

Village of Howard City  
Council Meeting Minutes  
January 21, 2019

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Smith seconded by Williams to approve the agenda with the addition of Artman Park questions from Mike VanWagner. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

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

Public Comment: None.

Motion by Smith seconded by Williams to open the 2020-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan public hearing at 7:03 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Public Comment: Michael Smith inquired about a playground being installed at Artman Park.

Motion by Smith seconded by Bassett to close the public hearing at 7:05 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by MacTavish seconded by Bassett to accept the 2020-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan. Roll call vote: Bassett, Yea; Hagstrom, Yea; MacTavish, Yea; Smith, Yea; VanWagner, Yea; Williams, Yea; Heckman, Yea. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by Smith seconded by MacTavish to approve the Park and Recreation Resolution 2019-1. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Doug Hopkins and Lance from Imperial Municipal Services (IMS) provided more detail as to the services they offer in regard to the rental property ordinance that is being proposed. Council would like to see the list of fees and table discussion until the February 18, 2019, meeting.

Motion by VanWagner seconded by MacTavish to extend the Granger contract for another 2 years. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Richard and Cheryl Pease presented the 150<sup>th</sup> Committee final report. The key to the time capsule, to be opened in 2068, is located in the Village vault in an envelope marked Time Capsule and is in one of the drawers in the vault.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to set the budget public hearing for Monday, February 25, 2019, at 7 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Motion by Smith seconded by Bassett to pay bills totaling \$40,606.78. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon asked Council to look at the 2018/2019 Budget Amendments and the 2019/2020 Proposed Budget and bring questions or concerns to the Village Office or at the regular council meeting in February for discussion.

Mr. Falcon informed the Council that Reynolds Township is deeding Artman Park to the Village with payment of \$1. Trustee VanWagner asked why the Village was taking over the park. Mr. Falcon outlined the benefits. Motion by MacTavish seconded by Williams to sign the Quit Claim Deed with Reynolds Township for the Village to take over Artman Park. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Council advised that the Parks and Recreation Committee will be offered the opportunity to run the town-wide yard sales this year.

Council advised Mr. Falcon to continue with the process of the nuisance/vehicle ordinance enforcement including applying fines in accordance with ordinances.

Mr. Falcon reminded Council of the retreat on Wednesday, January 23, 2019.

Public Comment: Dave Saucier commented on Artman Park and the nuisance vehicle ordinance enforcement. Richard Pease commented on Artman Park. Ron Baker commented on Artman Park and also provided new Commissioner meeting times.

Deputy Mitchell arrived and went over the police report for December 2018.

Paula Hagstrom asked about the spring clean-up for this year and was informed that the Village will be partnering with Reynolds Township again.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

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Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk

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Randy Heckman, President