

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2026

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

Councilmembers Present: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

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

All ayes. Motion carried.
4. Pledge to the flag
5. Oath of Office:

Kari Shepler – 1st Ward Councilmember
6. Approval of the agenda.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Resseguie, to approve the agenda as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.
7. Approval of the minutes of the August 10, 2026, regular meeting as presented.

Motion by Devroy, with support from Bergeron, to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2026, regular meeting as presented.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
Nays: None
Absent: McLean
Motion carried.
8. Public Hearings: (None)
9. Public Comment: (None)
10. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:
 - A. Presentation from Dr. Nicholas Damico, Superintendent of Hastings Area School System, for updates on bond renewal plans for November and general Hastings Area Schools updates.

Dr. Damico was accompanied by Jayson Bussa, Hastings Area School System Director of Community Relations.

Comments from Damico thanking the City Council, Chief Boulter, Chief Jordan and the Mayor for all of their support of HASS. Provided updates on all of the positive results of the 2023 Bond projects.

Comments from Bussa about consultant work on new Bond proposal, and he invited the public to stop by the Administration Offices to see their details on the critical needs throughout the school district. Any further questions should be directed to Dr. Nicholas Damico.

Comments from the City Council, speaking in support of the Bond proposal and how important it is to support our school district.

11. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Consider approving Barry County Serenity Club to accept donations, free will offerings, and food truck sales during the Overdose Awareness Day concert on **Saturday, September 5, 2026, from 5:00 PM until 10:00 PM**, to be held at the Thornapple Plaza.

Motion by Resseguie, with support from Devroy, to approve Barry County Serenity Club to accept donations, free will offerings, and food truck sales during the Overdose Awareness Day concert on **Saturday, September 5, 2026, from 5:00 PM until 10:00 PM**, to be held at the Thornapple Plaza.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
Nays: None
Absent: McLean
Motion carried.

- B. Consider receiving and placing on file twenty-five (25) totaling **\$1,098,898.96**.

Motion by Barlow, with support from Stenzelbarton, to receive and placing on file twenty-five (25) totaling **\$1,098,898.96**.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
Nays: None
Absent: McLean
Motion carried.

12. Items of Business:

- A. Consider approving Oles and Sons Plumbing to perform replacement and/or repair work on various backflow devices in the amount of **\$11,275**.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Resseguie, to approve Oles and Sons Plumbing to perform replacement and/or repair work on various backflow devices in the amount of **\$11,275**.

Discussion held.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler and Stenzelbarton

Nays: Tossava

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- B. Consider approving water storage tank inspections for two water towers and the ground storage reservoir for a total of **\$12,500.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to approve water storage tank inspections for two water towers and the ground storage reservoir for a total of **\$12,500.**

Discussion held.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- C. Consider authorizing City staff to transition payroll services from Doeren Mayhew/Mangrove to ADP on or about January 1, 2027.

Motion by Devroy, with support from Stenzelbarton, to authorize City staff to transition payroll services from Doeren Mayhew/Mangrove to ADP on or about January 1, 2027.

Discussion held.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler and Tossava

Nays: Stenzelbarton

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- D. Consider approving the purchase of new uniform shirts for all Hastings Police Department personnel for the cost of **\$5,873.34.**

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Devroy, to approve the purchase of new uniform shirts for all Hastings Police Department personnel for the cost of **\$5,873.34.**

Discussion held.

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

- E. Consider selling five surplus equipment items from the DPS at auction.

Motion by Barlow, with support from Stenzelbarton, to sell five surplus equipment items from the DPS at auction.

Discussion held, with the Mayor reading the itemized list of equipment with minimum bids for the public record:

One (1) Zero Turn lawnmower- Minimum bid **\$500.**

One (1) 2024 GMC 2500 truck- Minimum bid **\$54,000.**

One (1) 2024 GMC 2500 truck- Minimum bid **\$54,000.**

One (1) 2000 Sterling 6 Yard dump truck- Minimum bid **\$3,000.**

One (1) 2000 GMC 7500 Top Kick 6 Yard dump truck- Minimum bid **\$3,000.**

Ayes: Barlow, Bergeron, Devroy, Resseguie, Shepler, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Absent: McLean

Motion carried.

13. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussion: (None)

14. City Manager Report:

- Invited everyone to attend the Hastings Fire Fighters Pancake Breakfast on **Saturday, August 29, 2026, from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM** during Summerfest.
- The Hastings Police Department will have an Open House for their remodeled offices on **Monday, September 14, 2026, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.**
- There will be a Workshop meeting on **Monday, September 14, 2026, at 6:00 PM,** to interview Fourth Ward Councilmember applicants.

- A. Police Chief Boulter Monthly Report

Chief Boulter and Mayor Tossava declared a proclamation honoring Officer Steve Bare, newly retired Police Reserve Officer, who provided 23 years of service to the City of Hastings, all volunteer time.

- B. City Clerk/Treasurer Perin Monthly Reports

- C. Community Development Director King Monthly Report

- Invited everyone to come out Friday to Sunday for Hastings Summerfest.
- Reported that about 750 people attended the final Hastings Live concert on Friday, August 21, 2026.

15. Reports and Communications:

- A. Zoning Board of Appeals Draft Meeting Minutes – August 18, 2026

- B. Downtown Development Authority DRAFT Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2026

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Barlow, to approve and place on file items A-B.

All ayes. Motion carried.

16. Public Comment: (None)

17. Mayor and Council comments:

Comments from Devroy, noting how different traffic flow through town is because of the Green & Market Project.

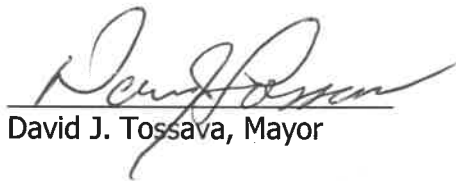
All Councilmembers welcomed new Councilmember Kari Shepler.

18. Adjourn:

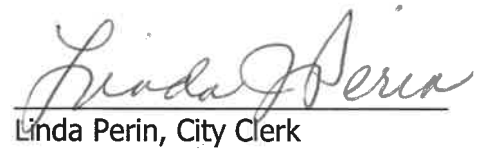
Motion by Devroy, with support from Stenzelbarton, to adjourn.

All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Read and Approved:



David J. Tossava, Mayor



Linda Perin, City Clerk