

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes
May 27, 2025

1. Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 PM
2. Oath of Office: Mike Bergeron – City Council 1st Ward Council member
3. Roll call

Councilmembers Present: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

City Staff and Appointees Present: Moyer-Cale, Boulter, Jordan, Neil and Perin

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to excuse Councilmember McLean. All ayes. Motion carried.
4. Pledge to the flag
5. Approval of the agenda

Comment from Tossava about changes to Item of Business 11G, and addition of Item of Business 11H.

Motion by Rocha, with support from Devroy, to approve the revised agenda as amended.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
Nays: None
Absent: McLean
Motion carried.
6. Approval of the minutes:
 - A. Approval of the minutes of the May 12, 2025, workshop meeting

Motion by Barlow, with support from Rocha, to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2025, workshop meeting.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
Nays: None
Absent: McLean
Motion carried.

B. Approval of the minutes of the May 12, 2025, regular meeting

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2025, regular meeting.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
 Nays: None
 Absent: McLean
 Motion carried.

C. Approval of the minutes of the May 12, 2025, closed session meeting

Motion by Devroy, with support from Resseguie, to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2025, closed session meeting.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
 Nays: None
 Absent: McLean
 Motion carried.

7. Public Hearings:

A. Hearing on Industrial Development District.

Discussion held.

Public hearing opened at 7:07 PM.
 Public hearing closed at 7:08 PM.

8. Public Comment:

Comments from Charles Hertzler, City of Hastings resident, about the proposed Meijer in Rutland Township with Hastings water and sewer services provided, and his opposition.

9. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:

A. Presentation from Dave Hatfield, Barry County Commissioner (Absent).

B. Presentation from Rodney Palmer, Mercy Ambulance Update.

10. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

A. Receive and place on file one (1) invoice totaling **\$58,321.04**.

Motion by Brehm, with support from Stenzelbarton, to receive and place on file one (1) invoice totaling **\$58,321.04**

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
 Nays: None

Absent: McLean
Motion carried.

11. Items of Business:

- A. Motion to adopt **Ordinance 630** and approve the final site plan for Bachman Fields Planned Unit Development with the contingencies recommended by the Planning Commission.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to adopt **Ordinance 630** and approve the final site plan for Bachman Fields Planned Unit Development with the contingencies recommended by the Planning Commission.

Discussion held.

Comments from Mike West, project developer from Allen Edwin Homes in Portage, answering questions from Council.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- B. Motion to adopt **Resolution 2025-15** to establish an Industrial Development District for city-owned property on Star School Road for future development.

Motion by Rocha, with support from Stenzelbarton, to adopt **Resolution 2025-15** to establish an Industrial Development District for city-owned property on Star School Road for future development.

Discussion held.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- C. Consideration of the American Tower lease agreement amendment request.

Discussion held.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Devroy, to take no action and leave American Tower lease agreement currently as is.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha and Tossava

Nays: Brehm and Stenzelbarton

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- D. Motion to adjust the system improvement fee waiver for Copper Rock Construction from **\$268,050 to \$296,642.**

Motion by Brehm, with support from Devroy, to adjust the system improvement fee waiver for Copper Rock Construction from **\$268,050 to \$296,642.**

Discussion held.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- E. Consider West Madison Streetlight request.

Discussion held.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to develop and write a policy that states if a citizen requests a streetlight, they will pay for it, and the City of Hastings would pay for on-going electricity.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: Brehm

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- F. Motion to approve construction engineering by Moore & Bruggink in the amount not to exceed **\$434,500.**

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Brehm, to approve construction engineering by Moore & Bruggink in the amount not to exceed **\$434,500.**

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- G. Motion to approve the bid by Kamminga and Roodvoets to complete Green and Market Street improvements in the amount of **\$5,812,484.55**, and approve the project budget with the total contingency of **\$581,306**, upon the City obtaining financing.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve the bid by Kamminga and Roodvoets to complete Green and Market Street improvements in the amount of **\$5,812,484.55**, and approve the project budget with the total contingency of **\$581,306**, upon the City obtaining financing.

Discussion held.

Ayes: Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie and Tossava

Nays: Barlow, Rocha and Stenzelbarton

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- H. Consider "Island" 425 Agreement between the City of Hastings and Rutland Charter Township in connection to the Meijer development property parcel.

Discussion held.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Devroy, to agree to "Island" 425 Agreement concept between the City of Hastings and Rutland Charter Township, and negotiate future hookups with water and sewer.

Ayes: Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, Resseguie, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: Barlow and Rocha

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

12. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussions: (None)

13. City Manager Report:

Reports interest from entity to display portraits recognizing City of Hastings veterans.

Discussion held, with agreement that process should start with DDA discussion.

Establish a date for a Council photo for the dates of June 23, July 14 or July 28, 2025, scheduled a half an hour before regular Council meeting. Will contact absent Councilmember McLean and photographer for follow-up.

- A. Police Chief Boulter Monthly Report

Comments and discussion about Officer Josh Sensiba's last day on Friday, June 13, 2025.

- B. City Clerk/Treasurer Perin Monthly Financial Reports

- C. Department of Public Services Street Superintendent Neil Report

Discussion held.

14. Reports and Communications:

- A. Riverside Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board Minutes – May 15, 2025

Motion by Brehm, with support from Barlow, to accept and place on file item A.
All ayes. Motion carried.

15. Public Comment:

Comments from Joel Ibbottson, Rutland Township resident, speaking against the 425 Agreement for Meijer and Rutland Charter Township.

16. Mayor and Council comment:

Mayor Tossava commented about attendance issues at various Boards and encourages regular attendance.

17. Adjourn

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Devroy, to adjourn meeting.
All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Read and Approved:


David J. Tossava, Mayor
Linda Perin, City Clerk