City of Hastings

COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes August 25, 2025

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

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

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

3. Motion by Brehm, with support from Rocha, to excuse Councilmember Barlow from the August 25, 2025, regular meeting.

All ayes. Motion carried.

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

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

6. Approval of the minutes of the August 11, 2025, regular meeting

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2025, regular meeting.

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

Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried.

- 7 Public Hearings:
 - A. Homeowners Rehabilitation CDBG Grant Application.

Opening remarks by Dan King, explaining the grant application process, and the federal requirement to have public hearings.

Council questions answered by Dan King.

7:09 PM – Public Hearing opened and closed.

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8. Public Comment:

Comments from Linda Curtis, Goldstar Mother and city resident, asking for enhanced city ordinances about loud noises and excessive partying.

Comments from Andria Keil, city resident, addressing her issues with Code Compliance in relation to her move from Grand Rapids to Hastings, and placing of curbside materials.

- 9. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:
 - A. Presentation from Dave Hatfield, Barry County Commissioner. (Absent)
- 10. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:
 - A. Consider approval of the Mid-Michigan Lady Boltz to use the Fish Hatchery Softball field on Thursdays from **5:30 PM to 7:00 PM, August 28, 2025 through**October **30, 2025,** and for a Hit-A-Thon event on **Sunday, October 26, 2025**from **12:00 PM to 5:00 PM.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the Mid-Michigan Lady Boltz to use the Fish Hatchery Softball field on Thursdays from **5:30 PM to 7:00 PM, August 28, 2025 through October 30, 2025,** and for a Hit-A-Thon event on **Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM.**

Discussion held.

Ayes: Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, McLean, Ressequie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried.

11. Items of Business:

A. Consider adoption of **Resolution 2025-23** to authorize the purchase and sale agreement with AIO Operating for an Easement at the North Water Tower, 107-A West Blair in Hastings.

Motion by McLean, with support from Rocha, to adopt **Resolution 2025-23** to authorize the purchase and sale agreement with AIO Operating for an Easement at the North Water Tower, 107-A West Blair in Hastings.

Discussion held.

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

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried. B. Consider approval of the proposal by All Call Restoration to remodel the fire department bathrooms for \$24,432.57, with a \$5,000 contingency, for a total approved amount of **\$29,432.57**.

Motion by Rocha, with support from Devroy, to approve the proposal by All Call Restoration to remodel the fire department bathrooms for \$24,432.57, with a \$5,000 contingency, for a total approved amount of **\$29,432.57**.

Discussion held.

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

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried.

C. Consider approval of the purchase of a 2026 HV507 single axle cab and chassis from West Michigan International for **\$114,357.74**, and the upfitting from Truck and Trailer Specialties for **\$107,235**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Brehm, to approve the purchase of a 2026 HV507 single axle cab and chassis from West Michigan International for \$114,357.74, and the upfitting from Truck and Trailer Specialties for \$107,235.

Discussion held.

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

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried.

D. Consider approval of a purchase order for Chip Sealing Contract and proposal from Ace Asphalt & Paving in the amount of **\$132,734.25.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve the purchase order for Chip Sealing Contract and proposal from Ace Asphalt & Paving in the amount of \$132,734.25.

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

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried.

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E. Consider approval for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 lead line replacement by Advantage Plumbing & Drain in the amount of **\$157,290**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Stenzelbarton, to approve Fiscal Year 2025-2026 lead line replacement by Advantage Plumbing & Drain in the amount of \$157,290.

Discussion held.

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

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried.

F. Consider authorization of the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for Ambulance Service contingent on final review and approval by the City Attorney.

Motion by Brehm, with support from Stenzelbarton, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for Ambulance Service contingent on final review and approval by the City Attorney.

Presentation from Mark Meijer, Life EMS Ambulance President, sharing background on Mercy Ambulance, and how Life EMS Ambulance became involved in the discussions to take over ambulance service contract for designated municipal area, beginning September 2025 through December 2026

Discussion held, with Mr. Meijer answering council questions.

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

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow Motion carried.

- 12. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussions:
 - A. Consider proceeding with developing an Assistant City Manager position and eliminating the office of the Director of Public Services.

Motion by Brehm, with support from Stenzelbarton, to proceed with developing an Assistant City Manager position and eliminating the office of the Director of Public Services.

Discussion held, with background details provided by City Manager.

Ayes: Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, McLean, Ressequie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and

Tossava Nays: None Absent: Barlow. Motion carried.

13. City Manager Report:

- A. Police Chief Boulter Monthly Report
- B. City Clerk/Treasurer Perin Monthly Financial Reports
- C. Community Development Director King Monthly Report
- D. Department of Public Services Street Superintendent Neil Report

14. Reports and Communications:

- A. Riverside Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board Minutes August 13, 2025
- B. Downtown Development Authority DRAFT Meeting Minutes August 21, 2025

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

15. Public Comment:

Additional comments from Andria Keil on Code Compliance situations.

Comments from Mark Jordan, Fire Chief, clarifying the Life EMS Ambulance presence in the city the week of August 25-28.

16. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Brehm about an incident at a Meijer store in Ohio that is on social media.

17. Adjourn:

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Read and Approved:

David J. Tossava, Mayor

Linda Perin, City Clerk

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