



**HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 24, 2020**

**Mayor Lund called the Hamburg City Council ZOOM Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Councilmembers Tim Tracy, Eric Poppler, Jason Buckentin, and Scott Feltmann, City Clerk Jeremy Gruenhagen, Deputy Clerk Tamara Bracht, Public Works Greg Schultz, and City Attorney Ron Blum with Melchert-Hubert & Sjodin.**

**Agenda Review (Added Items) and Adoption**

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

**Consent Agenda**

- Approve Added Claims List for November 2020 (\$28,027.64)
- October Cash Flow Statement
- City Offices Closed November 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving
- Mediacom Rate Adjustments

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

**Old City Business (Memo)**

- Building Permit for Kevin Subart (340 Railroad Street)
  - **MOTION: Councilman Eric Poppler moved to proceed with prosecution for non-compliance at the 340 Railroad Street property. Seconded by Councilman Scott Feltmann. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**
- Move Public Hearing for 420 Henrietta Avenue (Variance Request) for December 8, 2020 at 7:00 PM to December 15/22, 2020
  - **MOTION: Councilman Tim Tracy made a motion to move the Public Hearing for 420 Henrietta Avenue from December 8<sup>th</sup> to December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**

**New City Business**

- Park Food Stand (Re-Roof Estimates)
  - **MOTION: Councilman Scott Feltmann moved to approve the bid of \$7,305.15 from Dan Oelfke Construction to re-roof the park food stand. Seconded by Councilman Tim Tracy. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**



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- Stop Signs on Corner of George Street/David Avenue
  - **MOTION: Councilman Eric Poppler moved to install a stop sign at the intersection of George Street and David Avenue. Seconded by Councilman Tim Tracy. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**
- Special Meeting for Budget Workshop set for December 1, 2019 @ 7:00 PM
- 2021 Final Budget/2021 Final Property Tax Levy
  - Health Insurance Rates/Cost Analysis (2.84% Increase)
  - 2021 City Fee Schedule (Ordinance Number 163)
    - 2021 Water/Sewer/Storm Water Rates
  - Budget Items for 2020/2021 - Items discussed:
    - City Fees
    - 2021 Mileage Rate (IRS Rate)
    - Employee Wages
    - Legal Fees
    - Hall floor, ramp lights, new stairs by back door
    - Demolition of Old Tower, Piping for Old Tower to hydrant on Railroad St.
    - Options for \$83,000 of available funds in reserves
      - Reduce taxes
      - Use ½ for tower demo & ½ for street fund
      - Transfer to Savings for Future Improvements/Street Projects
    - Increase Water Fund rates 4% instead of 2% as originally planned due to Unforeseen expenses this year: water main breaks, well casing/pump replacement for both wells, lift station clean-outs and pump replacement.

**City Council Reports**

No City council Reports.

**Recess City Council Meeting**

**MOTION: Councilman Tim Tracy moved to recess the City Council Meeting. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**



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**Employee Evaluation - Open Meeting requested by Tamara Bracht**

**MOTION: Councilman Jason Buckentin moved to close the meeting at 8:09 p.m. for employee reviews of Jeremy Gruenhagen, and Greg Schultz. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**

**MOTION: Councilman Tim Tracy moved to re-open the Hamburg City Council Meeting at 8:39 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**

**Employee Wages/Health Insurance Coverage for 2021**

**Tamara Bracht – No wage increase for 2021 per the granting of health insurance coverage starting in 2020. (No wage increases for 2020/2021 in lieu of Health Insurance)**

**MOTION: Councilman Jason Buckentin moved to increase the hourly wage for Greg Schultz to \$30.00 for the year 2021. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**

**MOTION: Councilman Tim Tracy moved to give Jeremy Gruenhagen a 4% wage increase for the year 2021. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**

**MOTION: Councilman Tim Tracy moved to maintain employee health insurance coverage for 2021 as approved for 2020. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**

**MOTION: Councilman Tim Tracy moved to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 9:04 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved. All Councilmembers were present.**

Submitted on December 11, 2020 by Deputy Clerk Tamara Bracht

Amended/Approved on December 16, 2020

  
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Jeremy Gruenhagen  
City Clerk/Treasurer