

**HANOVER TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MARCH 5, 2024 6:00 P.M.**  
**HANOVER COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**200 SPRUCE LANE HANOVER, IN 47243**

Town officials present were: President Debbie Kroger, Councilmembers Treva Shelton, Kenny Garrett, Ben Sommer and Tim Buxton; Clerk Treasurer Coby Cloud and Town Attorney Devon Sharpe

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Kroger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and invited all present to stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

**AUDIENCE CALL:** Christopher Hobbs, resident at 316 Hickory Drive, was present with a concern about chicken and ducks, at 304 Hickory Drive, which get in his yard. Hobbs stated that he was here last year and nothing was resolved and it has only gotten worse. New Code Enforcement Officer, Don Williams, was introduced by President Kroger. Mr. Williams said that he will get started right away and get back with him regarding the matter

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:** Councilmember Sommer made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2024 meeting as submitted. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 to 0. Councilmember Shelton abstained

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Town Marshal Shane Caldwell reported:**

- February stats: 279 calls for service, 19 arrests and 160 total traffic stops
- More arrests in February than January. Officer Daniel is 1 arrest away from 20 DUI in a year
- Received quotes for more security cameras for the park to come out of ARP money

**Code Enforcement Officer Don Williams reported:**

- Introduced himself
- Has already found a couple of issues in town that he is working on

**Superintendent of Streets and Utilities Scott Williams reported:**

- The 60- foot light poles are put together at the park. Blackburn Electric will bring a crane in on March 18<sup>th</sup> to hook up
- Sewer is hooked up on field 2, getting ready to do field 1 and then water
- Ordered 100 bales of straw to sew grass at park
- Received five applications for the part-time park positions. Will schedule a time to interview them
- Requested a change order in the amount of \$6,828.00 for aluminum grading for the UV channel at the waste water plant. Will get with Monty to get it in writing from the college. Mac construction will be doing the work
- Will look in to grants for new street equipment

**Clerk-Treasurer Coby Cloud reported:**

- Presented quote from Northside Security for additional cameras at the park. Councilmember Shelton made a motion to approve \$21,095.00 for security cameras to come out of ARP. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Asked if Kenny Degler and Mike Lichylter will still have employment with the town after the DNR projects are finished. The Council responded, "no"

Councilmember Sommer made a motion to approve \$4,650.00 for Cain Fencing to replace the fence around field 2, to be paid out of the coed softball donation fund. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0. Premier Fencing donated some materials

Councilmember Sommer made a motion to approve a change order in the amount of \$6,828.00 to MAC Construction for grating, pending the funds are available in our contingency money or verification from the college. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Councilmember Sommer made a motion to approve to accept a single lump sum in the amount of \$180,000 from Tower Co for the cell tower, \$50,000.00 to start a non- reverted fund for storm water, \$100,000.00 to be invested and \$30,000.00 to be put in water and sewer. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0. An option of \$1,500.00 per month for ten years or a lump sum of \$180,000.00 was given from Tower Co
- Water Tower to start in the spring
- Installation for the light poles at the park should be next week
- WIC Lease was signed last week by WIC and the Town
- Garrett reported updates for the DNR projects at the park
- Megan Varble has the plaques for the park benches
- Councilmember Garrett made a motion to approve a flat fee of \$2,500.00 and discounted at \$300.00 for any additional hours to Lewis and Wagner to update the employee handbook. Councilmember Sommer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Sale of tractor to be in April
- Councilmember Garrett made a motion to approve \$3,000.00 for a water audit that is done every three years. Councilmember Sommer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Councilmember Sommer made a motion to approve to close out the Community Crossing Matching Grant in the amount of \$289,329.23 to be refunded to the Grant due to an overestimated amount. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- President Kroger made a motion to approve to raise ACH transfers to \$62,000.00. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Councilmember Sommer made a motion to approve Don Server to be the head of the Parks Committee. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- President Kroger made a motion to appoint Councilmember Buxton and Councilmember Sommer to be liaisons over the Parks Department. Councilmember Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- President Kroger made a motion to approve a professional service agreement with Jacobi, Toombs and Lanz, Inc. not to exceed \$5,000.00. Councilmember Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Garrett requested that the utility employees build a 6x8 hitting board for the tennis court. Scott Williams stated that the materials are already on hand

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS:**

Councilmember Garrett made a motion to approve the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$129,630.99. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Hanover Town Council will meet on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at the Hanover Community Center 200 Spruce Lane Hanover, IN 47243



**ADJOURNMENT:** President Kroger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 P.M. Councilmember Shelton seconded the motion

Signatures below are for the Hanover Town Council Meeting held on March, 5, 2024

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Trapp  
Linda Trapp, Deputy Clerk

Approved:

Debbie Kroger  
Debbie Kroger, President

Attest:

Coby Cloud  
Coby Cloud, Clerk-Treasurer

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**CALL TO ORDER:** President Kroger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and invited all present to stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

**AUDIENCE CALL:** None

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:** Councilmember Garrett made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2024 meeting as submitted. Councilmember Sommer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Town Marshal Shane Caldwell reported:**

- Did not see any issues with parked vehicles blocking a driveway on Locust Street that had been reported by the resident
- Issue with a kid driving recklessly in the park, parking lot. Did speak to his mom about bringing him in to have a talk with him. A couple of juveniles vandalized the park restrooms and have been identified and put on house arrest. The prosecutor will send us the paperwork on the matter. Garrett stated that Scott Williams is looking at automatic locks for the restrooms to lock at a set time each evening
- Shelton complemented the Hanover Police Department for their duty in helping through last week's tornados in all areas

**Superintendent of Streets and Utilities Scott Williams was not present:**

**Clerk-Treasurer Coby Cloud was not present:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Foundation and anchors are put in for the cell tower. Kroger stated that the check for \$180,000 was received and it was discussed at the last council meeting and was voted to put \$100,000 in the bank for investment, \$50,000 for storm water and \$30,000 for water and sewer equipment. Now finding out that around \$480,000 is in contingency money from the sewer project, that can only be used for sewer and storm water and equipment for the sewer system, Kroger recommended that the full \$180,000 be invested in the bank since the contingency money can be used for the projects. It was discussed to use the \$480,000 for storm water on West Main by the storage units, for College Hills lift station and for Tullman lift station to redo building and pumps. Also, for equipment like a jetter and a dump truck, which we are also looking at grant money, slip lining down on Hanover Beach across from the sewer plant, fixing the finding from the smoke testing and where we used a camera on some of the lines. Councilmember Sommer made a motion to invest the full \$180,000 in to a short- term CD. Councilmember Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Water Tower to start in the spring
- Installation for the light poles on field 2 will be this Friday
- Garrett reported updates for the DNR projects at the park
- Megan Varble is working on advertisement for the park benches
- Tractor will be taken for auction on April 1<sup>st</sup>. \$5,000 will be the minimum bid accepted

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Councilmember Garrett made a motion to approve a payment request in the amount of \$63,100.00 to MAC Construction. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0

- Councilmember Shelton made a motion to approve a contract with Duke Energy with a monthly cost of \$24.69 and \$41.60 for street lights for Logans' Point and Parkside Drive. Councilmember Sommer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Councilmember Shelton made a motion to approve up to \$2,000.00 for a new zoning map to be updated by Bill Pettitt. Councilmember Buxton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Councilmember Shelton made a motion to approve up to \$4,900.00 for two loads of Field Material to come out of ARP and Donation funds. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0
- Councilmember Sommer made a motion to approve the schedule of Hanover Clean Up Days for the first two weeks of May. Councilmember Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0. Inserts will go out in the May bills
- President Kroger made a motion to approve the terms for the Zoning Board members to be: Stanley Totten for 1 year, Nelson Ehlers for 2 years, Kathi Scroggins for 3 years, Kenny Degler and Ken Kraus Jr. for 4 years. Councilmember Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS:** Councilmember Garrett made a motion to approve the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$389,259.23. Councilmember Sommer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Hanover Park Board will meet on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 5:30 P.M before the Hanover Town Council meeting at 6:00 P.M. at the Hanover Community Center 200 Spruce Lane Hanover, IN 47243
- Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> starting at 11:00 A.M. at the Hanover Park

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilmember Shelton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 P.M. President Kroger seconded the motion

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