

Hanska City Council – Regular Meeting
April 8, 2025
6pm – Hanska Community Center

The meeting was called order by Mayor Daniel Paulson. Those in attendance were Daniel Paulson, Mikale Gustafson, Ian Kjelshus, Lucas Larson and William Wurtz.

Others present were Chris Fischer, Travis Tauer and Angela Pick.

A Motion was made by Ian Kjelshus and seconded by Lucas Larson to approve the agenda with one (1) additional item:

1. Ordinance Number 15 – An Interim Ordinance Establishing a Moratorium on Land Use within the City of Hanska.

Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

A Motion was made by Mikale Gustafson and seconded by Lucas Larson to approve March 11, 2025, Council minutes. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

A Motion was made by Ian Kjelshus and seconded by Lucas Larson to approve the claims. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved. Claims list attached.

A Motion was made by Ian Kjelshus and seconded by Lucas Larson to approve Resolution 2025-9 Resolution Adopting City of Hanska Employee Vehicle Use Policy. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

A Motion was made by Ian Kjelshus and seconded by Lucas Larson to approve Ordinance 15 An Interim Ordinance Establishing a Moratorium on Land Use within the City of Hanska. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

William Wurtz gave the Council an update on the library. A new 3D printer was purchased. The Friends of the Library had their Spring Fling event. This coming Saturday they will be building the raised gardens. A discussion on employees of the City of Hanska being on the Library Board.

A Motion was made by Ian Kjelshus and seconded by Lucas Larson to allow only 2 spots on the board for employees that work less than 20 hours a month. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

Lucas Larson gave an update of the Fire Department. Waffle feed went well. ISO audit was performed and a rating of 5 was given.

Travis Tauer gave an update on Public Works. Great job to Travis for receiving the recognition of exceptional compliance with its MPCA NPDES/SDS wastewater permit during the 2024 review period.

A Motion was made by William Wurtz and seconded by Mikale Gustafson to approve up to \$3700 to purchase a batting cage/netting for the Baseball Park out of the Public Safety Funds. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

A Motion was made by Ian Kjelshus and seconded by Mikale Gustafson to approve payment to City of Madelia for City of Hanska portion of the ambulance capital to date (approx. \$20,000). The Township and City Board agreed to pay up to date amount of the depreciation schedule to purchase a 3rd rig. Going forward the Townships and Cities will be billed for their annual contribution. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

The council discussed moving Citizen Communication to the end of the Council meeting. Residents will have the opportunity to address the Council. Residents are to state their name to the Council. Residents will have 3 minutes to address their concern. The Council may or may not answer the concern that evening. Some concerns may need time to research. The Council appreciates communication with the residents.

Steven Olson, owner of 007.024.001.02.020, approached the Council regarding putting a detached garage on this parcel. Due to the interim ordinance establishing a moratorium on land use within the City of Hanska, the Council has the authority to approve or deny any permit regarding Land Use until the Zoning Ordinance is in place. The parcel is located by the old elementary school. This parcel has not been assigned a street address. A roll call vote was taken for approval of this permit:

Ian Kjelshus – No
Lucas Larson - Yes
William Wurtz – Yes
Mikale Gustafson – No
Daniel Paulson – Yes

Motion for approval of permit to Steven Olson was approved by roll call vote. Motion carried.

At a workshop prior to the Council meeting the following items were discussed:

1. Contact County Engineer and ask about parking and striping on Main Street.
2. Newspapers that are stored in the basement – Should they be stored a different way?
3. EDA apartments

4. 125th gathering – William Wurtz to work on it.

A Motion was made by Ian Kjelshus and seconded by Mikale Gustafson to adjourn the meeting. Voting in favor of said motion; Daniel Paulson-Yes, Mikale Gustafson-Yes, William Wurtz-Yes, Lucas Larson-Yes and Ian Kjelshus- Yes. Motion approved.

Typed this 20th day of April 2025

Chris Fischer,
City Clerk/Treasurer

Attest: City Clerk, Chris Fischer

Mayor, Daniel Paulson

CITY CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT HANSKA CITY COUNCIL MEETING April 8, 2025								
Date	Claim #/Check #	Payee		General	Water	Sewer	Library	EDA
3/19/25	ACH03192025	Payroll	Travis and Chris - 03/19/2025	\$1,187.35	\$125.02	\$125.03		\$62.52
3/18/25	ACH03182025	PERA	Payroll 03/12/2025	\$413.87	\$60.48	\$60.48	\$31.25	\$30.24
3/18/25	ACH031820252	PERA	Travis and Chris - 03/19/2025	\$207.08	\$24.27	\$24.27		\$12.13
3/26/25	ACH032620251-5	Payroll	Payroll 03/09/2025-03/22/2025	\$2,235.14	\$323.83	\$323.83	\$598.24	\$161.92
3/26/25	ACH032620256	PERA	Payroll 03/09/2025-03/22/2025	\$376.23	\$60.48	\$60.48	\$90.18	\$30.24
3/28/25	ACH03292025	NCPERS	Payroll	\$8.16	\$3.20	\$3.20		\$1.60
3/29/25	ACH032920252	March Withholding/1st Qtr Return	March Withholding/1st Qtr Return	\$241.02	\$65.02	\$65.02	\$14.01	\$32.50
3/29/25	ACH032920253	March Withholding/941 Return	March Withholding/941 Return	\$1,481.82	\$247.89	\$247.89	\$137.79	\$123.94
4/2/25	ACH04022025	Payroll	Travis and Chris - 04/02/2025	\$1,204.94	\$132.07	\$132.07		\$66.03
4/2/25	ACH040220252	PERA	Travis and Chris - 04/02/2025	\$207.08	\$24.27	\$24.27		\$12.13
4/9/25	ACH04092025-3 (9668)	Payroll	Payroll 03/23/2025-04/05/2025	\$2,066.02	\$323.83	\$323.83	\$499.15	\$161.92
4/9/25	ACH04092025-4	PERA	Payroll 03/23/2025-04/05/2025	\$358.45	\$60.48	\$60.48	\$81.20	\$30.24
4/20/25	ACH04202025	Brown County REA	Electric 02/28/2025-03/31/2025	\$1,395.44	\$219.67	\$184.51	\$86.51	
4/8/25	9669	Runnings		\$173.15	\$331.95			
4/8/25	9670	Bolton and Menk	Well Project and Sewer Reports		\$7,406.00	\$190.00		
4/8/25	9671	Badger Meter	Meter Reading		\$95.88	\$95.88		
4/8/25	9672	Arnold's of Mankato		\$1,525.49				
4/8/25	9673	Nilson Heating & Air Cond.	EDA Furance					\$270.00
4/8/25	9674	Quadient Finance USA, Inc.	Mail Machine		\$94.46	\$94.46		
4/8/25	9675	Menards		\$256.91		\$69.99	\$189.00	
4/8/25	9676	Hanska Repair		\$110.95				
4/8/25	9677	Fafinski Mark & Johnson	Attorney Fee - Criminal and Civil	\$1,634.50				
4/8/25	9678	American Welding & Machining		\$458.29				
4/8/25	9679	Hawkins			\$1,493.48			
4/8/25	9680	Quill	Paper for City Hall	\$45.99				
4/8/25	9681	Brown County Auditor Treasurer	EDA In Lieu of Taxes					\$3,525.00
4/8/25	9682	Brown County Auditor Treasurer	2025 Taxes/Assessments	\$1,687.82		\$320.00		
4/8/25	9683	Gopher State One Call			\$0.67	\$0.68		
4/8/25	9684	Hanska C-Store	Gas	\$498.23				
4/8/25	9685	Johanneck Water Conditioning	Water				\$26.00	
4/8/25	9686	Printwear Graphics	Postage for samples		\$10.63			
4/8/25	9687	River View Sanitation	Garbage Services	\$459.99			\$152.28	
4/8/25	9688	Travis Tauer	2024 Cell Phone Reimb	\$100.00				
4/8/25	9689	Rural Water Impact & Municipal	Website Hosting	\$245.66	\$245.67	\$245.67		
4/8/25	9690	Travers Des Sioux Library System	1st half of 2025 Services				\$1,832.02	
4/8/25	9691	Freedom Door Company	North Shed Door	\$650.00				
4/8/25	9692	League of MN Cities	Training Travis Tauer	\$20.00				
4/8/25	9693	Searles Well Drilling	Well Maint		\$208.00			
4/8/25	9694	Nuvera	Telephone/Internet	\$590.12		\$51.83	\$53.82	
4/8/25	9695	Hunt Electric Corp	Electrical work on pump - well house		\$178.50			
		TOTALS		\$19,839.70	\$11,735.75	\$2,703.87	\$3,791.45	\$4,520.41
Mayor, Daniel Paulson			Attest: Chris Fischer, City Clerk					