

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes
July 14, 2025

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

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

City Staff and Appointees Present: Boulter, Jordan, King, Neil, Perin and Robins
3. Pledge to the flag
4. Approval of the agenda

Motion by Rocha, with support from McLean, to approve the agenda as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.
5. Approval of the minutes of the June 23, 2025, regular meeting

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Barlow, to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2025, regular meeting.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, McLean, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion carried.
6. Public Hearings: (None)
7. Public Comment:

Comments from William Bitgood, Hastings resident, about a 3 road accident he had at Wendy's off of W State St and N Market St, and his not protesting the ticket. He just requests a speed limit adjustment to that area of the City of Hastings, lowering it.
8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:
 - A. Presentation from Dave Hatfield, Barry County Commissioner (Absent)

9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Motion to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Dave Hatfield from the City of Hastings Board of Review.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from McLean, to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Dave Hatfield from the City of Hastings Board of Review.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- B. Receive and place on file twenty-eight (28) invoices totaling **\$426,729.89.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to receive and place on file twenty-eight (28) invoices totaling **\$426,729.89.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

10. Items of Business:

- A. First reading of **Ordinance 631** – Chapter 22 – Businesses, Article 22-1.

Comments from Dan King for further explanation of Ordinance 631, and what it means for local businesses.

- B. Motion to adopt the Paid Parental Leave Policy as presented.

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to adopt the Paid Parental Leave Policy as presented.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- C. Motion to approve Barry County Serenity Club to accept donations and free will offerings during the Overdose Awareness concert on **Saturday, August 30, 2025**, to be held at the Thornapple Plaza.

Motion by Rocha, with support from Stenzelbarton, to approve Barry County Serenity Club to accept donations and free will offerings during the Overdose Awareness concert on **Saturday, August 30, 2025**, to be held at the Thornapple Plaza.

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

- D. Compare developer proposals for City-owned residential property acquisition and development and authorize the City Manager to negotiate a purchase and development agreement for the property for the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

Explanation of property history by Dan King.

Comments from Tossava about absence of other developer, Allan Edwin Homes of Richland.

Presentation from Marv Helder, Vice-President and developer, of Helder Greenhouse Construction Inc., explaining how they will build any type of requested housing the City feels is needed (Apartments, town homes, condos, single-family homes..., etc.). Helder is very interested in the project.

Discussion held with the Council and Marv Helder, answering questions from Council members.

- E. Motion to approve the purchase of Genesis Combination Extrication Tool from Rescue Resources in the amount of **\$18,650.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve the purchase of Genesis Combination Extrication Tool from Rescue Resources in the amount of **\$18,650.**

Discussion held, with comments from Chief Jordan about necessity of purchase of extraction tool.

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

- F. Motion to approve the purchase of a Stryker Lifepak LP 15 Monitor/AED from Stryker Sales LLC in the amount of **\$23,069.57.**

Motion by Barlow, with support from Devroy, to approve the purchase of a Stryker Lifepak LP 15 Monitor/AED from Stryker Sales LLC in the amount of **\$23,069.57.**

Discussion held, with comments from Chief Jordan about necessity of purchase of AED monitor.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, McLean, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton

and Tossava
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Motion carried.

- G. Motion to approve the purchase of a 2025 Caterpillar Wheel Loader in the amount of \$278,315.41, less trade-in value of \$28,000 for the City's 2008 Wheel Loader, which lessens the purchase price to a total of **\$250,315.41.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve the purchase of a 2025 Caterpillar Wheel Loader in the amount of \$278,315.41, less trade-in value of \$28,000 for the City's 2008 Wheel Loader, which lessens the purchase price to a total of **\$250,315.41.**

Discussion held.

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

- H. Motion to approve the purchase of a 2026 Ford F-250 4x4 XL Pickup from Lunghamer Ford of Owosso, MI in the amount of \$50,171, and truck upfitting from Truck and Trailer of Dutton, MI for \$5963, for a totally amount of **\$56,134.**

Motion by Brehm, with support from Barlow, to approve the purchase of a 2026 Ford F-250 4x4 XL Pickup from Lunghamer Ford of Owosso, MI, in the amount of \$50,171, and truck upfitting from Truck and Trailer of Dutton, MI, for \$5,963, for a total amount of **\$56,134.**

Discussion held.

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

- I. Motion to approve bid award to IDEAL Coatings LLC for the court resurfacing and line painting of the existing tennis courts at Bob King Park in the amount of **\$65,099.50.** This project will result in eight (8) pickleball courts.

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to approve bid award to IDEAL Coatings LLC for the court resurfacing and line painting of the existing tennis courts at Bob King Park in the amount of **\$65,099.50.** This project will result in eight (8) pickleball courts.

Discussion held.

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

11. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussions: (None)

12. City Manager Report:

Comments from Tossava in regards to City Manager's unavailability due to travel delays.

- A. Fire Chief Jordan Monthly Report

Comments from Chief Jordan about increased medical supplies in transports, and the purchase and delivery of new ambulance. Confirmed new hire of Nate Converse as Lieutenant.

- B. Library Director Edelman Monthly Report

- C. Water Services Superintendent Robins Monthly Report

13. Reports and Communications:

- A. Downtown Development Authority DRAFT Meeting Minutes – June 19, 2025

- B. Hastings Public Library Board of Trustees DRAFT Meeting Minutes – July 7, 2025

Motion by Rocha, with support from McLean, to place on file items A and B.
 All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Public Comment: (None)

15. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Tossava about open slots still at the Barry County Fair for the City of Hastings booth. Check with Dan King for details.


Comments from Barlow, complimenting the First Responders Event and Rock the Block Party event.


Closing comments from Tossava about the need for extra Tangle Town staff and promotion.

16. Adjourn:

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to adjourn.
 All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Read and Approved:


David J. Tossava, Mayor


Linda Perin, City Clerk