

**MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 2016**

The newly elected Council assembled for their organizational meeting in the conference room in city hall at 6:00 p.m. on November 7, 2016. The following members were present: Mayor Jeff Sorrells, Jo Ann Lindsey, Bobby Burks, Ken Hales, Paul Fondren and Wendel Nolen.

Others in attendance: Vicky Marsh, Annie Ward, Dennis Dorriety, Jason Eubanks, Patricia Hales, Mae Burks, Maytress Grooms, Jasmine Burks, Annette Hilliard, Christine Wheeler, Jeff Lindsey, Thomas Grooms, Eddie Crawford, Christian Wheeler, Ava Wheeler, Anne Willard, Flora Helems, Kirstie Balwin, Michelle Craig, Alfreda Hilliard, Pastor Pamela Edwards, James Williams, Robert Jordan, Rosetter Gomes and George Gomes.

City Clerk Vicky Marsh called the meeting to order.

Attorney Jason Eubanks administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Jeff Sorrells, Councilmember Jo Ann Lindsey, Councilmember Bobby Burks, Councilmember Ken Hales, Councilmember Paul Fondren and Councilmember Wendel Nolen.

Mayor Sorrells gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

With the council having read the minutes from the regular meeting of October 17, 2016, Mayor Sorrells asked the wishes of the council. Councilmember Fondren moved to approve the minutes of October 17, 2016, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Nolen. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

AGENDA:

1. **ELECT MAYOR PRO TEM** –Councilmember Fondren moved to appoint Wendel Nolen as Mayor Pro Tem, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Burks. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
2. **RULES OF PROCEDURE** – Councilmember Nolen moved to continue with the current Rules of Procedure per Ordinance 01-21-11-1, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Fondren. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
3. **DESIGNATE DEPOSITORIES FOR MUNICIPAL FUNDS** – Councilmember Fondren moved to ratify use of First National Bank of Hartford and Friend Bank as the depositories for municipal funds, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Hales. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
4. **DESIGNATE OFFICERS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CHECKS** - Councilmember Fondren moved to designate the Mayor, City Clerk and Mayor Pro Tem as authorized signees of all city checks, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Nolen. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
5. **ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS** – Mayor Sorrells recommended appointing the following administrative officers and department heads: Vicky Marsh, City Clerk/Treasurer; Dennis Dorriety, Utility Superintendent; Annie Ward, Chief of


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Police; Andy Hovey, Fire Rescue Chief; Vernon Alford, Court Magistrate; Phil Eldridge, Judge; Jason Eubanks, Attorney; Stephanie Riley, Librarian; Wanda Dorriety, Senior Center Director; and Kerri Sullivan, Recreation Director. Councilmember Nolen moved to appoint the administrative officers and department heads per Mayor Sorrells' recommendation, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Lindsey. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no other business to come before this organization meeting of November 7, 2016, Councilmember Fondren moved to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Nolen. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.



Presiding Officer