconded by Kroger to approve River Access Project Payment #4 to Christensen Bros, Inc. in the amount of \$137,279.04. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Petersen and seconded by Kroger to receive and file Park and Recreation Committee meeting minutes from 09-14-26. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Petersen and seconded by Schaben to approve recommendation for RFP bid for Cyclone Tennis Courts to Tennis Courts Unlimited. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

The City Administrator presented his report.

The Mayor presented his report.

It was moved by Kroger and seconded by Schaben to appoint Zachary Schmitz to the Board of Adjustment Commission for a 5-year term to expire 07/01/2031. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Updates were presented by the Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Harlan Municipal Utilities, and the Shelby County Sheriff's Department.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Ashley Schleis, City Clerk

Jay Christensen, Mayor

“These minutes are as recorded by the Clerk and are subject to Council approval at the next regular meeting.”