

**CITY OF HANOVER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 – OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Chris Kauffman called the regular meeting of Tuesday, September 17, 2019 to order at 7:01 p.m. Present were Councilors Ken Warpula, Doug Hammerseng, and MaryAnn Hallstein. Also present were Accountant / Deputy Clerk Jackie Heinz, City Planner Cindy Nash and City Engineer Justin Messner. Guests included Marge Beard, Kelly Geach, Scott Dahlke, Richard Wanke, Ann Dexine, Carol Dixon, Gary Fehn and Loren Mahler. Councilor Jim Zajicek was absent.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Heinz requested to add Res. 09-17-19-78 – Approving A Grading Agreement for a Project Known as River Town Villas of Hanover.

Kauffman requested to move Item #5 – Memorial Bench to #4.

**MOTION** by Warpula to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Hammerseng. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Consent Agenda:**

**MOTION** by Warpula to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Hallstein.

**a. Approve Minutes of September 3, 2019 City Council Meeting**

**b. Approve Claims as Presented:**

➤ Claims	\$ 126,064.10
➤ Payroll	\$ 10,327.23
➤ P/R taxes & Exp.	\$ 3,728.90
➤ Other Claims	\$ <u>2,602.32</u>
➤ Total Claims	\$ <u>142,722.55</u>

**c. Res No 09-17-19-76 – Adopting 2020 Preliminary Budget and Levy**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Memorial Bench**

Kelly Geach stated she is looking for support to donate a memorial bench in honor of Missy Wanke in Cardinal Park. The bench will be pine green with supports and a plaque. Richard Wanke stated possible placement of the outfield area where the Hannah statue previously stood.

Council Consensus in support of the memorial bench and for Geach and Wanke to attend the October Park Board meeting to discuss placement.

**Three Rivers Park District – Commissioner Beard Introduction & Crow Hassan Master Plan**

Marge Beard introduced herself as the Park Commissioner for District 1. She is a 25 year resident of Plymouth and will be accessible for park questions and comments. Ann Dexine with Three Rivers Park stated revising of the Master Plan began a year ago, the plan hasn't been updated since the 80's. Dexine further stated Three Rivers will be celebrating 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the prairie restoration of the park on Saturday, September 21 from 10 am – 2 pm.

Dexine stated Crow Hassan Park is the flagship park for prairie restoration, it's the most rustic and is envisioned to stay that way. From the 1,100 responses received, easier access and a more inviting design are among the most desired. Dexine stated there were 3 design principles when creating the new master

plan – to celebrate the Crow River, provide access and preserve nature. Currently 50% of park use occurs at the dog park, 25% by horse owners and 25% by hikers.

Dexine stated the Master Plan highlights:

- The future Crow River Regional Trail running from Watertown to Dayton will go through the park
- Possible land acquisition on the NE corner
- Add gravel parking lot to group camp and relocate boat launch to be ADA accessible in the Riverbend area
- Create 2 separate parking lots at the trail head, one for horse trailers and another for single vehicles
- Create a park shelter for group learning at the trail head
- Addition of 2 ADA unpaved trails, each a half mile long, one at the Riverbend area and the other at the trail head, with nature play components such as stacked logs, rocks, hollow logs, etc.

Hammerseng inquired how long the plan is, Dexine stated a 20-year plan and will be completed in phases. Discussion continued around the switchback by the Historic Bridge and most important future amenities. Dexine stated some tweeks will be made and Three Rivers would like a resolution of support from Council at the October meeting. Dexine also encouraged Council to e-mail comments, ideas, etc. in the next couple of weeks.

#### **Res No 09-17-19-77 – Approving Negative Declaration for Mahler Aggregate Mine EAW**

Nash stated the public comment period ended last Wednesday, September 11, received a few comments and is recommending a negative declaration. Nash further stated the next step is for Fehn Companies to apply for an IUP which will go to Planning Commission and then Council for approval. Plans are almost complete and will submitted by the end of September for the October Planning Commission meeting.

**MOTION** by Warpula to approve Res No 09-17-19-77, seconded by Hallstein.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Res No 09-17-19-78 – Approving a Grading Agreement for River Town Villas of Hanover**

Nash stated this agreement is similar to the one approved for Crow River Heights 4<sup>th</sup> Addition a couple months ago. There is a lot of grading given the size of the site, no utilities or roads will be put in. Messner stated winter prep will be done on the site, a rough grad of the road, erosion control and excavation for ponds. Kauffman inquired about the timeline after grading, Nash stated a final would be completed next year.

Discussion continued regarding the timeline and actions if the company defaults.

**MOTION** by Hallstein to approve Res No 09-17-19-78 with a security amount of \$269,075, seconded by Hammerseng.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Reports**

Messner stated utilities will begin at Crow River Heights 4<sup>th</sup> Addition. The developer is planning to pave before winter, however it won't be allowed if it's too cold. The Chip Seal project is complete. Hammerseng inquired if they've heard of concerns regarding the number of trees coming down in the 4<sup>th</sup> addition, Messner stated yes.

Warpula inquired about explanation of the WSB payment which was held, Messner stated WSB spent 2.5 days walking the streets counting cracks and noting pavement stress. That information was then put into GIS with roughly 48 hours of work completed. Hallstein inquired in the future how often should this be updated. Messner stated a site assessment should be completed every 5-7 years with number being refreshed every other year.

Heinz stated Riverside Park had an Archery Range Open House from 4-5 pm this evening.

Hammerseng inquired if someone could attend the September 30th Planning Commission meeting as he will be absent.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION** by Hammerseng to adjourn at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Hallstein. **Motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVED BY:

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Chris Kauffman, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jackie Heinz, Accountant / Deputy Clerk