

Village of Howard City  
Council Meeting Minutes  
November 20, 2023

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

Deputy Paulsen presented the Sheriff report for October.

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

Public Comment: Sharon Ogren from Edgerton Giftery stated there is a person soliciting the downtown businesses and brandished a knife. Mr. Falcon stated if anyone is approached and feels threatened to call 9-1-1 immediately.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to approve the 2023-9 Resolution Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by VanWagner seconded by MacTavish to approve the 2023-2024 Budget Amendments as presented. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by VanWagner seconded by MacTavish to pay bills with the additions presented by the Treasurer of \$1,565.26 for a total of \$321,274.32. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon presented Council with 2023-7 Sign Ordinance updates. Ordinance will be presented at the December meeting for final revisions.

Mr. Falcon informed Council that the Village hall painting is just about complete, and a new roof is scheduled to begin on Monday, November 27, 2023.

Mr. Falcon stated there was a ribbon cutting at the new Community First Federal Credit Union building today and that they are open for business.

Mr. Falcon stated the Buck Pole event was another great success with many people in attendance.

Mr. Falcon reminded Council of the Tree Lighting that will be held on December 2, 2023.

Mr. Falcon presented Council with renderings for the Band Shell and will be working with Nugent Builders to work on details of the project.

Mr. Falcon informed Council that the Village received a donation of a bike station from Brian Hauenstein and family to be dedicated to his father. The station will be installed next Spring.

Mr. Falcon stated there was a ribbon cutting at the library for their new bike rack today.

Mr. Falcon stated he was at court for the minor that caused problems this summer and he plead guilty to a few of the charges and a few of the charges were dropped.

Public Comment: Dave Saucier asked about the court case in which Mr. Falcon stated he could not comment. Commissioner Baker stated the County is working on union contracts and wishes everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Trustee VanWagner inquired about how DPW workers are spending their time.

President Heckman asked about leaves. Mr. Falcon stated DPW would get the leaves picked up. President Heckman also stated he reached out to a company to see about purchasing polo shirts, pull overs, and one other dress shirt for the fire department. Mr. Falcon also stated that we have ordered 2 AED units for the fire department.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

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Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk

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Randy Heckman, President