

**CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGULAR MEETING
August 4, 2026 at 7:00 pm**

748729:

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Daniel Schudel at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Daniel Schudel, Brandi Clark, Greg Hillegas, Barbara Ireland, Diane Mills and Carl Sword

ABSENT: Nicole Williams

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Ash, Bruce VanWieren, Kimberly Adams, Cindy Corner, Tammy Jewell, Pam Smoke, Garry Jones, Will Terrill, Melanie Gerig, Brad & Allison Terrill, Office Assistant Samantha Gerig, Police Chief Ron Keck, WWTP Superintendent Josh Mattek, DPW Superintendent Jay Best, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, City Manager Jeremiah Davies, City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:**Excuse Absent Members:****748730:**

Motion by Brandi Clark, seconded by Greg Hillegas **to excuse Nicole Williams from the meeting.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll call

Setting the Agenda:**748731:**

Motion by Barb Ireland, seconded by Brandi Clark **to set the agenda as presented.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll call

Approval of minutes dated July 21, 2026:**748732:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Greg Hillegas **to approve the minutes from July 21, 2026 and place on file.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll call

Approval of minutes dated July 24, 2026:**748733:**

Motion by Greg Hillegas, seconded by Diane Mills **to approve the minutes from July 24, 2026 and place on file.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll call

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comments were heard.

NEW BUSINESS:**Discuss: Appointment Samantha Gerig as Deputy Clerk:**

This item is presented to inform the City Council of a proposed expansion of Samantha's role within the City's administrative office. Based on her continued professional training, increased responsibilities, and the level of institutional knowledge required of the position, we recommend adding "Deputy Clerk" to her title and formally expanding her assigned duties.

This recommendation follow extensive discussions with City Clerk McClellan and Income Tax Administrator Linda Cross, who currently also serves as Deputy Clerk. Establishing additional capacity and continuity within the Clerk's Office will assist with succession planning, strengthen administrative operations, and better prepare the City for future staffing needs. Investing in employee development and providing clear opportunities for professional growth also supports employee success and the City's long-term stability.

At the next meeting bring back the cost and job descriptions**Approve: Appointments to the Planning Commission:**

We still have 3 seats open on the Planning Commission. Michelle Bauer and Kimberly Adams have filled out an application. These seats would be full terms and they meet all the qualifications to be appointed.

748734:

Motion by Barb Ireland, seconded by Greg Hillegas **Approve Michelle Bauer and Kimberly Adams to the Planning Commission with terms to expire in July 2029.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll call

Approve: Appointment to the Recreation Advisory Board:

We had one empty seat on the Recreation Advisory Board and Michelle Bauer has filled out an application. This would be a full term seat and she meets all the qualifications to be appointed.

748735:

Motion by Greg Hillegas, seconded by Diane Mills **appoint Michelle Bauer to the Recreation Advisory Board with a term to expire in July 2029.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll

Approve: Move November's Council Meeting:

At the General election this November, the clerk will have an absentee counting board in the Council Chambers. To make everything easier, the staff is requesting to move the Council meeting to Monday the 2nd of November.

748736:

Motion by Brandi Clark, seconded by Greg Hillegas **approve to move the 1st meeting in November to Monday, November 2, 2026 due to the General Election's Counting Board.**

CARRIED 6-0 by roll

Approve: Purchase of Pediatric Restraint Systems:

Hudson Area Ambulance has been approved by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to purchase three Stryker Mini-PRO Pediatric restraint systems through the Ground Ambulance Pediatric Restraint Systems (GAPRS) reimbursement program. The restraints will improve the safe transportation of pediatric patients in Hudson Area Ambulance vehicles.

The total quoted purchase price is \$9,180. To qualify for reimbursement, the equipment must be purchased and received, and all required reimbursement documentation must be submitted by September 4, 2026. Stryker currently anticipates that the equipment will become available for ordering during the week of August 24, 2026, with delivery expected before the program deadline.

748737:

Motion by Greg Hillegas, seconded by Diane Mills **authorize the purchase of three Stryker Mini-Pro pediatric restraint systems for an amount not to exceed \$9,180.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**Bills:**

Bills to Council
August 4, 2026

Bills to be Approve

Total	\$0.00	

Bills to be Confirmed

Water Works	\$5,899.00	Pressure valve/flame arrestor for sludge digester
City of Hudson	\$17,009.18	Ambulance payment
Total	\$22,908.18	

748738:

Motion by Barb Ireland, seconded by Brandi Clark **approve to pay the bills.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll

Account Balances and Check Register:**Account Balances:**

General Fund	\$1,157,617.51
Cemetery Trust Fund	\$ 0.00
Major Street Fund	\$ 313,777.42
Local Street Fund	\$ 41,763.88
Fire Department Fund	\$ 151,142.18
Recreation Fund	(\$ 345.34)
Cemetery Foundation	\$ 24,972.73
Ambulance	\$ 182,590.13
Community Center	\$ 42,787.30
Income Tax Fund	\$ 170,736.38
Downtown Development	\$ 21,543.68
Thompson Museum Fund	\$ 0.00
Library Fund	\$ 0.00
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Museum Fund	\$ 7,322.74
Industrial Park Fund	\$ 7,980.21
CWSRF	\$ 35,882.25
2021 Capital Improvement Bond Fund	\$ 10,129.37
2025 Capital Improvement Bond Fund	\$ 288,257.25
Water and Sewer Fund	\$ 445,266.02
Motor Veh and Equip Fund	\$ 178,087.37
Property Tax Collection	\$ 142,940.79
Payroll Fund	\$ 1,836.06
Sidewalk Fund	\$ 18,399.43

748739:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Greg Hillegas **to accept the account balances and check register and place on file.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll call

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council comments were heard.

MANAGER'S REPORT:**Water System/SCADA Update:**

- On July 27, UIS SCADA experienced a cybersecurity incident affecting programmable logic controllers used in municipal control systems. This resulted in the City's water pumps being offline for several hours before staff received notification. Fortunately, the City's water distribution system remained stable, and there were no adverse impacts to water service or water quality. Staff continue to work with UIS SCADA on additional security protections and are reviewing the City's internal monitoring, notification, and response protocols to ensure operational issues are identified and addressed more quickly.

Housing Development:

- Mr. Davies met with a representative from Allen Edwin Homes to discuss its work with other Michigan communities to develop attainable and workforce housing. Our discussion included potential state-enabled tools such as housing tax increment financing (TIF), brownfield redevelopment incentives, and payment0in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) arrangements. We also discussed the City's ongoing collaboration with the school district and efforts to prepare and market the Hudson Industrial Park, including how future housing development could support local employers, workforce growth, and the broader community.

GLO Initiative (Lead Service Line Identification):

- We continue to work with the EPA's GLO Team as we prepare to launch our in-home identification efforts for potential lead service lines. In the coming weeks, the City will release additional information regarding pop-up assistance sites, in-home inspections, and self-reporting options for residents who choose to participate. This initiative is part of the City's broader effort to identify and address aging infrastructure throughout the community.

ADJOURNMENT:**748740:**Motion by Brandi Clark, seconded by Barb Ireland to **adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm**APPROVED: _____
Daniel Schudel, MayorATTEST: _____
Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk