

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2025

1. Special 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, King, Neil, Perin, and Robins

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Approval of agenda

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to amend the agenda to replace item 10.G with Amendment to Modification to Interlocal Agreement.

All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the minutes

- A. Consider approval of the September 22, 2025, regular meeting minutes.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Devroy, to approve the September 22, 2025, regular meeting minutes.

All ayes. Motion carried.

- B. Consider approval of the September 22, 2025, closed session minutes.

Motion by Barlow, with support from Brehm, to approve the September 22, 2025, closed session minutes.

All ayes. Motion carried.

- C. Consider approval of the September 29, 2025, special meeting minutes.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve the September 29, 2025, special meeting minutes.

All ayes. Motion carried.

6. Public Hearings: (None)

7. Public Comment:

Comments from Sommer Robertson, Hastings resident, requesting to amend City Ordinance on keeping of animals, and to update the Ordinance to reflect State House Bill.

8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:

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

9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

A. Receive and place on file fourteen (14) invoices totaling **\$613,407.30**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to receive and place on file fourteen (14) invoices totaling **\$613,407.30**.

All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Items of Business:

A. Conduct second reading and consider adopting **Ordinance 632** and to approve the final site plan as presented.

Motion by Brehm, with support from Resseguie, to adopt **Ordinance 632** and to approve the final site plan as presented.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

B. Conduct first reading of **Ordinance 633** pertaining to text amendment to Chapter 90, Article 90-VI to add Division 90-VI-6A, Sections 90-350 through 90-357 pertaining to the 3-4 Family Overlay District as recommended by the Planning Commission on October 6, 2025.

Discussion held regarding the definition of "gentle density." Added discussion on legal non-conforming language.

C. Consider accepting the proposal from Allied Mechanical Services, and to approve a construction contract for the wastewater treatment plant improvements Final Clarifier #2 project in the amount of \$494,000 with a contingency of \$24,700 for a total authorized cost of **\$518,700**.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Barlow, to accept the proposal from Allied Mechanical Services, and to approve a construction contract for the wastewater treatment plant improvements Final Clarifier #2 project in the amount of \$494,000 with a contingency of \$24,700 for a total authorized cost of **\$518,700**.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- D. Consider approving an additional \$10,000 for design and bidding oversight and construction administration and inspection engineering for Final Clarifier #2 project by Moore & Bruggink for a total of **\$44,000.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve an additional \$10,000 for design and bidding oversight and construction administration and inspection engineering for Final Clarifier #2 project by Moore & Bruggink for a total of **\$44,000.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- E. Consider approval of street line painting by Michigan Pavement Markings for **\$35,907.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve street line painting by Michigan Pavement Markings for **\$35,907.**

Discussion held with Rob Neil.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- F. Consider approval of the proposal by SME for incentive design services in the amount of **\$5,500.**

Motion by Devroy, with support from McLean, to approve the proposal by SME for incentive design services in the amount of **\$5,500.**

Discussion held with Sarah Moyer-Cale.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- G. Consider amendment for modification to Interlocal Agreement.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve the modified Interlocal Agreement with Hastings Area School System, to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign, and to authorize any further non-substantive modifications to the document as approved by the city attorney.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- H. Consider approving staff to provide notice that we are accepting letters of interest for the property at 133 E State Street and to approve the City Manager to negotiate a purchase and development agreement with interested developers.

Motion by Brehm, with support from Stenzelbarton, to approve staff to provide notice that we are accepting letters of interest for the property at 133 E State Street and to approve the City Manager to negotiate a purchase and development agreement with interested developers.

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:

Received draft from McGrath Consulting Group on EMS services report which is being reviewed internally.

Received 17 applications to date for the Assistant City Manager position.

- A. Fire Chief Jordan Monthly Report

Rob Neil presented in place of the absent Chief Jordan. Spoke about Fire Prevention Month, listing four ways to help with personal fire safety: 1. Change batteries in smoke detectors; 2. Set safe designated meeting spot; 3. Remember to call 911; 4. Contact Fire Department if you need smoke detectors at no cost.

- B. Library Director Edelman Monthly Report

13. Reports and Communications:

- A. Hastings Public Library Board of Trustees DRAFT Minutes – September 8, 2025
- B. Hastings Public Library Board of Trustees DRAFT Minutes – October 6, 2025
- C. YMCA Updates for the City of Hastings – September 24, 2025
- D. Rutland Charter Township/City of Hastings Joint Planning Commission DRAFT

Minutes – September 17, 2025

E. Thornapple River Trail Stakeholders Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2025

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

14. Public Comment:

Comments from Greg Taylor, from Copper Rock Construction, thanking the City Council for the Special Council Meeting on September 29, 2025, for PUD modifications. The CEO of Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) will be touring the project in November.

15. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Devroy, sharing thoughts on the Mayor Exchange with Lowell, and how much money they have received from marijuana revenue that goes to road funding. She was also impressed with Lowell's electrical utility.

Comments from McLean, asking why Hastings opted out of Recreational Marijuana licensing. Councilmember Resseguie provided background.

Comments from Stenzelbarton, reporting that the traffic signal on Mill Street is still blinking, and asked Rob Neil when it will be fixed. Rob Neil replied that they are waiting on a qualified contractor. Stenzelbarton also asked if there was any grant available to businesses for façade improvement. Moyer-Cale confirmed that is so, and recommended speaking to Dan King for more details.

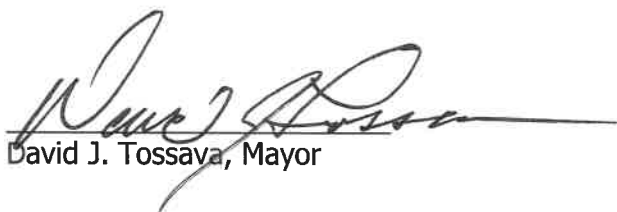
Comments from Rocha, asking for the best method to have an item placed on Council Agenda. He would like to follow-up on the Chicken Ordinance. Further questions on putting Recreational Marijuana discussion on the agenda. Moyer-Cale agreed to provide additional information for council to determine next steps.

Comments from the Mayor, who enjoyed and appreciated the Mayor Exchange with Lowell, and suggests the City do so again with another city next year.

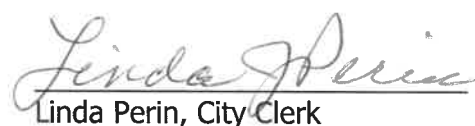
16. Adjourn:

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to adjourn.
All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Read and Approved:



David J. Tossava, Mayor



Linda Perin, City Clerk