

Village of Howard City
Council Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2026

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

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

Public Comment: Faith Kwiatowski representing the Harvest Festival requested a signature from a council member to continue the process of obtaining a liquor license. The Harvest Festival Committee is partnering with BC Pizza for a possible burnout contest.

Mike Smith 327 Ensley – Requested the council members to tour the village and see if other businesses are keeping items outside of their businesses after hours. Requested a follow-up of what the council members observed.

Motioned by Wert seconded by Smith to approve a resolution to purchase, acquire, and construct improvements to the sanitary sewer system and to publish notice of intent to issue revenue bonds that were recommended by Bond Attorney. Rollcall: Wert -Y, MacTavish - Y, Williams - Y, Toner – Y, Smith - Y, Hagstrom - Y, Heckman – Y. Motion CARRIED (7-0).

Motioned by Toner seconded by MacTavish to approve and authorize Village Manager to execute DBIA Agreement with F&V. Rollcall: Toner – Y, Smith – Y, Hagstrom – Y, Williams – Y, MacTavish – Y, Wert – Y, Heckman – Y. Motion CARRIED (7-0).

Motioned by MacTavish seconded by Williams to approve tentative Resolution Aware of Wastewater System Improvements contract. Rollcall: Wert – Y, MacTavish – Y, Williams – Y, Toner – Y, Smith – Y, Hagstrom – Y, Heckman – Y. Motion Carried (7-0)

Motioned by Toner seconded by Williams to accept the Social Distract with boundaries using hours between 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays. Motioned CARRIED (6-0, Smith Abstained).

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to approve the bills as presented totaling \$121,845.47 with the additions presented by the Treasurer of \$3151.46 for a total of \$124,996.93. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon informed the council members that the Village of Howard City is sourcing for a new IT company and will bring suggestions to the August Council meeting.

Village Council agreed to allow Seventh Day Adventist Church Program to conduct neighborhood home visitations.

Public Comment: Requested the Village do something with the continuing speeding on Federal Rd. President Heckman will notify the State Police for more presence. It was acknowledged that the solar powered speed signs that were installed at either end of Federal Rd. are helping.

MacTavish expressed his appreciation for the new iPad's for the council members.

Smith acknowledged the Food Truck Rally would be July 25, 2026.

President Heckman questioned the DPW Supervisor about timers for the sprinkler system on Edgerton.

Motion by Williams seconded by Wert to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Stephanie VanderPloeg, Clerk

Randy Heckman, President