

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

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**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**May 11, 2026**

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

2. Roll call

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

Councilmember Absent: Barlow

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

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Approval of the agenda:

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to approve the agenda as presented.

All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the minutes:

A. Approval of the minutes of the April 27, 2026, workshop meeting.

Motion by Rocha, with support from Devroy, to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2026, workshop meeting as presented.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

B. Approval of the minutes of the April 27, 2026, regular meeting.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2026, regular meeting as presented.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

## 6. Public Hearings:

## A. Proposed 2026/2027 Fiscal Year Budget and Millage Rates:

City Manager explained changes to the budget from the version at the Budget Workshop. Discussion on operating and cemetery millages.

Public Hearing Open: 7:09 PM

No public comments.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:09 PM

## B. Final Assessment Roll for parking in the City of Hastings Principal Shopping District for Fiscal Year 2026/2027:

City Manager gave an overview of the assessment and answered Council questions.

Councilmembers Rocha, Devroy and Stenzelbarton made comments against the Assessment.

Public Hearing Open: 7:17 PM

Comments from Phillip Joseph, who owns three downtown properties, and appreciates the Council members' comments to reduce or eliminate the SAD and support of local businesses.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:19 PM

## 7. Public Comment: (None)

## 8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:

## A. Eric Thompson, Professional Code Inspectors, presented on advancements made at PCI and answered questions from the Council.

Discussion was held.

## 9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

## A. Consider accepting, with regret, the resignation of Carole Davis from the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, effective Wednesday, July 1, 2026, and to send her a letter of thanks.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Carole Davis from the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, effective Wednesday, July 1, 2026, and send her a letter of thanks.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow  
Motion carried.

- B. Consider approving, under the direction of staff, the American Legion Post 45 to conduct the annual Memorial Day Parade at **9:30 AM on Monday, May 25, 2026.**

Motion by Rocha, with support from McLean, to approve, under the direction of staff, the American Legion Post 45 to conduct the annual Memorial Day Parade at **9:30 AM on Monday, May 25, 2026.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- C. Consider approving, under the direction of staff, the request from the Hastings Business Connection to conduct three (3) separate Block Party-Street Dances from **5:30 PM until 11:00 PM on Saturday, June 20, 2026; Saturday, July 18, 2026, and Saturday, August 15, 2026,** and consent to street closures on the respective dates.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Brehm, to approve, under the direction of staff, the request from the Hastings Business Connection to conduct three (3) separate Block Party-Street Dances from **5:30 PM until 11:00 PM on Saturday, June 20, 2026; Saturday, July 18, 2026, and Saturday, August 15, 2026,** and consent to street closures on the respective dates.

Discussion was held, with Brian Reynolds addressing Council questions.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- D. Consider upholding the disclosure denial issued by the City Police Department on or about April 8, 2026, in response to the Freedom of Information Act request submitted by Jeffrey Allen Snowden II and to certify that the statements in the response to the request are accurate, and the documents being produced, redacted and/or withheld comply with the City's publicly available FOIA procedures and guidelines. The City Clerk is directed to notify the requester, in writing, of the City Council's determination on this appeal within 10 business days.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to uphold the disclosure denial issued by the City Police Department on or about April 8, 2026, in response to the Freedom of Information Act request submitted by Jeffrey Allen Snowden II and to certify that the statements in the response to the request are accurate, and the documents being produced, redacted and/or withheld comply with the City's publicly available FOIA procedures and guidelines. The City Clerk is directed to notify the requester, in

writing, of the City Council's determination on this appeal within 10 business days.

Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

10. Items of Business:

- A. Consider adopting **Resolution 2026-07** to approve the final assessment roll for the fiscal year 2026-2027 special assessment district for parking improvements in the downtown principal shopping district.

Motion by McLean, with support from Resseguie, to adopt **Resolution 2026-07** to approve the final assessment roll for the fiscal year 2026-2027 special assessment district for parking improvements in the downtown principal shopping district.

Ayes: Resseguie and Tossava

Nays: Bergeron, Brehm, Devroy, McLean, Rocha and Stenzelbarton

Absent: Barlow

Motion not carried.

- B. Consider approving, under the direction of staff, the Hastings Summerfest Committee's request to hold the annual Summerfest celebration on **August 28, 29, and 30, 2026**, in Fish Hatchery Park, Tyden Park, Parking Lots #4 and 5, various streets, the Spray Plaza, and Thornapple Plaza, and adopting **Resolution 2026-08** to stay the necessary ordinances to conduct the event.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to approve, under direction of staff, the Hastings Summerfest Committee request to hold the annual Summerfest celebration on **August 28, 29, and 30, 2026**, in Fish Hatchery Park, Tyden Park, Parking Lots #4 and 5, various streets, the Spray Plaza, and Thornapple Plaza, and adopt **Resolution 2026-08** to stay the necessary ordinances to conduct the event.

Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- C. Consider adopting **Resolution 2026-09** to enact the General Appropriations Act for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and to approve the operating budgets for said year, and to establish the property tax millage rates to support the budget.

The city manager specified that because the parking special assessment was not

approved, the equivalent revenue needed to be reduced from the budget.

Motion by Rocha, with support from Stenzelbarton, to adopt **Resolution 2026-09** to enact the General Appropriations Act for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and to approve the operating budgets for said year, and to establish the property tax millage rates to support the budget, with the amendment to eliminate the special assessment district revenue.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- D. Consider authorizing the City Clerk to execute the Bilateral METRO Act Permit for right-of-way telecommunications with Surf Air Wireless, LLC.

Motion by Rocha, with support from Stenzelbarton, to authorize the City Clerk to execute the Bilateral METRO Act Permit for right-of-way telecommunications with Surf Air Wireless, LLC.

Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- E. Consider approving the proposal from Hickey Electric, Inc. for electrical and control upgrades to the wastewater alum feed system in the amount of **\$7,215**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the proposal from Hickey Electric, Inc. for electrical and control upgrades to the wastewater alum feed system in the amount of **\$7,215**.

Discussion was held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- F. Consider approving the proposal from AllMax Software for setup and implementation of the Antero asset management database in the amount of **\$10,000**.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to approve the proposal from AllMax Software for setup and implementation of the Antero asset management database in the amount of **\$10,000**.

Discussion held.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- G. Consider approving the C&L Concrete Construction bid in the amount not to exceed **\$80,402.50**.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from McLean, to approve the C&L Concrete Construction bid in the amount not to exceed **\$80,402.50**.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

- H. Consider executing the Memorandum of Understanding with Hastings Rotary as presented.

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with Hastings Rotary as presented.

Discussion was held regarding the proposed skate park.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Barlow

Motion carried.

11. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussion: (None)

12. City Manager Report:

- Assistant City Manager has been working on preparing documents to apply for the Safe Streets for All Grant. Does Council want to approve a \$40,000 matching grant? If not, there is no reason to work to apply for the grant.

Discussion held.

It was the consensus of Council to proceed with the application.

- Utilities Superintendent position posted on website – applications accepted through May 26, 2026.
- Rob Neil provided an update on Truck #70 repairs, including additional costs.

- A. Fire Chief Jordan Monthly Report
- B. Library Director Edelman Monthly Report
- C. Utilities Superintendent Robins Monthly Report

13. Reports and Communications:

- A. YMCA Updates for the City of Hastings – April 2026

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to accept and place on file item A. All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Public Comment: (None)

15. Mayor and Council comment:

Comments from Mayor Tossava, mentioning that 12 students from St. Rose School will tour City Hall on Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

16. Adjourn:

Motion by McLean, with support from Devroy, to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Read and Approved:

  
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David J. Tossava, Mayor

  
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Linda Perin, City Clerk