

Village of Howard City
Council Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2022

President Heckman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: VanWagner, Smith, MacTavish, Hagstrom, Williams, Heckman and Bassett. Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Smith seconded by MacTavish to approve the agenda as presented. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by Smith seconded by Bassett to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Public Comment: Dave Saucier inquired about potholes on Lincoln and Sherman and also stated the street sign at Orton and Legion is tipped.

Motion by VanWagner seconded by MacTavish to approve both the Investment Policy and Cash Handling Policy and Procedure. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by Hagstrom seconded by Williams to pay bills as presented totaling \$87,202.84. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by VanWagner seconded by Bassett to approve paying Protec bill of \$220.38. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon informed Council that we have received the 2021 MERS Actuarial Report and that we are fully funded in our Defined Benefit retirement.

Motion by VanWagner seconded by MacTavish to accept the DWAM grant hydrovac bid from Legacy Hydrovac of \$50,368.45. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon stated the Village had sent out a request for proposal for trash services in the Village. The bids were due by 1:30 on June 20 and bids were opened during this Council meeting. GFL and Granger was present at bid opening. Council requested to have all figures put into a spreadsheet to view and a special Council Meeting was set for Thursday, June 23, 2022, at 7:00 pm to award the trash services. A copy of the bids are attached to these minutes (see Attachment A).

Public Comment: Ron Baker was approached by the DNR to resolve issues between the DNR and the Road Commission regarding the paving of the White Pine Trail. Mr. Baker does not have any specifics at this time as to if the issues have been resolved.

Trustee Bassett requested to have more police coverage by Ensley Park during the evening hours with a reminder the park does close at 10 pm. Trustee Bassett also inquired about property damage caused by the gas company and the lines they are installing. Mr. Falcon stated the gas company will make repairs.

Trustee Smith stated she has been getting complaints about speeding vehicles on Emory Street and would like more patrols.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk

Randy Heckman, President