



HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 9, 2021

Mayor Lund called the Public Hearing to order at 7:02 p.m. Those in attendance were Councilmembers Tim Tracy, Scott Feltmann, Eric Poppler, and Jessica Weber, City Clerk Jeremy Gruenhagen, Deputy Clerk Tamara Bracht, Acting Fire Chief Steven Siewert, Representative Jim Nash, Hawks Baseball Club Rich Schug and Mel Sprengeler, resident's James and Janet Shoemaker.

Public Hearing

- Ordinance Number 164 (Annexation for Stormwater Pond)
 - Pond is 1.2 acres of land
 - City Clerk to check if there are any necessary safety measures needed around the pond like a fence or signage as the pond is tucked back out of general public sight.

Motion: Councilmember Tim Tracy motioned for a continuance of the Public Hearing for Ordinance #164 to the April 13th meeting at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.

Mayor Lund called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Additional attendees were Acting Fire Chief Steven Siewert.

Public Comment – No Public Comment.

Agenda Review (Added Items) and Adoption

- New City Business
 - Move Stormwater Pond Annexation to April 13th Council Meeting
 - Additional March claim for Young-America Township for \$250 for the Joint Annexation Resolution for the Wm. Mueller Property, which brings the new March Claims total to \$46,767.74

Motion: Councilmember Tim Tracy moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.

Consent Agenda

- Approve Minutes for February 9, 2021
- Approve Payment of Added February 2021 Claims (\$26,380.61)
- Approve Payment of March 2021 Claims (\$46,767.74)
- Delinquent Utility Bills Report
- City Clerk/Treasurer Vacation (March 29th to April 7th)
- Highway 212 Rural Freight Mobility & Safety Project (Letter of Support)
- Carver County Board of Adjustment (New Residence from Feedlot / Reduced Road Frontage)



***HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 9, 2021***

- League of MN Cities PTSD Memo

Motion: Councilmember Eric Poppler moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Jessica Weber. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.

Representative Jim Nash

- 2021 Legislation Update
 - City Legislative Priorities
 - Local Government Aid (LGA) – 2021 looks to be \$82,500 and 2022 forecast is approximately \$84,000.
 - Highway 212 Project – Rep. Nash & Sen. Coleman are pushing to expand 212. Rep Nash thanked Hamburg Council and staff for the letter supporting this effort.
 - 3.2 Beer Sales (MN Only State)
 - MN Liquor Laws have not changed since 1948
 - Rep. Nash has authored & Co-Authored several Bills relating to Minnesota's archaic liquor laws
 - Will begin working on an Amendment tomorrow, regarding how the discontinuation of 3.2 beer production is going to affect local clubs.

Hamburg Baseball Club

- Power Upgrade at Baseball Club. Looking to double voltage at Park.
- Liquor License Renewal (3.2 Beer)
 - Local distributors are no longer making 3.2 Beer. Clubs will not be able to sell alcohol once 3.2 Beer is no longer available. Alcohol proceeds are considered the baseball team's main fundraising, and the funds are used to maintain and improve the ball park. Idea: Lease the ball park to the Baseball Club to obtain a strong license.

Hamburg Fire Department – Fire Chief Siewert

- COVID-19 Pandemic
 - City Council Meetings/Rentals
 - **Council's decision: begin hybrid meetings starting in April with only Council and staff in-house, and all others via ZOOM.**
- Purchasing Policy (Limits)
 - **City Clerk Jeremy Gruenhagen inquired with other small cities. The Personnel Committee will meet to review the findings, and will discuss at the April 13th Council Meeting.**
- Approve Amanda Harris Application to HFD
 - **Motion: Councilmember Tim Tracy moved to approve Amanda Harris as a Hamburg Rescue Reserve. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously**



**HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 9, 2021**

approved with all Councilmembers present.

- Gear Dryer/Washer
 - City Clerk received 1 installation bid and is waiting on another.
- Duty Officer Pay (Weekends)
 - Would like to redact the Duty Officer Pay request, and instead look into an overall pay raise in next year's budget for officers. **Mayor Lund asked Chief to bring that request forth during the next budgeting time.**
- Purchase iPads for Active 911
 - A few benefits and uses would be: locate fire hydrants, pre-incident planning for local businesses and apartments with interior layouts, contacts, hazardous areas etc., truck detail checks and equipment inventory.
 - Received 3 estimates and Verizon was the best one. **Mayor Lund asked City Clerk Jeremy Gruenhagen to look into pricing with the cities Verizon contract.**
- Gear for HFD Members Egan, Harris, Weckman
 - **Mayor Lund asked City Clerk Gruenhagen to look into potential funds, and asked Chief Siewert to look into grant options as well. Bring findings to the April 13th Council Meeting.**
- Accept Scott Anderson's Resignation from HFD
 - Resignation dated March 10th
 - Chief 1 Term was until 2022. HFD has no policy covering this scenario for filling Chief 1 position.
 - **Mayor Lund asked Chief Siewert to discuss options with the FD members on how to go about filling positions, and report back at the April 13th Council Meeting.**
 - **Motion: Councilmember Tim Tracy moved to accept Scott Anderson's resignation from the Hamburg Fire Department effective March 10th, 2021. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.**
- Create city emails
 - **Motion: Councilmember Tim Tracy moved to approve that the HFD Officers work with City Staff to set up emails. Seconded by Councilmember Jessica Weber. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.**



HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 9, 2021

Old City Business

- State of MN - Office of State Auditor
 - Attorney General's Office Letter (Cell Phone Contracts)
 - City Clerk Gruenhagen reported that our cell phone plan differs from other cities as they give a monthly reimbursement to employees who use their personal cell phones for city business.
 - Credit Card Use and Policies
 - There is no rule regarding the use of a city debit card vs. a city credit card. The added benefit of a credit card is the purchase protection it offers. **Mayor Lund suggested waiting till the City receives auditors' report on these findings.**
- Public Nuisance(s) – 679/710 Park Avenue
 - April 8th Court Date

New City Business

- Petition of Orderly Annexation (Lois Droege)
 - Approve Resolution 2021-03 (Joint Resolution w/YA Township)
 - **Motion: Councilmember Tim Tracy moved to approve Resolution 2021-03 contingent of the resolution passing at YA Township March 10, 2021 meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.**
- Annexation Procedure(s) of Parcel 11.0282010
 - City Clerk Gruenhagen is still waiting for clarification on the procedures and guidelines from City Attorney.
- Estimates for City Hall Floor (Bar Side)
 - **Motion: Councilmember Eric Poppler moved to accept the hall floor bid from JT Flooring in the amount of \$20,549.99. Seconded by Councilmember Tim Tracy. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.**
- Inflow/Infiltration Compliance Letters (April 1, 2021 Deadline)
 - Send a final reminder letter of the April 1 deadline. Begin billing the \$100 penalty on the April usage billing.
- Ducks for Park Pond (Cost)
 - Council is in agreement to assist with the cost. City Clerk Gruenhagen will inquire as to the best way to help.
- Garbage Pickup (Alleys)
 - Mayor Lund asked that a letter be sent stating no alleyway garbage and recycling pickup starting Monday, March 15th. They are to be placed at the curb for pick up until further notice.
- Sanitary Sewer Line (William St to George St) – Add fill to field.
 - Mayor Lund asked City Clerk Gruenhagen to have Mr. Bergmann write out a plan showing that the manhole will not be compromised and there will be no impact on houses from run-off.



***HAMBURG CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 9, 2021***

- Grocery Store Investigation Group Survey (NYA)
 - Put on City Website and include in City Newsletter
- NYA Guide – City Ad
 - **Motion: Councilmember Scott Feltmann moved to place a ¼ page ad for the Hall in the NYA Guide for \$275.00. Seconded by Councilmember Tim Tracy. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.**


City Council Reports

- Councilmember Scott Feltmann
 - There are concerns about dogs running at large in town.
 - Lois Droege sold all her townhomes.
- Councilmember Eric Poppler
- Councilmember Jessica Weber
- Councilmember Tim Tracy
- Mayor Chris Lund
 - Let staff know if you have anything to add to this week's newsletter.

Motion: Councilmember Tim Tracy moved to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 9:38 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Eric Poppler. Motion was unanimously approved with all Councilmembers present.

Submitted on March 25, 2021
by Deputy Clerk Tamara Bracht

Amended/Approved on April 12, 2021



Jeremy Gruenhagen, City Clerk/Treasurer