

BLACKFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING DECEMBER 20, 2022

The Blackford County Council met in a special joint session meeting with the Blackford County Commissioners, City of Hartford City Common Council and Mayor Eckstein of Hartford City.

President Dan Borgenheimer called the meeting to order. Auditor Sharon Hartley call roll with Dan Borgenheimer, Ryan Goodspeed, Jack Beckley, Fred Tobey, and Kyle Lechien present. Patrick Cale attended on Zoom. Also in attendance were Blackford County Commissioners John Lancaster, John Oxley, and Laura Coons as well as City of Hartford City Common Council members Ron Dudelston, Ron Parrot and Dustin George, Mayor Dan Eckstein and Hartford City Clerk-Treasurer Dana Whatley, Warren Brown with Blackford Economic Development Corporation, Greg Martz with GM Development Corporation and contractor Eric Wilson and resident Mary Beal.

NEWBERRY BUILDING PROJECT Funding was the topic of the meeting. Warren Brown explained the scope of work needed to finish the building. Greg Martz discussed funding options and timelines. After much productive discussion, **Jack Beckley made a motion to explore \$1.8M in financing. Dan Borgenheimer 2nd and the vote was 5/1 with Kyle Lechien voting nay.**

With there being no further business from the Blackford County Council, Kyle Lechien made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm.

Approved this 4th day of January, 2023.

The Blackford County Board of Commissioners

Dan Borgenheimer, President

Jack Beckley, Member

Fred Tobey, Member

Kyle Lechien, Member

Karen Mealy, Vice President

Ryan Goodspeed, Member

Patrick Cale, Member

Attest, Sharon Hartley Auditor