

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2026

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

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

City Staff and Appointees Present: Moyer-Cale, Boulter, Jaquays, Jordan, King and Perin
3. Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to excuse Councilmembers Devroy and Rocha.

All ayes. Motion carried.
4. Pledge to the flag
5. Approval of the agenda:

Motion by Resseguie, with support from McLean, to approve the agenda as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.
6. Approval of the minutes of the March 9, 2026, regular meeting.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2026, regular meeting as presented.

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

Comments from Joe and Holley Desirre Sancimino, Hastings residents, noting that local businesses are struggling and that they would like Council to focus on building up businesses, especially restaurants, in the local downtown area.

Comments from Miguel Pilar, Lake Odessa resident, introducing himself to the Council as running for 78th District State Representative. Miguel's focus is to make education top priority and to protect farmers.

9. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:

- A. Child Abuse Awareness Month Proclamation
- B. Citizens Academy Graduation Presentation

10. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Consider approving the installation of eight birdhouses at the city property adjacent to Aldi.

Motion by McLean, with support from Barlow, to approve the installation of eight birdhouses at the city property adjacent to Aldi.

Comments from Kelly Wilson, principal of Southeastern Elementary School, Student Mentor Jim Bruce, and two students, who explained how the birdhouses are made. The goal is to install them in April.

Discussion held.

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

- B. Consider approving the YMCA to fee-free use the large pavilion and Fish Hatchery Building for the Summer Playground program from **June 15 to August 7, 2026, from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve the YMCA to fee-free use the large pavilion and Fish Hatchery Building for the Summer Playground program from **June 15 to August 7, 2026, from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM.**

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

- C. Consider approving, under direction of staff, the revised St. Rose request to hold the annual 5K Fun Run to be held on **Saturday, May 2, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve, under direction of staff, the revised St. Rose request to hold the annual 5K Fun Run to be held on **Saturday, May 2, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.**

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

All ayes. Motion carried.

- D. Consider receiving and place on file eleven (11) invoices totaling **\$123,645.57**.

Motion by Brehm, with support from McLean, to receive and place on file eleven (11) invoices totaling **\$123,645.57**.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Devroy and Rocha

All ayes. Motion carried.

11. Items of Business:

- A. Consider approving the purchase of lead service replacement parts (Quote B114305) from Ferguson Waterworks in the amount of **\$21,010.50**.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve the purchase of lead service replacement parts (Quote B114305) from Ferguson Waterworks in the amount of **\$21,010.50**.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Devroy and Rocha

All ayes. Motion carried.

- B. Consider approving the contract with Assessment Administration Services, LLC as presented and to appoint Paula Jastifer as the Assessor for the City of Hastings.

Motion by Barlow, with support from Resseguie, to approve the contract with Assessment Administration Services, LLC as presented and to appoint Paula Jastifer as the Assessor for the City of Hastings.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Devroy and Rocha

All ayes. Motion carried.

12. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussion: (None)

13. City Manager Report:

- Reminder of nominating petitions for elected office.
- City Hall closed April 3, 2026, in observance of Good Friday.

Mayor Tossava discussed replacing the position of Mayor at the first meeting in January 2027, and to clarify what had been shared at last meeting.

- A. Police Chief Boulter Monthly Report

Mayor Tossava introduced a motion to re-appoint Chief Boulter to the Barry County 911 Board.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Stenzelbarton, to re-appoint Chief Boulter to the Barry County 911 Board.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Devroy and Rocha

All ayes. Motion carried.

- B. City Clerk/Treasurer Perin Monthly Financial Reports
- C. Community Development Director King Monthly Report
- D. Street Supervisor Neil Monthly Report

14. Reports and Communications:

- A. Riverside Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – March 11, 2026
- B. Brownfield Redevelopment Authority DRAFT Special Meeting Minutes – March 12, 2026
- C. Downtown Development Authority DRAFT Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2026

Motion by Brehm, with support from Barlow, to accept and place on file items A-C.

All ayes. Motion carried.

15. Public Comment: (None)

16. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from McLean, welcoming Paula Jastifer to the team.

Comments from Brehm complimenting the people in attendance for the full house.

Comments from Stenzelbarton, recognizing Rob Neil's team for the quick response to the collapsed drain at Hastings Manufacturing.

17. Adjourn:

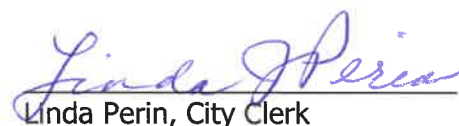
Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to adjourn.

All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Read and Approved:



David J. Tossava, Mayor



Linda Perin, City Clerk