

Village of Howard City
Council Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2023

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to approve the agenda as presented. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Deputy Paulsen presented the Sheriff report for November.

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

Public Comment: None.

Motion by VanWagner seconded by MacTavish to approve the 2024 Village Council Meeting Schedule. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Motion by MacTavish seconded by Hagstrom to approve the 2023-7 Sign Ordinance. Roll Call Vote: Bassett, aye; Hagstrom, aye; MacTavish, aye; VanWagner, aye; Williams, aye; Heckman, aye. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Motion by Bassett seconded by MacTavish to pay bills with the additions presented by the Treasurer of \$2,973.86 for a total of \$138,514.94. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Motion by MacTavish seconded by VanWagner to approve the Infrastructure Alternative Blower Quote for the treatment plant. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Council agreed to send a letter to the owner of 426 Cedar Street regarding a tree that the owner tried to cut down in the Village right of way, without Village approval, which is now dangerous. The owner will have 15 days to remove the tree at the owner's expense or the Village will then have the tree removed and bill the owner for half of the expense.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to approve a three (3) year contract with CSG for the water tower maintenance contract. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Mr. Falcon presented Council with a first draft of the 2024-2025 budget and asked for any suggestions or questions.

Mr. Falcon also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Public Comment: None.

Trustee Hagstrom asked about combining the Christmas on Edgerton event with the Village Tree Lighting. This will be brought up to the Parks and Recreation Committee for discussion.

Trustee Williams stated the Christmas on Edgerton event was successful.

President Heckman wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 pm. Motion CARRIED (6-0)

Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk

Randy Heckman, President