Village of Howard City Council Meeting Minutes April 18, 2022

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Smith seconded by Bassett to approve the agenda 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: None.

Motion by Williams seconded by Hagstrom to approve #2022-2 Percentage Employee Health Care Resolution. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by Hagstrom seconded by Bassett to pay bills with the additions presented by the Treasurer of \$4,159.26 for a bill total of \$43,305.56. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by VanWagner seconded by Bassett to award the DPW building paint bid to Commercial Building Painting Services, Inc., of \$11,891.50. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon informed Council that we are going to be installing a camera system at Ensley Park. We have applied to the County for an ARPA grant to help off-set the cost of the system and are waiting to hear their decision.

Mr. Falcon updated Council on the Tri County School contract that is still on-going in negotiations for connection to our sewer system.

Mr. Falcon updated Council on our DPW employee status. We are down to one guy and have a new guy coming on board on April 25. We are still looking for at least one more employee.

Mr. Falcon reminded Council of the special Council meeting on Monday, April 25, at 7:00 pm at the Reynolds Township Hall in which Council will need to accept the Joint Master Plan information and agree to send out to the surrounding municipalities.

Mr. Falcon thanked everyone who helped with the Easter Egg Scramble this year. It was a success.

Public Comment: Commissioner Baker reminded everyone of recycling day for Montcalm County on April 23 and the hazardous waste day on May 12. Commissioner Baker also supports the camera system for Ensley Park.

Trustee Smith updated Council for the July 30 Food Truck Day that they have 14 food trucks, over 40 vendors, will be having a car show with approximately 100 cars, and the 3 on 3 basketball tournament.

Trustee VanWagner stated he is strongly opposed to taking on the sanitary sewer from Tri County Schools due to not having enough help to manage the system and noting discharge violations from the past.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)