

**CITY OF HARTFORD
COMMON COUNCIL
January 27, 2026**

The Common Council of the City of Hartford, Washington and Dodge Counties, Wisconsin, met for its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, 7:00 p.m., in the Common Council Chambers of Hartford City Hall, 109 North Main Street, Mayor Dennis Regan presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Regan led the Common Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The Mayor and all Alderpersons were present with Alderperson Kohler appearing via Zoom and Alderperson Savage who is absent and excused.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Alderperson Rusniak, seconded by Alderperson Pechacek approving the following items:

1. The Common Council minutes of January 13, 2025.
2. Awarding the purchase of the 2026 Grasshopper Riding Lawn Mower to Egelhoff Lawn Mower Service Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$21,805.10.
3. Authorizing the appropriate City officials to purchase one Morbark BVR19 Woodchipper from LF George, Inc. at a total cost not to exceed \$80,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMUNICATIONS

City Clerk Shanna Kreilkamp advised that she received an email from Mid-Moraine in regard to two separate pieces of Legislation that are being introduced addressing the increase of Municipal Court fees. There will be a Public Hearing on January 28, 2026, at 10:00AM.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Regan read the Proclamation proclaiming February 20, 2025, as Scott MacFarlan Day. Police Chief Scott MacFarlan is retiring after 30 years of outstanding service with the City of Hartford.

ALDERMANIC REQUESTS

All Alderperson thanked Chief MacFarlan for all his years of service with the City of Hartford.

Alderperson Kirley is requesting the ten candidates running for the Governor's Office to take the time and develop some thoughtful position papers addressing what their plan is with the current levy limits and state shared revenue parameters.

Alderperson Pechacek also wanted to thank the city staff for their hard work during this extremely cold weather.

**RESOLUTIONS
AND POSSIBLE ACTION THEREON**

1. Resolution No. 3758 – A Resolution requesting our State Legislators to Oppose Assembly Bill 885.

a. City Administrator Steve Volkert explained that Alderperson Kirley requested that this opposition be brought before the Common Council. He explained that this bill would impact cities and villages regarding extraterritorial rights over neighboring townships.

MOTION by Alderperson Kirley, seconded by Alderperson Garza for the adoption of proposed Resolution No. 3758.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCES

FIRST READING AND POSSIBLE ACTION THERON

1) Ordinance No. 1526 – An Ordinance creating Chapter 4, Subchapter II regarding Code of Ethics and Amending Section 4.14 of the Hartford Municipal Code relating to City Attorney.

a. City Administrator Volkert stated that a state attorney recently recommended that communities establish an Ethics Board to address any issues that may come up. This Committee would meet on a case-by-case basis only.

MOTION by Alderperson Rusniak, seconded by Alderperson Pechacek to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of proposed Ordinance No. 1526.

MOTION by Alderperson Garza, seconded by Alderperson Kirley for the adoption of proposed Ordinance No. 1526.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2) Ordinance No. 1527 – An Ordinance amending Section 22.06 of the Municipal Code Regarding Loud Noises Prohibited.

a. City Administrator Volkert informed the Council that this Amendment would be creating an amendment to the Municipal Code regarding loud and unnecessary noises. This will address issues both commercially and residentially. This would also create a new Amplified Noise Permit at \$50.00 per.

MOTION by Alderperson Kirley, seconded by Alderperson Pechacek to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of proposed Ordinance No. 1527.

MOTION by Alderperson Waldvogel, seconded by Alderperson Kirley for the adoption of proposed Ordinance No. 1527.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Alderperson Webb, seconded by Alderperson Waldvogel for adjournment at 7:33 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,
Shanna Kreilkamp, City Clerk

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