

**City of Hastings**  
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

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**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**April 27, 2026**

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, Jaquays, Jordan, King and Perin
3. Pledge to the flag
4. Approval of the agenda:  
  
Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the agenda as presented.  
All ayes. Motion carried.
5. Approval of the minutes of the April 13, 2026, regular meeting.  
  
Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2026, regular meeting as presented.  
  
Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, McLean, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Motion carried.
6. Public Hearings:
  - A. Downtown Parking Special Assessment District for 2026  
  
Public Hearing Open: 7:03 PM  
  
Comments from Gary White, former downtown business owner, stating the DDA should fund the parking district, and that businesses are struggling.  
  
Comments from Fran Jones, Rutland Township resident, asking what the SAD is.  
  
Comments from Gary Walker asking what is going on with the SAD.  
  
City Manager Moyer-Cale explained that notices had been sent to all affected property owners and explained what the assessment helps to pay for. The DDA also

pays towards the SAD expenses.

Comments from Rocha and Bergeron.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:07 PM

B. 4<sup>th</sup> Urban Services District City of Hastings and Rutland Charter Township

Public Hearing Open: 7:10 PM

Comments from Fran Jones, Rutland Township resident, over not having seen any site plans, and being concerned about noise, lights, trash and semi-truck traffic.

Comments from Bob Teunessen, Hastings Charter Township resident and County Commissioner, thanking the City for getting the 425 Agreement.

Comments from Mike Jones, Rutland Township resident, stating the public seems to be forgotten. He expressed confusion about the hearing and asked if there is a map yet of the Meijer site plan.

Comments from Terrell Smith, Rutland Township resident, asking if houses in the 425 area that already have septic systems will be required to connect to City services.

Comments from Dan Ancel, Rutland Township resident, who thinks the project is a good idea.

Comments from Gary White, questioning the annexation of the site, and isn't sure if this is good for Rutland Township.

Comments from Keith Foster, representing FlexFab, asking who is paying for the utility extension, are all sewer extensions in the right-of-ways, and will all the additional costs be paid by Meijer.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:18 PM

City Manager Moyer-Cale addressed questions, stating that Meijer is paying for the utility extension, sewer extensions are in the rights-of-way, and the JPC will review the site plan in June. She also added to check the Rutland Township website and the newspaper for further details regarding JPC meetings.

7. Public Comment:

Comments from Dan Ancel, Rutland Township resident, mentioning that Rutland Township has a Special Board Meeting this Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 7:00 PM about the 425 Agreement.

Comments from Phillip Joseph, downtown property owner, who chooses to invest in this area because he loves this small town area and doesn't want the area to become too big.

8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations: (None)

9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Consider approving, under the direction of staff, Trumble Insurance Agency to conduct the annual Back to School Bash which includes use of the Pocket Park adjacent to the Thornapple Plaza on **Saturday, August 1, 2026, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Rocha, to approve Trumble Insurance Agency to conduct the annual Back to School Bash which includes use of the Pocket Park adjacent to the Thornapple Place on **Saturday, August 1, 2026, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- B. Consider approval of joining the Mayor's Monarch Pledge.

Motion by Devroy, with support from Brehm, to approve joining the Mayor's Monarch Pledge.

Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- C. Consider receiving and placing on file thirteen (13) invoices totaling **\$137,769.51.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Brehm, to receive and place on file thirteen (13) invoices totaling **\$137,769.51.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

10. Items of Business:

- A. Consider approving **Resolution 2026-06** to find the necessity for the special assessment and direct the preparation of the special assessment role.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Devroy, to approve **Resolution 2026-06**

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Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- B. Consider scheduling a public hearing on **May 11, 2026**, to accept comment on the final assessment roll for the downtown parking special assessment.

Motion by McLean, with support from Rocha, to schedule a public hearing on **May 11, 2026**, to accept comment on the final assessment roll for the downtown parking special assessment.

Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- C. Consider scheduling a public hearing for North Ridge Estates Condominiums Planned Unit Development Modification and final site plan amendment for the **May 26, 2026**, City Council meeting.

Motion by McLean, with support from Barlow, to schedule a public hearing for North Ridge Estates Condominiums Planned Unit Development Modification and final site plan amendment for the **May 26, 2026**, City Council meeting.

Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- D. Consider scheduling a public hearing to accept comment regarding the 2026-2027 budget and millage rates on **May 11, 2026, at 7:00 PM.**

Motion by McLean, with support from Brehm, to schedule a public hearing to accept comment regarding the 2026-2027 budget and millage rates on **May 11, 2026, at 7:00 PM.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

11. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussion:

A. Information on Building Department Service Options

City Manager Moyer-Cale presented a memorandum regarding building department services. Moyer-Cale recommended staying with PCI and that no action is necessary as the contract auto-renews.

Discussion was held.

City Manager Moyer-Cale explained service and possible cost impacts to residents and suggested that a PCI representative come to a Council meeting to provide additional information. It was the consensus of the Council to invite PCI to attend a future meeting.

12. City Manager Report:

- Utility Superintendent Verne Robins has resigned, with his last day being Friday, May 15, 2026.
- RFP for sidewalk repairs is on the City of Hastings website.
- Pickleball league would like to be able to number the courts with signs on the fence. The Council expressed no objection.

A. Police Chief Boulter Monthly Report

B. City Clerk/Treasurer Perin Monthly Financial Reports

C. Community Development Director King Monthly Report

13. Reports and Communications:

A. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – April 6, 2026

B. Downtown Development Authority DRAFT Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2026

C. Brownfield Redevelopment Authority DRAFT Meeting Minutes – April 23, 2026

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

14. Public Comment:

Comments from Fran Jones, Rutland Township resident, stating the difference between the Mayor's Monarch Pledge and the Meijer Project's destruction of habitat.

Comments from Dan Ancel, Rutland Township resident, about keeping the construction site at Woodlawn Meadows clean.

15. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Stenzelbarton about how fun the Barry Roubaix was.

Comments from Brehm, thanking the public who attended the meeting, and that their comments were heard. He also added that the Barry Roubaix was great.

Comments from Devroy, saying the Barry Roubaix was great, and that the City should pay the SAD rather than making businesses pay.

16. Adjourn:

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

All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Read and Approved:

  
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David J. Tossava, Mayor  
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Linda Perin, City Clerk