

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes
September 25, 2023

1. Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Tossava in Council Chambers at City Hall.

2. Present at roll call were: Barlow, Bowers, Cary, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

City Staff and Appointees Present: Moyer-Cale, Bever, Boulter, Jordan, Tate, King, and Wood.

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Approval of the agenda

Motion by McLean, with support from Jarvis, to approve the agenda as amended, to include item 10C considering the purchase of a new sewer camera.
All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the minutes of the September 11, 2023 workshop and regular meetings

Motion by Barlow, with support from Cary, to approve the minutes as presented.

Ayes: Barlow, Bowers, Cary, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.
Motion carried.

6. Public Hearings: (None)

7. Public Comment:

Tina Harnish, 118 E Walnut Street, sewer backup and issues
Joel Ibbotson, Rutland Township
Chuck Hertzler, City of Hastings

8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations: (None)

9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Consider casting a ballot on behalf of the City of Hastings for George Bosanic, Sue Osborn, and Dave Post to serve three-year terms on the Michigan Municipal League (MML) Liability & Property Pool Board.
Comments from Mayor Tossava.

Motion by Cary, with support from Nesbitt, to cast a ballot on behalf of the City of Hastings for George Bosanic, Sue Osborn, and Dave Post to serve three-year terms on the Michigan Municipal League (MML) Liability & Property Pool Board.

Ayes: Barlow, Bowers, Cary, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

10. Items of Business

- A. Consider request from the Hastings Downtown Business Team to hold Fall Girls Night Out and hold sidewalk sales on Thursday, October 5, 2023 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM under the direction of staff and consider adoption of **Resolution 2023-28** staying the necessary ordinances.

Motion by Bowers, with support from Furrow, to approve the request from the from the Hastings Downtown Business Team to hold Fall Girls Night Out and hold sidewalk sales on Thursday, October 5, 2023 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM under the direction of staff and adopt **Resolution 2023-28** staying the necessary ordinances

Question from Cary.

Ayes: Barlow, Bowers, Cary, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

- B. Consider approval of a contract for tree planting from Horrocks in the amount of **\$17,932.64**.

Motion by Nesbitt, with support from Barlow, to approve the contract for tree planting from Horrocks in the amount of **\$17,932.64**.

Ayes: Barlow, Bowers, Cary, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

- C. Consider approval of the purchase of a new VeriSight Pro sewer camera from Bell Equipment for **\$12,900.00**.

Comments from Mayor Tossava.

Motion by Jarvis, with support by McLean, to approve the purchase of the

VeriSight Pro sewer camera from Bell Equipment for **\$12,900.00**.

Ayes: Barlow, Bowers, Cary, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

11. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussions (None)

12. City Manager Report:

City Manager Moyer-Cale addressed council.

A. Police Chief Boulter presented his monthly report and addressed council.

Questions from Jarvis and Furrow.

B. City Clerk/Treasurer Bever presented his monthly report and addressed council.

C. Community Development Director King presented his monthly report and addressed council.

Question from McLean.

13. Reports and Communications:

A. Riverside Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board Minutes August 9, 2023

B. Event Calendar for September 2023

C. Event Calendar for October 2023

Motion by McLean, with support from Jarvis, to approve and place items A-C on file. All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Public Comment:

Joel Ibbotson, Rutland Township
Charles Hertzler, City of Hastings
Adam Heikkila, Local Business Owner
Julie Wallace, City of Hastings
Laran Muhqueed, City of Hastings

15. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Cary and Bowers.

16. Closed Session

A. Consider recessing to closed session at the conclusion of regular business as permitted by PA 267 of 1976, Section 15.268-8(h) to consider material exempt

from disclosure by state or federal statute (to receive privileged attorney-client communication).

Motion by Cary, with support from Furrow, to recess to closed session at the conclusion of regular business as permitted by PA 267 of 1976, Section 15.268-8(h) to consider material exempt from disclosure by state or federal statute (to receive privileged attorney-client communication).

Ayes: Barlow, Bowers, Cary, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

B. Recess to closed session at 7:40 PM.

C. Adjourn back to open session at 8:50 PM.

17. Consider approval of an amendment to the agenda.

Motion made by McLean, with support from Barlow, to amend the agenda to include an additional item.

All ayes. Motion carried.

18. Consider directing the City Manager and City Attorney to draft a code of ethics and resolution of censure.

Motion made by McLean, with support from Jarvis, authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to draft a more stringent code of ethics and to draft a resolution of censure against Councilmember Jim Cary.

Ayes: Barlow, Furrow, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

Nays: Bowers, Cary.

Absent: None.

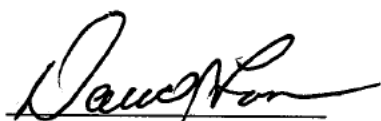
Motion carried.

19. Adjourn

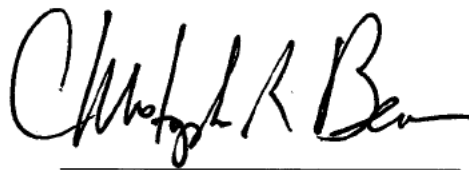
Motion by McLean, with support from Jarvis, to adjourn at 9:01 PM.

All ayes. Motion carried.

Read and Approved:



David J. Tossava, Mayor



Christopher R. Bever, City Clerk