

City of Hanover Council Meeting: August 9, 2023 at 6:00pm

Mayor Jared Sedlacek called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Council members present were Kim Lohse, Scott Jueneman, Nick Garber, and Don Spencer. Council member Coby Sedlacek was absent. Employees present were Katlin Bruna, Scott Wieden and Melissa Minge. Guests included Shawn Minge, Fire Chief.

1. Treasurer's Report

- a. Don made a motion, seconded by Nick to amend the 2023 January monthly, and March quarterly treasurer reports. Motion carried.
- b. Don made a motion, seconded by Scott to approve the 2023 January monthly, March quarterly, and July treasurer reports. Motion carried.
- c. CD Discussion
  - i. The council discussed the rates of CDs currently; 3.75 for 12 months and 4.65 for 14 months.
    1. Don made a motion, seconded by Nick to cash out all four (4) CDs the city had and change them to the 4.65 rate for 14 months. Motion carried.
    2. Don made a motion, seconded by Nick to start a CD of \$200,000 at 4.65 for 14 months; contingent on clerk's conversation with Markus Frese, CPA, regarding adopted budget. Motion carried.

2. Expenditures

- a. Don made a motion, seconded by Kim to approve the July 2023 expenditures. Motion carried.

3. Minutes

- a. Don made a motion, seconded by Kim to approve the July 2023 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

4. Shawn Minge, Fire Chief

- a. Fire Chief reported that the radios that the county purchased with COVID money only came with one (1) battery and when they are charging they can not be on and used which is going to be a problem when the firemen are on call; therefore the fire department is going to purchase a second battery for the radios which are \$150/battery.
- b. The fire department received the \$5000.00 grant from TC Energy and ordered a smoke machine and gloves with the money.
- c. The county split up some of the ARPA money and the fire department was given \$7,969.39 and the Fire Chief turned in a equipment list of what is needed.
- d. Discussion on getting a truck to replace the van. Tabled.

5. Street Department

- a. Grading Roads: discussion on status of township grading the city roads. Tabled for more information.
- b. Midwest Bid for Curb & Gutter Work from 2022: Tabled for more information.

6. Water/Sewer Department

- a. 2-inch Meters: the city does not have any on hand at the moment and water commissioner would like to have one on hand
  - i. Kim made a motion, seconded by Nick to approve purchasing a 2-inch meter. Motion carried.
- b. Water Leak at Allen Pralle's Horse Lot: the part where the contractors during the water project cut off the old meter to place water lines to the new meter started to leak. Scott was able to go in and get everything fixed.
  - i. Don made a motion, seconded by Scott to approve refunding Allen the difference in cost between his normal usage and the usage from the water leak.

7. Water Project: Remaining Grant Funds

- a. Bids were sent out and due back by August 9, 2023 to be opened at the council meeting. Bids included to install the remaining 35 meters that were not done during the water project so that the entire city can be read automatically.
- b. One bid was turned in from J&K Contracting for \$196,300.00.
- c. Don made a motion, seconded by Scott to approve J&K Contracting bid contingent that the remaining grant funds will cover the entire amount. Motion carried.

8. Community Building

- a. Garage Doors: Chamber is going to have Blue Valley Door come in and grease the doors and readjust them as they are getting harder to open and also not staying opening causing them to become a hazard.

- b. Invoices from Days of 49: Council reviewed the invoices that occurred during Days of 49
  - i. Nick made a motion, seconded by Don to charge the Hanover Chamber of Commerce \$1954.23.  
Motion carried.
- 9. Kloppenberg Center
  - a. The Kloppenberg Center board brought to the council's attention some complaints they have been getting. Clerk is going to look into this. Table.
- 10. Adjourn
  - a. Nick made a motion, seconded by Scott to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

**Upcoming Meetings**

September 13, 2023

October 11, 2023