

**CITY OF HARTFORD
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN
STATE OF MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION 2025– 042**



AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR CERTIFIED WATER, WASTEWATER OPERATOR AND CONSULTING SERVICES

At a Special meeting of the City of Hartford Commission, located at 19 West Main Street and called to order by Mayor Richard A. Hall on June 9, 2025

The following resolution was offered:

Moved by Commissioner _____ and supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford’s Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Operator of record, Andrew Warner, contract has expired and Mr. Warner does not wish to renew it, leaving the City without a licensed operator. Additionally, the City of Hartford’s Water Operator of record, Daniel Staunton, retired from the City in 2022 but continues to work part-time ensuring the water system and Iron Removal Plant (IRP) are in compliance with the City’s water distribution permit; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has been meeting with Quentin Clark, the president and founder of Professional Operator and Consulting Services, LLC (POCS). Mr. Clark has over 10 years of experience in the water industry and holds a certification as a water operator. He has prior experience in the Cities of South Haven, Dowagiac, Niles, and in the Villages of Cassopolis and Three Oaks; and

WHEREAS, POCS will hire WWTP Operator James Jonatzke, who has more than 30 years of experience in wastewater treatment. Mr. Jonatzke is a retired “A” operator from Benton Harbor – St. Joseph WWTP. Mr. Jonatzke has consulted and assisted with Hartford’s WWTP operations in the past. POCS currently holds contracts with the City of South Haven and the Villages of Decatur and Marcellus; and

WHEREAS, POCS is proposing a one-year contract in the amount of \$150,000 for both Wastewater Treatment Plant oversight and Drinking Water Distribution System oversight.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves the contract with Professional Operator and Consulting Services, LLC (POCS) and authorizes the City Manager to sign and execute the agreement effective immediately.

YEAS: Commissioners’

NAYS: ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

DATE: June 9, 2025

RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, City Clerk

I RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, Clerk for the City of Hartford, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the City Commission of the City of Hartford during a meeting held on June 9, 2025 and the public notice of said meeting was held in compliance with Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

DATE: June 9, 2025

RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, City Clerk
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