

WELCOME TO THE CITY OF HANOVER



Sometime prior to October of 1855, Jacob Vollbrecht, a woodworker, left his home at, or near, Klausthal, Germany (apparently near Hannover) and came to Mobile, Alabama, U.S.A. He then worked his way to New Orleans, Louisiana, then up the Mississippi River to St. Anthony Falls, Minnesota (a milling center at that time and now known as Minneapolis, Minnesota). He obtained a canoe there and paddled up the Mississippi River to Dayton, Minnesota and then up the Crow River arriving at the site which would later become Hanover, Minnesota, in October, 1855. A brother, William Vollbrecht, an ironworker, and his family followed and arrived in April, 1856. Several others followed later. During the next few years the Vollbrechts built a dam and a flouring mill on the Crow River. Later came a wagon shop, a saw mill, a hardware store, a blacksmith shop, a grocery store, a saloon, etc., several homes were built, and a bridge crossing the river was built during the winter of 1867-68 (temporary bridges were used prior to this time). In 1877 the United States Post Office was established and in **1891, the Village of Hanover was incorporated.**

The City has a **current population of about 2688.** The Crow River forms the border between Wright and Hennepin Counties. The Hennepin County offices are at the Government Center in downtown Minneapolis. The Wright County offices are at the Government Center in the City of Buffalo. The voting Precinct for both counties is at the Hanover City Hall.

Police protection for the City is contracted with the Wright County and Hennepin County Sheriff departments. Fire protection is provided by the Hanover

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Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department. Burning permits are available from the Fire Chief or the City Offices.

A large portion of the City has water and sewer service. Joint Powers serves Hanover, Albertville and St. Michael. Contact Veolia Water Central Billing Office at 497-3611 regarding service.

The City Hall has space for community meetings, and provides a rental facility for other group events as well. A large hall and kitchen facilities are available and reservations can be arranged by calling City Hall.

We have a large park adjacent to the City Hall known as **Settlers Park**. This park has a picnic shelter, which is also available for rent for family events or other functions for a minimal charge. Settlers Park also offers a playground area, volleyball courts, horseshoe pits, as well as picnic grills and tables. There are two ball fields on the premises.

There are many other city parks in Hanover. **Pheasant Run Park** is located on Meander Road NE. This park has two gazebos with picnic tables, grills, a small basketball court, and a playground area. Another residential park is located on the west side of the city, in the Hanover Hills development. **Eagle View Park** has a playground area and a gazebo with a picnic table, as well as a sliding hill for use in winter. Within new developments in Hanover, new parks were installed in 2008. **Bridgeview Park**, located near the intersection of 106th Avenue, 108th Avenue and 107th Avenue on the Hennepin County side of the City has a scenic view of the Crow River. A walking trail provides access for residents to this secluded playground area. **Mallards' Landing Park** is located at the intersection of Mallard Street and 11th Street NE in the Schendel's Field Development in the northeast part of the City. This new park has a playground area, a basketball court, gazebo and trail. Plans are to provide a soccer field

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also. The gazebo is available for parties and events for a nominal fee. **Cardinal Circle Park** is located in the west area of Hanover at the intersection of Kadler Avenue and Kadler Circle. In the Crow River Heights development. Amenities in this park include a playground area, and baseball field. Future amenities include a trail, gazebo, basketball court and tennis court.

Adjacent to the City Hall is the Hanover Athletic Association area. There are two ball fields and an ice skating rink with a warming house owned and operated by the Hanover Athletic Association. In the summer the ice rink doubles as a skate board area.

Wright County's Riverside Park is situated along the Crow River at the end of 8th Street and Riverview Road. It provides a quiet secluded picnic area with canoe access.

Wright County's Beebe Lake Park is located just west of Hanover on County Road #34. It provides many recreational activities, with a swimming beach, play area, picnic areas as well as many other amenities. **Hennepin County's Crow Hassan Park Reserve** lies along the Crow River in the eastern portion of the City.

Hanover is located within two school districts, **Buffalo School District #877** and **St. Michael-Albertville District #885**. The majority of Hanover is with District #877. There is an elementary school located within Hanover, which is a part of District #877, currently housing kindergarten through 5th grade.

There are two churches within the City; **St. Paul's Lutheran** and **Zion United Methodist**. St. Paul's offers a food shelf which serves the surrounding area. They also have a preschool program, **Children's Country Preschool**.

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Additional information regarding Hanover can be obtained from the Hanover City Hall Office located at 11250 NE 5th Street or call 763-497-3777.

For more information, please access our website: www.hanovermn.org.