

Village of Howard City  
Council Meeting Minutes  
April 19, 2021

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Smith seconded by Hagstrom to approve the agenda with the addition of bills presented by the Treasurer. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

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

Public Comment: None.

Mr. Don Veltman, Howard City Lanes owner, apologized to Council for the lack of communication and misunderstanding with the St. Patrick's Day event he hosted. He stated he meant no disrespect and will make sure to approach Council for any future events he would like to host. Mr. Veltman stated he would like to have a July 3 event in which Council stated they would like security for the event, a designated area for alcoholic beverages, and no glass bottles allowed on Edgerton.

Ms. Peggy Brumley was scheduled to appear before Council to discuss the Farmer's Market. She was not in attendance. Council would like Mr. Falcon to reach out to her one more time to see if she is interested in coordinating the Farmer's Market.

Motion by MacTavish seconded by VanWagner to approve Resolution 2021-1 Designating Depositories. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Motion by MacTavish seconded by Hagstrom to approve Resolution 2021-2 Percentage Employee Healthcare. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Motion by MacTavish seconded by Bassett to pay bills with the additions presented by the Treasurer of \$2,302.28 for a bill total of \$37,245.06. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Council approved for Mr. Falcon to go ahead with procedures to close and vacate the parcel on East Washburn Street with the condition that all fees associated with vacating this part of the road will be the responsibility of Mr. Paulen..

Council would like Mr. Falcon to look into putting speed bumps in at the intersection of White Street and Ensley Street in order to deter speeding vehicles.

Mr. Falcon informed Council that we will be looking at our budget twice a year in order to foresee any issues that we may encounter by year end.

Auditors Vredeveld and Haefner sent the engagement letter for the audit of 2020-2021 and sent a questionnaire for Council to fill out and send back to them. The audit will begin approximately May 24, 2021.

Public Comment: Scott Behrenwald stated as part owner of Zylstra Trucking they would like to see the White Street and Ensley Street intersection to remain open and would appreciate the speed bumps being installed.

Trustee MacTavish inquired on the clean up at 705 Park. Mr. Falcon has been in touch with the property owner and will follow up again.

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