



**HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2019**

Mayor Chris Lund called the Hamburg City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Council Members Scott Feltmann, Tim Tracy, Eric Poppler, and Jason Buckentin, City Clerk Jeremy Gruenhagen, Scott Qualle with MNSPECT, FD Anthony Van Haffen, and resident Dave Chadwick. Deputy Clerk Tamara Bracht was absent.

Agenda Review (Added Items) and Adoption

MOTION: Councilman Jason Buckentin moved to approve the Agenda as written. Seconded by Councilman Tim Tracy. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.

Consent Agenda

- Approve Added Payment of September Claims List (\$8,824.12)
- Approve Payment of October Claims List (\$18,423.12)
- Approve Minutes for September 10, 2019 & September 24, 2019
- Approve Time Off Request (Jeremy Gruenhagen)
- MDH Nonvulnerable Wellhead Protection Plan Extension
- Delinquent Utility Bills Report
- 2020 Cities Contribution to HFDRA Pension Fund
- Highway 5/25 Project (Green Isle)

MOTION: Councilman Jason Buckentin moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.

MNSPECT – Scott Qualle

- Building Permits Update

The new building code is estimated to come out in March 2020.

MNSPECT has been very busy and has grown from 22 employees to 26.

340 RR has been converted into a home without permits. Next steps would be: Send letter to respond within 15 days, if owner is non-compliant, a “do not occupy” order would be sent, then move to possible prosecution. If the building owner fails to make any needed corrections, MNSPECT would have to hire it out to be completed correctly. Council expressed concerns about potential issues with the basement and upstairs apartments, and instructed MNSPECT to send a letter giving 15 days to



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respond. City staff will seek the city attorney's opinion on how to approach this issue.

Contract renewals: Other than just changing the dates to renew the contracts, we will be freshening up the verbiage to accommodate all communities we serve.

Hot topic issue: Some communities have been abusing the purpose of the building permit fees to create a large surplus in their budgets. The fees are there to cover the administrative costs of issuing permits and inspections. This issue is not a concern for Hamburg.

Hamburg Fire Department

- HFD Trainings

Invitation to council to attend Fire Department training's, to observe what is being taught. Monday, October 14th at 7:00 p.m. is hands-on Vehicle Extrication training, and Monday, November 4th is the Search and Rescue Trailer.

Old City Business

- Water Tower (Update)

They will begin constructing the tower on October 14th – they plan on finishing before Thanksgiving. They will be working Monday – Saturday. If they get behind, they will work Sunday's as well. The priming and painting will occur when the weather is warmer. The RV trailer in the park is the foreman's living quarters. Maguire Iron is willing to reimburse the city for any costs that are incurred.

New City Business

- Bids for Park Restroom (Re-roof/Soffit & Fascia)

MOTION: Councilman Jason Buckentin moved to approve the bid from Dan Oelfke Construction in the amount of \$3,872.51. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.

- MN PFA Loan for Water Tower (Term/Interest Rate)

Still hopeful on removing the old tower. Recommend inviting SHPO to a council meeting, also to enlist assistance from our representatives and Senator. SHPO is state run, but is under Federal programming.

Motion: Councilman Jason Buckentin moved to approve a 25-year MN PFA Water Tower Loan. Seconded by Councilman Tim Tracy. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.



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- Refinancing of G.O. Utility Revenue Bonds
 - Series 2011A

This bond was for the 2011 storm sewer and pond improvements. Refinancing at a lower rate would save the city between \$18,000 - \$25,000 in interest.

MOTION: Councilman Tim Tracy moved to approve moving forward with the refinancing process of the 2011A G.O. Utility Revenue Bonds through Ehlers. Seconded by Councilman Jason Buckentin. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.

During the summer, Council approved for Carver County to sell the tax-forfeited land on Louisa Street at a future public auction. They need all Council Members to sign off on the approval.

City Council Reports

Mayor Chris Lund –

At the last Mayor's In time, the Personnel Committee met to go over city ordinances. We are looking at cleaning up some old language and addressing more current issues by inquiring with other area cities. More to come.

MOTION: Councilman Jason Buckentin moved to adjourn the Hamburg City Council Meeting at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Tim Tracy. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.

Submitted by:
Tamara Bracht
Deputy Clerk



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