

Village of Howard City
Council Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2024

President Heckman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: VanWagner, Hagstrom, Heckman, MacTavish, Williams, Smith, 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 Hagstrom seconded by Williams to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Deputy Lincoln discussed available forms for property inspection requests and contact information for local businesses. Deputy Lincoln also presented the police report for December 2023.

Public Comment: Commissioner Baker inquired about sidewalk inspections regarding clearing of snow and also asked if there was an agreement with the DDA regarding clearing downtown sidewalks. Commissioner Baker stated the County is currently working on union contracts and informed everyone that there is an early voting facility located behind the Sheriff Department that is available nine days prior to the election. He also stated all County Commissioner meetings are held at 4:00 pm.

The 2024-2025 Proposed Budget was presented for questions. There was no discussion at this time.

Council approved of the 6th Annual Music Festival to be held on August 3, 2024. Council also approved for the downtown businesses to host events at the end of the months of January, February, and March in which streets will be closed off.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to pay bills with the additions presented by the Treasurer of \$4,661.74 for a total of \$29,692.60. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Mr. Falcon reminded Council that he is due for an evaluation next month. President Heckman stated he will meet with each council member individually to get information for the evaluation.

Public Comment: None.

Motion by Williams seconded by MacTavish to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm. Motion CARRIED (7-0)

Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk

Randy Heckman, President