

# HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL AGENDA JUNE 11, 2024

Acting Mayor Mitch Polzin called the Hamburg City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were: Councilmembers Eric Poppler, and Jessica Weber, City Clerk Jeremy Gruenhagen, Deputy Clerk Jan Shoemaker, Public Works Jason Buckentin. Residents Brad and Barb Droege, Roger Siewert, Russell Havenor, Alex Kating, Johnny Egan, Tom Kloempken, Steve and Tammy Trebesch, Austin Schultz, Emily Patterson, Anna Stuewe, David and Amy Chadwick.

### **Public Comment - No Public Comment**

### Agenda Review (Added Items) and Adoption

MOTION: Councilmember Jessica Weber moved to approve the Agenda as written. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was approved by all present.

#### **Consent Agenda**

- Approve Payment of Added May 2024 Claims (\$11,574.37)
- Approve Payment of June 2024 Claims (\$148,843.94)
- Time-Off Request (Jeremy Gruenhagen)
- Time-Off Request (Jason Buckentin)
- Approve Cash Flow Statement for April 2024
- Delinquent Utility Bills Report
- Met Council Preliminary Population & Household Estimates
- Mediacom Memo (Variety TV)
- Xcel Energy Public Hearings Upper Midwest Integrated Resource Plan

MOTION: Councilmember Eric Poppler moved to approve the Consent Agenda as written. Seconded by Councilmember Jessica Weber. Motion was approved by all present.

# Hamburg Fire Department

Mark Plantz Resignation – tabled to future meeting.

#### **Old City Business**

- 2024 Street Improvement Project (Brad Street) communication will be in the Newsletter and social media on updates of the Brad Street Project. No dates set.
- City Account on Facebook follow City of Hamburg on Facebook for Kiting Public Service Announcements. If you have information to be included to Social Media, call the city office.
- City Electronic Sign Repair Estimate, estimate \$3,900 for the part, if that is the



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correct part. \$30,000 for a new sign. Jeremy will check with the original donors of the sign for interest in raising funds to repair the sign.

#### **New City Business**

- New Minnesota State Flag City Residents voiced their concerns regarding the new Minnesota State Flag. Majority of comments were against flying the new flag. Staff discussed the condition of the flag pole and the possibility of removing the flag pole.
  - MOTION: Councilmember Eric Poppler moved to take down the new Minnesota State Flag and remove the flag pole. Seconded by Councilmember Jessica Weber. Motion was approved by all present.
- Approve Liquor Licenses Renewals
  - Hamburg Baseball Club Wine License (\$100)
  - o Know It All's Bar & Grill On/Off Sale & Special Sunday (\$1,500)
  - MOTION: Councilmember Jessica Weber moved to approve the liquor license renewal for the Hamburg Baseball Club for wine license for \$100; and Know It All's Bar & Grill - On/Off Sale & Special Sunday for \$1,500. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was approved by all present.
- Old Generator (Sell) the old generator setting has been sitting in the water treatment plant for years and has not been used for a number of years. PW Buckentin to get, in writing, from 212 Equipment what they would give us as is. The Council also discussed selling the generator via sealed bids.
- Public Nuisances nuisances notices bill be sent out for review at the next council meeting.
- Water Shut-offs/Water Meter Replacement Staff would like to enact an ordinance requiring residents with an old water meter/shut-off to replace it before selling their home. Council had no objection.
- PW Jason Buckentin Class D Sewer Test (Passed) Pay Raise per Jason's employment agreement, when he passed the Class D Sewer Test he would receive \$1 increase in pay.
  - MOTION: Councilmember Eric Poppler moved to approve Public Works Jason Buckentin the \$1 increase in pay for the completion of the Class D Sewer Test. Seconded by Councilmember Jessica Weber. Motion was approved by all present.
- Jaguar Communications Settlement Agreement (Franchise Termination) –
  Jaguar Communication will no longer provide TV service as of June 30, 2024.
  - MOTION: Councilmember Jessica Weber moved to terminate the Franchise agreement with Jaguar Communications. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was approved by all present.



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- National Night Out August 6, 2024 Staff will continue with the same concept we have done in the past.
- Move July 9, 2024 City Council Meeting Clerk Gruenhagen will be on vacation. Recommended to move the Council Meeting to July 16.
  - MOTION: Councilmember Jessica Weber motioned to move the July 9, 2024 Council Meeting to July 16, 2024 at 7:00pm. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was approved by all present.

David Chadwick complained about the smell (rabbits) coming from 661 Park Avenue. Clerk Gruenhagen and PW Buckentin will do a physical inspection of the rabbit smell.

#### City Council Reports

- Councilmember Mitch Polzin (Streets) we already talked about the Brad Street Project. Still seeing tooth picks but nothing we can do about that anymore.
- Councilmember Eric Poppler (Parks) received complements about the Park on how good it looks. He received complaints about the old Fire Station/City Hall bricks falling off. Staff to contact the building owner.
- Councilmember Jessica Weber (Buildings) had nothing further to report.
- Councilmember Tim Tracy (Water/Sewer) was absent.
- Mayor Chris Lund was absent.

# Adjourn City Council Meeting

MOTION: Councilmember Jessica Weber moved to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 7:46 PM. Seconded by Councilmember Mitch Polzin. Motion was approved by all present

Amended/Approved on July 5, 2024

Jeremy Gruenhagen City Clerk/Treasurer