

Village of Howard City
Council Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2022

President Heckman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: VanWagner, Smith, Hagstrom, Williams, Heckman and Bassett. Absent: MacTavish.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Smith seconded by Bassett to approve the agenda as presented. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Motion by Williams seconded by Smith to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Public Comment: None.

Tara Allen from Montcalm Care Network presented Council with information regarding a Narcan vending machine in hopes of finding an appropriate spot to place the machine within Howard City. The area should be available 24/7 to all residents, in an area with no cameras, and be temperature controlled. After Council discussion, Mr. Falcon will reach out to area gas stations and possibly the post office to see if they would be willing to host the machines as the Village does not have any areas available that meets the criteria.

Motion by VanWagner seconded by Hagstrom to pay bills with the additions presented by the Treasurer of \$2,512.27 for a total of \$124,326.45. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Mr. Falcon stated on behalf of the Village, he wanted to thank the Harvest Festival Committee and everyone who helped with the Harvest Festival for a job well done and all the hard work that went into planning and executing the event.

Public Comment: Mr. Baker encouraged everyone to look at the Montcalm County budget as the Commissioners have a meeting next week to approve the budget. Dave Saucier inquired about the road repair schedule. Tara Allen commented that Montcalm Care Network participated in Harvest Festival for the first time last year and they were very impressed and looking forward to continue to participate in the future.

Trustee Bassett expressed concern for more police patrol around Ensley Park as there are many motorized vehicles that have been tearing up the area. Mr. Falcon stated he will speak with the Sheriff Department.

Trustee VanWagner inquired about the lack of participants in the light parade at Harvest Festival. President Heckman stated all surrounding areas had been contacted with the date and time; however, some fire chiefs do not want to spend the money to run their trucks for this type of event due to budgetary reasons.

President Heckman wanted to thank the Harvest Festival Committee and everyone who helped with the event.

Motion by Williams seconded by Bassett to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk

Randy Heckman, President