

**CITY COUNCIL  
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 20, 2023**

**747890:**

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

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Carmel Camp, Lisa Enerson, Sherry Kirkland, Daniel Schudel and Carl Sword

ABSENT: Rick Moreno and Natalie Loop

ALSO PRESENT: John Johnson - Nickel & Saph, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, DPW Superintendent Jay Best, Police Chief Ron Keck, Barb Ireland – Hudson Post Gazette, City Manager Charles Weir and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

**Excuse Absent Members:**

**747891:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Daniel Schudel **to excuse absent members from meeting.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**Setting the Agenda:**

**747892:**

Motion by Daniel Schudel, seconded by Lisa Enerson **to add under New Business Item A, Discussion on the Liability Insurance Renewal then move the rest accordingly.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**Approval of Minutes of June 6, 2023:**

**747893:**

Motion by Lisa Enerson, seconded by Carl Sword **to approve minutes of June 6, 2023 and place on file.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Comments received

**NEW BUSINESS:****Discussion: Liability Insurance Renewal:**

On July 1<sup>st</sup> Council changed Liability Insurance to Nickel and Staph due to the increase cost. John Johnson from Nickel and Staph came to council to help explain why the renewal cost has gone up 10% this year.

**Approve: Year End Budget Amendments:**

We will be finishing up the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 year end budget amendments over this weekend. On Monday, June 19, 2023 the Council was given the budget amendments to review for approval. The full document was also put on the website for anyone to read.

**747894:**

Motion by Daniel Schudel, seconded by Sherry Kirkland **approve the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 year end budget amendments.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**Approve: Street Projects on North, Cross and Gregory Streets:**

As discussed with the Council when developing the budget for fiscal year 2023-2024, about resurfacing North, Cross and Gregory Streets, we requested three quotes from paving contractors and have received two quotes back.

Belson Asphalt and Paving Inc. in the amount of \$129,798.00.

Bailey Excavating Inc in the amount of \$149,300.00.

The city has used both contractors in the past for paving projects.

We want to remind the Council that a budget amendment will have to be made after July 1, 2023, to fully fund the project. We currently have \$290,584.23 combined in the Major and Local Street Funds. The city has the funds for the project.

The city receives an Act 51 allocation monthly from the State in the amount of \$30,000.00, or approximately \$360,000.00 annually.

**747895:**

Motion by Lisa Enerson seconded by Daniel Schudel **approve the paving of North, Cross and Gregory Streets by Belson Asphalt and Paving Inc. in the amount of \$129,798.00.**

CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**Approve: Purchase of New Ambulance:**

Under the previous administration the Hudson ALS has requested a new ambulance and due to covid and the status of the city's finances over the last two years, we were not able to make the purchase. The Council approved the CIP earlier this year for the purchase. Hudson EMS Director Jim Stevens has provided a quote for the new ambulance from Medix Specialty Vehicles Inc. in the amount of \$157,660.00.

After discussions with Jim, DPW Superintendent Jay Best, and the City Treasurer, Megan Thompson, we have come up with a plan to have the Ambulance Fund borrow from the city motor vehicle fund instead of going to the bank for yet another loan. The ambulance department would pay back the Motor Vehicle Fund with interest until the balance was paid in full for the new ambulance. The ambulance would use the annual Capital Improvement Funds it receives from Hillsdale County to make the payments. The funds received from the sale of the old ambulance would go directly back into the Motor Vehicle Fund once received.

With the sale of the old ambulance dollars applied to the purchase (\$18,500.00), the borrowing amount from the Motor Vehicle Fund would be \$139,160.00 plus interest. The loan would be for ten years. The current cash balance in the Motor Vehicle Fund is \$234,560.19.

Mr Weir asked CNB to provide him with a quote with the interest rate if the city was to borrow \$240,000.00 for 10 years. The CNB interest rate is 4.83%.

The city's current interest rate earned on the checking account where the Motor Vehicle Fund dollars are, is 4.00%. By financing the purchase through the city, the would save \$6,702.90 over the life of the loan.

**747896:**

**Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Daniel Schudel to approve the purchase of the new ambulance from Medix Specialty Vehicles Inc. in the amount of \$157,660.00 and approve the resolution to finance a loan of \$140,000.00 for ten years for the purchase of the ambulance with the use of funds from the City Motor Vehicle and Equipment Fund.**

CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:****Bills:**

Bills to Council  
June 20, 2023

**Bills to be Approve**

Total	\$0.00	
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**Bills to be Confirmed**

Consumers	\$1,658.48	LED Lights
Consumers	\$1,683.46	Street Lights
Mission Communications	\$1,108.20	Manhole Monitoring
Jones & Henry	\$2,912.88	DWAM Grant
Total	\$7,363.02	

**747897:**

Motion by Lisa Enerson, seconded by Sherry Kirkland **to approve to pay the bills.** CARRIED  
5-0 by roll call

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

General Fund	\$299,086.26
Cemetery Trust Fund	\$ 2,262.45
Major Street Fund	\$196,101.24
Local Street Fund	\$ 94,482.99
Fire Department Fund	\$113,612.29
Recreation Fund	\$ 2,896.25
Cemetery Foundation	\$ 29,165.93
Ambulance	\$129,611.66
Community Center	\$ 26,150.61
Thompson Museum Fund	\$ 57,834.33
Library Fund	\$ 0.00
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Museum Fund	\$ 39,800.63

Downtown Development	\$ 43,670.76
Industrial Park Fund	\$ 11,260.89
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2021 Capital Improvement Bond Fund	\$115,576.15
Sidewalk Fund	\$ 6,131.21
Utilities Fund	\$206,369.12
Motor Veh and Equip Fund	\$237,130.77
Property Tax Collection	\$ 0.00
Income Tax Fund	\$162,741.68
Payroll Fund	\$ 41,991.76

**747898:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Daniel Schudel **to accept the account balances and check register and place on file.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**Department Head Reports:****747899:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Sherry Kirkland **to accept the department head reports and place on file.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- The Target Market Analysis of the housing in Lenawee County has been completed. The TMA measures the magnitude of market potential by tenure, (owner/renter) price, (home values/rent) formats, (house, apartments etc..) and Lifestyle clusters. The report can be found on the Lenawee County Web Site. The next step in the process is working on the Housing Strategic Plan that the Council approved December 6, 2022. The Housing Strategic Plan will focus specifically on improving Hudson's existing housing stock, new housing, identifying resources and exploring opportunities unique to the setting and market potential in Hudson.
- The Main Street project has been delayed due to what we are told is a scheduling conflict with the pulverizing equipment. Michigan paving advised that they would keep the city informed.
- The city Attorney has drafted a letter advising the owner of 225 Grove Street he has 10 days to repair or demolish the unsafe structure. June 23, 2023, or a court action may be filed with the Lenawee County Circuit Court.
- We met with Tri State Concrete about the fire department floor concrete removal and were informed that it would be late July before they would get started but will be making every effort to get started as soon as possible.
- Chief Keck has posted job openings on the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) for a Full-Time Officer, Part-Time Officer and possibly for a School Resource Officer. The Hudson School District is applying for a grant to cover the expense for a School Resource Officer that would work with Hudson P.D.
- The Spark Grant application has been submitted. We should know if the city will be awarded by sometime in September this year.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**747900:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Lisa Enerson to **adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm**

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carmel Camp, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk