

Village of Howard City
Council Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2018

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

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

Public Comment: Ron Baker read an article from the Grand Rapids Press regarding marijuana.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to hold public hearings for the Planning Commission regarding the Medical Marijuana Ordinance and for the Zoning Board of Appeals for the special land use permit for Cypress Creek Solar Renewables to be held on September 17, 2018. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

President Heckman and Mr. Falcon informed the council that the Village received a \$15,000 grant from TransCanada who will be at the Village Offices on August 29 at 10 am for a presentation of the grant and for pictures and encouraged council members to attend.

Motion by Smith seconded by MacTavish to pay bills as presented totaling \$101,821.75. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon has started the process to begin rental inspections within the Village. There will be more to come on this as things progress.

Mr. Falcon updated the council on the MEDC grant he applied for and stated we are now on the third phase of the grant.

Mr. Falcon asked if any council members would like to participate in the Harvest Festival parade. The Village will provide t-shirts or some kind of banner if anyone wants to be involved.

Mr. Falcon asked permission from the Council to attend the MML Annual Convention and invited any council member to attend as well if they were interested. Mr. Falcon will be attending from September 20-22.

Mr. Falcon informed the Council of dinner invitations from Bloom Sluggett and Fleis and VandenBrink and if anyone was interested in attending to let him know by Tuesday, August 21.

All Council received a copy of the audit.

Mr. Falcon read two letters from Senator Gary Peters and Governor Rick Snyder congratulating the Village on attaining 150 years.

Public Comment: None.

Trustee MacTavish wanted to let everyone know he had nothing but good comments regarding the park that he had rented the past weekend. It was clean and the improvements were very welcomed.

Motion by MacTavish seconded by Bassett to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)