City of Hastings

COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes June 9, 2025

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

Councilmembers Present: Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, McLean, Resseguie, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

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

Motion by Resseguie, with support from McLean, to excuse Councilmembers Barlow and Rocha.

All ayes. Motion carried.

- 3. Pledge to the flag
- 4. Approval of the agenda

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the minutes of the May 27, 2025, regular meeting

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2025, regular meeting.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow and Rocha

Motion carried.

- 6. Public Hearings: (None)
- 7. Public Comment:
- 8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:
 - A. Presentation from Dave Hatfield, Barry County Commissioner.

Comments about groundbreaking ceremony for the Commission on Aging Building on M-79, adjacent to Thornapple Manor Harvest Pointe Assisted Living.

Comments on Jail Committee holding initial organizational meeting last week. Expect future updates from the committee.

Comments on union contracts in negotiation.

B. Presentation from Pattrick Jansens, from Barry County Emergency Management, on Rock the Country 2025.

Comments on press release published last week, an estimated 50,000 attendance for the Rock the Country event, and security and infrastructure being in place. Coordination taking place with nearby county emergency managers.

Hastings Airport will be the arrival point of the performers, and the Sheriff's Department will assist with police escort.

Requested communication with constituents about city and traffic conditions.

Reminder of Community Update text number – 226787. This is a general information number, and not solely for Rock the Country.

Comments from the City of Hastings Fire Chief Mark Jordan, outlining that the Hastings Fire Department is providing supportive service for the Rock the Country event. There will be two shifts of Department coverage each day. There will also be Fire personnel still active to support the city residents as needed.

Discussion held.

- 9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent: (None)
- 10. Items of Business:
 - A. Motion to adopt **Resolution 2025-16** to authorize the issuance of limited tax general obligation bond series 2025.

Motion by McLean, with support from Brehm, to adopt **Resolution 2025-16** to authorize the issuance of limited tax general obligation bond series 2025.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow, Rocha

Motion carried.

B. Motion to accept the proposal from Keyes Cleaning Service for a three-year agreement for custodial services at City Hall for \$295/week.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to accept the proposal from Keyes Cleaning Service for a three-year agreement for custodial services at City Hall for **\$295/week.**

Discussion held, about rejecting the proposal, and to accept Hallifax Custodial Services bid.

Motion withdrawn by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from McLean, to approve Hallifax Custodial Services for a three-year agreement for custodial services at City Hall for \$320.77/week.

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

Nays: Stenzelbarton Absent: Barlow, Rocha

Motion carried.

11. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussions:

A. Salt Barn Process

Presentation from Department of Public Services Streets Superintendent Rob Neil.

Discussion held.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Devroy, to proceed with budgeted project to replace the Salt Barn.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow, Rocha

Motion carried.

12. City Manager Report:

Placed advertisement for full-time Firefighter – new position approved for FY25-26.

Invitations arriving for groundbreaking ceremony for the Hastings Riverwalk Lofts, on July 1, 2025.

Reminder for City Council photo at 6:30 PM the next Council Meeting, June 23, 2025.

A. Fire Chief Jordan Monthly Report

Discussion was held.

- B. Library Director Edelman Monthly Report
- C. Water Utilities Superintendent Robins Monthly Report

Discussion was held.

13. Reports and Communications:

A. YMCA Updates for the City of Hastings – May 21, 2025

B. Hastings Public Library Board of Trustees DRAFT Minutes – June 2, 2025

Motion by Brehm, with support from Resseguie, to accept and place on file items A and B.

All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Public Comment:

Comments from Nancy Hallifax, offering thanks for considering her bid for custodial services at the City Hall.

Comments from Dave Hatfield, city resident, complimenting the quality of the Downtown Streetscape.

15. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Devroy on the dedication of the Library Storywalk.

Comments from Tossava on the Rock the Country event.

16. Adjourn:

Motion by McLean, with support from Stenzelbarton, to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM.

Read and Approved:

David J. Tossava, Mayor

Linda Perin, City Clerk