

**CITY OF HANOVER
JOINT MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION
JUNE 26, 2017 - OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Call to Order

Mayor Chris Kauffman called the June 26, 2017, Joint Meeting of the City Council and Planning Commission to order at 6:40 pm. Council members present were Mayor Chris Kauffman, Doug Hammerseng, Ken Warpula, Jim Zajicek, and MaryAnn Hallstein. Planning Commission members present were Stan Kolasa, Michelle Armstrong, Dean Kuitunen, and Mike Christenson. Also present were City Administrator Brian Hagen, City Planner Cindy Nash, and Administrative Assistant Amy Biren. Planning Commission member Jim Schendel was absent. Guest present was Clark Lee.

Approval of Agenda

Agenda proceeded as presented.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment: Develop Goals of Amendment

Two small groups were formed with a mix of City Councilors and Planning Commission members in each group. Discussion on what Hanover should be in 20140 was held. The groups identified goals to work towards in various categories. There were as follows:

Development:

- Additional two plus acre lot plats
- Duininck Pit development
- Additional annexation
- Develop the river front areas of Hanover

Housing:

- One level/independent senior living
- Large lot development

Economic Development:

- Additional Retail/Light Industrial

Commercial/Industrial:

- Larger commercial tax base
- Limited outdoor storage

Transportation:

- Efficient County Road 19 traffic flow
- 8th St. NE extension from Industrial Park to County Road 19

Community:

- Well-kept properties
- Defined Downtown Business District
- Lower taxes than neighboring cities
- Vibrant Community
- Additional restaurants
- River Business District
- Lie within a single county
- Friendly place to live
- Explore partnering opportunities

Public Facilities:

- Well maintained city
- Planned mix of private/public septic

Utilities:

- Pheasant Run Sewer Extension

Natural Resources:

- Leverage the Crow River
- Walking paths
- Increased participation with Three Rivers Park District
- Boulevard trees/urban forests

Nash concluded the session by stating that staff will draft a set of goals and strategic items based on the discussion held. These items would then be reviewed at a future meeting.

Adjournment

MOTION by Warpula to adjourn at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Hammerseng. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION by Kuitunen to adjourn at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Armstrong. **Motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVED:

Chris Kauffman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brian Hagen, City Administrator