

Mayor Kim Lohse called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Council members present were Scott Jueneman, Coby Sedlacek, Nick Garber, Don Spencer and Chuck Garber. Employee present was Katlin Bruna. Employees Scott Jueneman and Scott Wieden were absent. Guest included, Andrew Gugenhan.

1. Shawn Minge, Fire Chief
 - a. Shawn reported the department is in need of three (3) new pairs of boots for firemen. The cost of boots is \$387.19 per pair. Shawn also reported that there will be a \$600 invoice at Andy's Hardware for work being done on the training box out and wanted to pay from the fire budget.
 - i. Don made a motion, seconded by Chuck to approve Shawn ordering three (3) sets of boots and to pay the invoice at Andy's. Motion carried.
2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Don made a motion, seconded by Chuck to approve the 2024 April Monthly treasurer report. Motion carried.
3. Expenditures
 - a. Don made a motion, seconded by Scott to approve the 2024 April expenditures. Motion carried.
4. Minutes
 - a. Don made a motion, seconded by Chuck to approve the 2024 April regular and special meeting minutes. Motion carried.
5. Public Hearings
 - a. No public hearings.
6. Public Comments
 - a. There were no public comments.
7. Andrew Gugenhan
 - a. Nick made a motion, seconded by Don to go into executive session at 6:40pm for 15 minutes for non-elected personnel. Motion carried.
 - b. Nick made a motion, seconded by Scott to come out of executive session at 6:55pm. Motion carried.
 - c. After discussion, Chuck made a motion, seconded by Don to approve hiring Andrew Gugenhan at \$17.00/hour. Motion carried.
8. Street Department
 - a. Washington Street Bridge
 - i. Kim and Katlin met with the county attorney and Jimmy Workman via Zoom to discuss the Washington Street Bridge. The following was what was discussed.
 1. The county attorney explained that after hours of research and talking to many different KDOT representatives, that the City of Hanover does own and is responsible for maintenance of the bridge on Washington Street and the county is responsible for inspecting the bridge.
 2. After these findings, the county is still willing to split the local cost and is willing to have a reimbursement contract so the city can make payments.
 - ii. Nick made a motion, seconded by Chuck to move forward with the bridge project and paying half of the local cost contingent that the county will do a five (5) year reimbursement. Motion carried.
 - b. Vacated Alley Issues
 - i. Council discussed some issues that have been going on with vacated alleys in the city limits. Council would like clerk to get some information on why alleys were vacated, if they are able to be unvacated, and how a vacated alley works as far as ownership. Tabled.
 - c. Bid Reviews: Generator Shelter at Kloppenberg and Pole Shed
 - i. Council reviewed bids and approved. Bids will be posted and due by the July meeting.
 - d. Streets
 - i. Council would like to invite the Farmer's Coop to the June meeting to discuss streets and the railroad crossing.
9. Park & Pool
 - a. Ball Diamonds

- i. Ethan Diederich, Jr. High Football Coach, asked if the Jr. High Football team could use the North Ball Diamond outfield for practice this fall as the St. John's School grounds where they usually practice will be occupied by the materials for the St. John's church upgrade.
 - 1. Council said this was fine as long as they stayed off the infield.

10. Council

a. Ad Valorm Tax

- i. A letter was sent from the county stating the county has decided to eliminate their share on levying of a gross earning tax on intangibles and is wanting cities to do the same through resolution. Tabled.
- b. June Meeting: clerk will be gone for the regular scheduled June meeting. Council made the decision to have the June meeting June 4, 2024.

11. Adjourn

- a. Scott made a motion, seconded by Chuck to adjourn the May 2024 meeting. Motion carried.