

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes
July 28, 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: Moyer-Cale, Boulter, Jordan, King, Neil, Perin and Robins

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Approval of the agenda

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

5. Approval of the minutes of the July 14, 2025, regular meeting

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Barlow, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 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: (None)

8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:

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

B. Presentation from Brian Farkas, Director of Workforce Housing at Allen Edwin, on housing developments for Hayes/Orchard property, explaining plans for 16-19 single family homes with 3-5 bedrooms. 80% of planned homes would be at market rate starting at \$350,000, and 4 homes would be for "missing middle" family of four making under \$124,320.

Answered questions from Bergeron, Devroy, Rocha and Tossava.

Presentation from Marv Helder, revisiting his proposal for the Hayes/Orchard property from the July 14, 2025 Council meeting.

Neither developer familiar with, or interested in, the Land Trust Option.

9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Consider casting a ballot on behalf of the City of Hastings for Brian Boggs, Maureen Donker, Craig Stolsonburg, and Deborah Stuart to serve 4-year terms on the MML Worker's Compensation Fund Board.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Stenzelbarton, to cast a ballot on behalf of the City of Hastings for Brian Boggs, Maureen Donker, Craig Stolsonburg, and Deborah Stuart to serve 4-year terms on the MML Worker's Compensation Fund Board.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- B. Consider approval of the Mayor's appointment of Rosemary Anger for the open position in the Hastings Board of Review.

Motion by Brehm, with support from McLean, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Rosemary Anger for the open position in the Hastings Board of Review.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- C. Receive and place on file seven (7) invoices totaling **\$152,307.74**.

Motion by Barlow, with support from Devroy, to receive and place on file seven (7) invoices totaling **\$152,307.74**.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

10. Items of Business:

- A. Second reading and consider adoption of **Ordinance 631**, amending Chapter 22, Article 22-I, Sections 22-1, 22-2, and 22-3 of the Hastings Code to regulate loading, sidewalk displays, and sidewalk cafes in the City of Hastings.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to adopt **Ordinance 631**, amending Chapter 22, Article 22-I, Sections 22-1, 22-2, and 22-3 of the Hastings Code to regulate loading, sidewalk displays, and sidewalk cafes in the City of Hastings.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- B. Consider adoption of **Resolution 2025-20** to amend the poverty tax reduction guidelines for the Board of Review of the City of Hastings.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to adopt **Resolution 2025-20** to amend the poverty tax reduction guidelines for the Board of Review of the City of Hastings.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- C. Consider approval of, under direction of staff, the Hastings Business Connection to hold Sidewalk Sales on **Friday, August 15 and Saturday, August 16, 2025**, and stay Ordinance in Article 22-I, Section 22-2, by adopting **Resolution 2025-21**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy to approve, under direction of staff, the Hastings Business Connection to hold Sidewalk Sales on **Friday, August 15 and Saturday, August 16, 2025**, and stay Ordinance in Article 22-I, Section 22-2, by adopting **Resolution 2025-21**.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- D. Consider approval of, under direction of staff, Barry-Eaton District Health Department request to hold the **Maternal and Child Wellness** event in Tyden Park from **9:00 AM until 12:00 PM on Tuesday, August 5, 2025.**

Motion by Rocha, with support from McLean, to approve, under direction of staff, Barry-Eaton District Health Department request to hold the **Maternal and Child Wellness** event in Tyden Park from **9:00 AM until 12:00 PM on Tuesday, August 5, 2025.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- E. Consider approval of, under direction of staff, the request from the Hastings Business Connection (HBC) to amend the location of the previously approved **Saturday, August 9, 2025, Rock the Block Street Party Dance** from State Street between Church and Jefferson to **Jefferson between State and Court Streets**. The event timeframe on Saturday, August 9, will remain the same from **6:00 PM until 10:00 PM**, as will the request for the Council to consent to the street closure on Jefferson Street between State and Court Streets.

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to approve, under direction of staff, the request from the Hastings Business Connection (HBC) to amend the location of the previously approved **Saturday, August 9, 2025, Rock the Block Street Party Dance** from State Street between Church and Jefferson to **Jefferson between State and Court Streets**. The event timeframe on Saturday, August 9, will remain the same from **6:00 PM until 10:00 PM**, as will the request for the Council to consent to the street closure on Jefferson Street between State and Court Streets.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- F. Consider approval of the Central Elementary PTO to accept donations and free will offerings during the STOMP 2025 Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser on **Tuesday, September 16, 2025, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Rocha, to approve the Central Elementary PTO to accept donations and free will offerings during the STOMP 2025 Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser on **Tuesday, September 16, 2025, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- G. Consider approval of the Youth Advisory Council to accept donations and free will offerings during the Youth Advisory Council Roofsit on **Saturday, October 18, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM**, at the intersection of State and Jefferson.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the Youth Advisory Council to accept donations and free will offerings during the Youth Advisory Council Roofsit on **Saturday, October 18, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM**, at the intersection of State and Jefferson.

Discussion held, with YAC Interns providing additional information.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- H. Consider approval of the purchase of six (6) ImageCast Precinct 2 (ICP2) in-person voting kits (tabulators) from Election Source to replace the current units in the amount of **\$33,558**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the purchase of six (6) ImageCast Precinct 2 (ICP2) in-person voting kits (tabulators) from Election Source to replace the current units in the amount of **\$33,558**.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- I. Consider approval of the purchase of two (2) 800 MHz radios from C-Comm Communications of Kalamazoo for **\$10,056.48**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Barlow, to approve the purchase of two (2) 800 MHz radios from C-Comm Communications of Kalamazoo for **\$10,056.48**.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- J. Consider approval of the proposal from WaterSolve LLC to provide Polymer for the

Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of **\$27,000.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Stenzelbarton, to approve the proposal from WaterSolve LLC to provide Polymer for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of **\$27,000.**

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- K. Consider approval of the three-year residential contract renewal in the amount of **\$74,483.50** and the three-year non-residential contract renewal of **\$46,499.35** with Hydrocorp for the cross-connection control program.

Motion by McLean, with support from Stenzelbarton, to approve the three-year residential contract renewal in the amount of **\$74,483.50** and the three-year non-residential contract renewal of **\$46,499.35** with Hydrocorp for the cross-connection control program.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- L. Consider approval of the purchase and installation of a 9' Galion Dump Body on a 2014 Dodge 5500 by Truck and Trailer Specialties, Inc. in the amount of **\$16,136.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the purchase and installation of a 9' Galion Dump Body on a 2014 Dodge 5500 by Truck and Trailer Specialties, Inc. in the amount of **\$16,136.'**

Discussion held.

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

Nays: Stenzelbarton

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- M. Consider approval of the proposal from Power Plus Carts & Accessories for the purchase of a Utility Cart for the Wastewater Facility in the amount of **\$12,883.75.**

Motion by Brehm, with support from McLean, to approve the proposal from Power

Plus Carts & Accessories for the purchase of a Utility Cart for the Wastewater Facility in the amount of **\$12,883.75.**

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- N. Consider approval of the sale of two (2) 6.9 yard v-bottom salt spreaders and one (1) 2012 4X4 Dodge 3500 HD service truck, due to recent equipment updates, to reimburse the equipment fund for anticipated sales exceeding **\$5,000.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve the sale of two (2) 6.9 yard v-bottom salt spreaders and one (1) 2012 4X4 Dodge 3500 HD service truck, due to recent equipment updates, to reimburse the equipment fund for anticipated sales exceeding **\$5,000.**

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- O. Consider approval of the purchase of a 2026 International HV607 Tandem Axle Cab and Chassis from West Michigan International for **\$119,381.50**, and truck upfitting from Truck and Trailer Specialties, Inc. for a 14' dump box for the amount of **\$43,862.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the purchase of a 2026 International HV607 Tandem Axle Cab and Chassis from West Michigan International for **\$119,381.50**, and truck upfitting from Truck and Trailer Specialties, Inc. for a 14' dump box for the amount of **\$43,862.**

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:

- A. Potential Community Land Trust Option for Hayes/Orchard Property.

Discussion held.

- B. Developer Proposal Comparison for Parcel #08-55-240-105-00/ Hayes/Orchard Property.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from McLean, to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a purchase and development agreement with Marv Helder.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

12. City Manager Report:

Confirmed with the County Treasurer's Office that they have approved the application for first right of refusal for 133 E State St at the minimum bid.

A. Police Chief Boulter Monthly Report

Commented on the crossing guard training and application form.

B. City Clerk/Treasurer Perin Monthly Financial Reports

C. Community Development Director King Monthly Report

D. Director of Public Services Street Superintendent Neil Report

Commented on demolition of old salt barn, with the coming groundbreaking on new salt barn construction expected next month. Complimented City staff on lead-line replacement efforts.

13. Reports and Communications:

A. Hastings DDA Strategic Plan Kickoff Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2025

B. City of Hastings Downtown Development Authority DRAFT Meeting Minutes – July 17, 2025

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

14. Public Comment: (None)

15. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Tossava, thanking volunteers who worked at the Barry County Fair at the Barry Expo Center.

Comments from Rocha, asking the City Council to financially support TangleTown development.

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 collective bargaining agreement discussion.

Motion by McLean, with support from Rocha, 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 collective bargaining agreement discussion.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:18 PM.

17. Return to Open Session:

Council returned to open session at 8:32 PM.

- A. Approval of contract terms with DPS union.

Motion by Brehm, with support from Barlow, to approve contract terms with DPS union.

All ayes. Motion carried.


18. Adjourn:

Motion by McLean, with support from Barlow, to adjourn.

All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Read and Approved:


 David J. Tossava, Mayor


 Linda Perin, City Clerk