

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

City Council Minutes
January 27, 2025

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

Council members Present: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava.

City Staff and Appointees Present: Moyer-Cale, Boulter, Edelman, Jordan, King, Perin, Tate and Wood.
3. Pledge to the flag
4. Approval of the agenda

Motion by Rocha, with support from McLean, to approve the agenda as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.
5. Approval of the minutes of the January 13, 2025 regular meeting

Motion by Resseguie, with support from McLean, to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2025 regular meeting.

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
Nays: None
Motion carried.
6. Public Hearings: (None)
7. Public Comment:

Michael Lyons, resident of Hastings, spoke against adding fluoride to City water.
8. Formal Recognitions and Presentations:
 - A. Presentation from Dave Hatfield, Barry County Commissioner. (Absent)
 - B. Presentation from Jon Sporer, YMCA CEO/Executive Director.

Discussion held about YMCA activities.
9. Items for Action by Unanimous Consent:

- A. Consider request from Erin Quada, Youth Services Librarian for Hastings Public Library, to host a "Touch a Truck" event for the Summer Reading Program on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, in Parking Lot 3.

Motion by Stenzelbarton, with support from Resseguie, to approve request to host a "Touch a Truck" event for the Summer Reading Program on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, in Parking Lot 3.

Discussion was held.

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Motion carried.

- B. Motion to hold a Council workshop on February 10, 2025, at 6:00 PM to discuss Council's goals for the upcoming fiscal year.

Motion by McLean, with support from Nesbitt, to hold a Council workshop on February 10, 2025, at 6:00 PM to discuss Council's goals for the upcoming fiscal year.

All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Items of Business.

- A. Deliberation and selection of Third Ward Councilmember.

Council marked and signed ballots. Collected by City Clerk Perin.

Six (6) votes in support of Ann Devroy. Two (2) votes in support of Charles Hertzler.

Motion by Brehm, with support from McLean, to confirm vote for Ann Devroy as newly elected Third Ward Councilmember.

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava

Nays: None

Motion carried.

- B. Motion to approve the purchase of eleven (11) sets of wildland protective clothing from Axes and Iron as part of the VFC (Volunteer Fire Capacity) grant from DNR, for the total cost of **\$10,670.73**.

Motion by Nesbitt, with support from Brehm, to approve the purchase of eleven (11) sets of wildland protective clothing from Axes and Iron as part of the VFC (Volunteer Fire Capacity) grant from DNR, for the total cost of **\$10,670.73**.

Discussion was held.

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
 Nays: None
 Motion carried.

- C. Motion to approve the two-year Recreation Agreement with the YMCA for the total sum of **\$70,000**.

Motion by Nesbitt, with support from McLean, to approve the two-year Recreation Agreement with the YMCA for the total sum of **\$70,000**.

Discussion was held.

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
 Nays: None
 Motion carried.

- D. Motion to approve **Resolution 2025-01** to enter an agreement with MDOT for Surface Transportation Improvements on East State Street.

Motion by Barlow, with support from Brehm, to approve **Resolution 2025-01** to enter an agreement with MDOT for Surface Transportation Improvements on East State Street.

Discussion was held.

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava
 Nays: None
 Motion carried.

11. Staff Presentations and Policy Discussions

- A. Purchase Ordinance Amendment Consideration.

Discussion was held on recommendations on new thresholds.

Criteria for Draft Ordinance for First Reading:

Local Preference – 5%
 Sealed Bids - \$15,000
 Department Heads - \$1,000
 Council approval to be determined.

12. City Manager Report:

- A. Police Chief Boulter Monthly and Annual Reports
 B. City Clerk/Treasurer Perin Monthly Financial Reports
 C. Community Development Director King Monthly and Annual Reports

13. Reports and Communications:

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Motion by Resseguie, with support from McLean, to accept item A and place on file.

All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Public Comments:

Comments from Charles Hertzler, Hastings resident, thanking Council for Third Ward Councilmember consideration, and for votes received. Inquired about interview questions, and their availability.

15. Mayor and Council comments:

Comments from Linda Perin, confirming that Councilmember interview questions were sent on January 6, 2025.

Comments from Resseguie and Tossava.

16. Closed Session

A. Motion to go into Closed Session under PA 267 of 1976, Section 15.268-8(h) to consider material exempt from disclosure by state or federal statute (to received privileged attorney-client communication).

Motion by McLean, with support from Brehm, to go into Closed Session under PA 267 of 1976, Section 15.268-8(h) to consider material exempt from disclosure by state or federal statute (to received privileged attorney-client communication).

Ayes: Barlow, Brehm, McLean, Nesbitt, Resseguie, Rocha, Stenzelbarton and Tossava.

Nays: None

Motion carried. City Council meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM to enter Closed Session.

17. Adjourn:

Motion by Barlow, with support from Nesbitt, to adjourn meeting.

All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Read and Approved:


David J. Tossava, Mayor


Linda Perin, City Clerk