CITY OF HARLAN – HARLAN, IOWA – AUGUST 4, 2026

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 4th day of August 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, Kyle Lindberg, Aaron Nippert, Troy Schaben, Sharon Kroger.
ABSENT: None

The City Clerk presented the amended agenda. It was moved by Lindberg and seconded by Schaben to approve the amended 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 07-21-26 Council meeting
B. Claims List No. 1367 in the amount of $700,655.66
C. New Application for Now & Forever IA LLC Class E Retail Alcohol License
D. Approval of FY 2026-2027 Now & Forever Harlan Cigarette/Tobacco/ Nicotine/Vapor Permits

It was moved by Petersen 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.

Nicki Ranney was present to discuss electric scooters.

Council Member Lindberg introduced Resolution No. 2647 – Resolution setting the salaries for appointed officers and employees of the City of Harlan for the Fiscal Year 2026-27. Council Member Kroger 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 Nippert to approve City of Harlan Conference, Training and Event Registration Policy. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Lindberg and seconded by Petersen to approve River Access Project payment #3 to Christensen Bros, Inc. in the amount of $95,788.16. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Nippert and seconded by Kroger to approve recommendation to change gravel at River Access Project to Class D from Class C in the amount not to exceed $10,000. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Lindberg introduced Resolution No. 2648 – Setting Public Hearing Date of 08-18-2026 at 5:15 P.M., on Proposed Sale of City Property, 406 Tarkington Street. Council Member Kroger 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 Lindberg introduced Resolution No. 2649 – approving Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) 2026 Street Finance Report and Authorizing the City Clerk to Sign Same. Council Member Nippert seconded the motion. Roll call vote: AYES: Kelly, Petersen, Lindberg, Nippert, Schaben, Kroger. NAYS: None. Motion carried and the Resolution was duly adopted.

The City Administrator presented his report.

The Mayor presented his report.

Updates were presented by the Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Harlan Municipal Utilities and 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."