

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes
June 24, 2024

1. Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 PM
2. Roll call

Councilmembers Present: Barlow, Bowers, Brehm, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

City Staff and Appointees Present: Moyer-Cale, Kelly, King, Jordan, Tate, and Wood.
3. Pledge to the flag
4. Approval of the agenda

Tossava suggested amending the agenda by removing item #6.

Motion by McLean, with support from Jarvis, to approve the agenda as amended.

All ayes. Motion carried.
5. Approval of the minutes of the June 10, 2024, regular meeting

Motion by Jarvis, with support from Nesbitt, to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024, regular meeting.

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, Bowers, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.
Motion carried.
- ~~6. Oath of Office: City Clerk/Treasurer William Schmidt~~
7. Public Hearings: (None)
8. Public Comment:

Heather Wing, running for Barry County Treasurer
Terry Dennison, Barry County Commission on Aging
Betsy Colgan, Barry County Commission on Aging
Courtney Ziny, Executive Director, Commission on Aging
Gary White, Nashville
Christine Terpening, Vermontville

9. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:

- A. Presentation from Dave Hatfield, Barry County Commissioner.

10. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Receive and place on file fourteen (14) invoices totaling \$185,324.87 as detailed in attachments.

Motion by Barlow, with support from Resseguie, to receive and place on file fourteen (14) invoices totaling \$185,324.87 as detailed in attachments.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

11. Items of Business:

- A. Deliberation and selection of 2nd Ward councilmember.

Motion by Brehm, with support from Resseguie, to appoint Terry Stenzelbarton as Council member for the Second (2nd) Ward.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

- B. Second Reading and consider adoption of **Ordinance 623** – Text Amendments to A-1 Apartment District, A-2 Apartment Edge District, and A-O Apartment and Office District.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Barlow, to adopt Ordinance 623 – Text Amendments to A-1 Apartment District, A-2 Apartment Edge District, and A-O Apartment and Office District.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

- C. Second Reading and consider adoption of **Ordinance 624** – Text amendments regarding sign definitions and signs in the B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, and B-6 Districts.

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to adopt Ordinance 624 – Text amendments regarding sign definitions and signs in the B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, and B-6 Districts.

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

- D. Second Reading and consider adoption of **Ordinance 625** – Text amendments regarding Buffer Zone Development Standards and the inclusion of Section 90-1014 Prohibited Species.

Motion by Barlow, with support from McLean, to adopt Ordinance 625 – Text amendments regarding Buffer Zone Development Standards and the inclusion of Section 90-1014 Prohibited Species.

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

- E. Consider adoption of **Resolution 2024-17** to update fees for various city services effective July 1, 2024.

Comment from Tossava.

Motion by McLean, with support from Jarvis, to adopt Resolution 2024-17 to update fees for various city services effective July 1, 2024.

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

- F. Consider adoption of **Resolution 2024-18** as presented to amend the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Nesbitt, to adopt Resolution 2024-18 as presented to amend the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.

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

- G. Consider appointment of Jeff Sluggett to serve as city attorney representing the City of Hastings for matters related to code enforcement.

Comments from Jessica Wood, City Attorney.

Motion by Barlow, with support from McLean, to appoint Jeff Sluggett to serve as city attorney representing the City of Hastings for matters related to code enforcement.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

- H. Consider approval of one of the three City Hall landscape design build options based on the presentation and design.

Comments from Resseguie, Jarvis, and Tossava.

Comments from City Manager Moyer-Cale.

Motion by Bowers, with support from Barlow, to approve the proposal for City Hall landscape design from Harder & Warner Landscapes, Inc, totaling \$6104.04.

Ayes: Barlow, Bowers, Brehm, McLean, and Tossava.

Nays: Jarvis, Nesbitt, and Resseguie.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

- I. Consider authorizing DPS Staff to place old dump trucks 80 and 350 on Rangerbid for sale.

Comment from Tossava.

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to authorize DPS Staff to place old dump trucks 80 and 350 on Rangerbid for sale.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

12. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussions (None)

13. City Manager Report:

City Manager Moyer-Cale addressed Council.

- A. Deputy Police Chief Julissa Kelly presented Chief Boulter's monthly report and addressed council.
- B. The monthly financial reports were presented.
- C. Community Development Director King presented his monthly report.

14. Reports and Communications:

- A. May 8, 2024, Riverside Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board Minutes
- B. July 2024 Calendar

Motion by McLean, with support from Barlow, to accept and place on file items A-B.

All ayes. Motion carried.

15. Public Comment:

Gary White
Courtney Ziny
Dave Hatfield

16. Mayor and Council comment:

Questions from Bowers and McLean.

Comments from Jarvis, Resseguie, and Tossava.

17. 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 McLean, with support from Jarvis, 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, Brehm, Bowers, Jarvis, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, and Tossava.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

- B. Recess to closed session at 7:55 PM.

- C. Adjourn back to open session at 8:48 PM.

18. Consider approval of an amendment to the agenda.

Motion by McLean, with support from Jarvis, to amend the agenda to include two additional action items: one relating to property access and repayment agreement and one relating to a potential 425 agreement.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.
Motion carried.

19. Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and finalize a property access and repayment agreement with Jerold Saeman.

Motion by McLean, with support from Jarvis, to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and finalize a property access and repayment agreement with Jerold Saeman.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

20. Consider authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to begin discussions relating to a potential 425 Agreement.

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to begin discussions relating to a potential 425 Agreement.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.


21. Adjourn

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Barlow, to adjourn at 8:58 PM.

All ayes. Motion carried.

Read and Approved:


David J. Tossava, Mayor


Amy Hubbell, Deputy City Clerk