

Village of Howard City  
Council Meeting Minutes  
June 19, 2023

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

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

Public Comment: None.

Motion by Williams seconded by Hagstrom to approve the Investment Policy as presented. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by MacTavish seconded by Hagstrom to pay bills as presented totaling \$172,489.57. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon informed Council that the application process was opened this month for marijuana licenses. The Village has received one application. A special Planning Commission meeting will be set up in July to go over the application.

Motion by VanWagner seconded by MacTavish to close Ensley Street from Williams Street to Shaw Street on July 29, 2023, for the Food Truck Rally event. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by VanWagner seconded by Williams to close Edgerton Street from the post office to White Street on September 9, 2023, for an event hosted by Jean's Pizza Café. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon informed Council that Joe Cornelisse turned in his resignation. Mr. Cornelisse is currently on PTO leave and is still functioning as our OIC until we have organizations in place to take over. Our current DPW personnel are working toward becoming certified by the end of this year.

Public Comment: Dan Edwards inquired about the Fortis Health building and questioned social media posts. Lori Kropenwicki also inquired about the Fortis Health building. Ron Baker stated the Board of Commissioners are working on their budget which will be done by the end of September. Mr. Baker also stated that the County will continue to use the existing blight ordinance that has been in place.

Trustee Bassett inquired about graduates from the fire academy and the fire department dress code.

Trustee MacTavish inquired about the recycle bins.

Trustee Williams reminded Council about Music in the Park that will be starting on July 11.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

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Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk

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Randy Heckman, President