

**CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
PUBLIC HEARING
September 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.**

747941:

The Public Hearing was called to order by Mayor Carmel Camp at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Carmel Camp, Natalie Loop, Sherry Kirkland, Daniel Schudel and Carl Sword

ABSENT: Rick Moreno and Lisa Enerson

ALSO PRESENT: Sara Schudel, Teresa Frantz, Crystal Zavicar – Habitat for Humanity, Will Terrill, Barb Ireland – Hudson Post Gazette, Police Chief Ronald Keck, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, City Manager Charles Weir and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Ordinance 402-23 Hudson Park’s Rules:

No comments received.

Adjourn sine die.

**CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGUALR MEETING
September 5, 2023 immediately after the Public Hearing**

747942:

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

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Carmel Camp, Natalie Loop, Sherry Kirkland, Daniel Schudel and Carl Sword

ABSENT: Rick Moreno and Lisa Enerson

ALSO PRESENT: Dolor Konja – 109 Mechanic Street, Sara Schudel, Teresa Frantz, Crystal Zavicar – Habitat for Humanity, Will Terrill, Barb Ireland – Hudson Post Gazette, Police Chief Ronald Keck, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, City Manager Charles Weir and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Excuse Absent Members:

747943:

Motion by Sherry Kirkland, seconded by Natalie Loop **to approve to excuse Rick Moreno from the meeting.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

Excuse Absent Members:

747944:

Motion by Daniel Schudel, seconded by Carl Sword **to approve to excuse Lisa Enerson from the meeting.** DENIED 2-3 by roll call (Kirkland, Loop – Yes Camp, Schudel, Sword – No)

Approval of Minutes of August 15, 2023:

747945:

Motion by Daniel Schudel, seconded by Carl Sword **to approve minutes of August 15, 2023 and place on file.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comment received.

PRESENTATION – Habitat for Humanity, Crystal Zavicar:

Habitat for Humanity of Lenawee County will be in Hudson on September 15-16, 2023. They have four properties on Lafayette Street scheduled to have miscellaneous repairs done. They will be back in Hudson next year for another round of repairs on properties. If someone needs help they would need to call the Adrian office.

NEW BUSINESS:

Show Cause Hearing: Article III Dangerous Structure – 109 Mechanic Street:

At the meeting on June 6, 2023, Mr. Konja asked Council to give him 6 months to have everything cleaned up, but Council made the motion to give only 90 days, then return to update them on his progress.

747946:

Motion by Daniel Schudel, seconded by Sherry Kirkland **approve to forward to the City Attorney after 10 days.** CARRIED 4-1 by roll call (Camp, Kirkland, Schudel, Sword – yes Loop – no)

Approve: 2nd Reading – Ordinance 402-23 Park’s Rules and Regulations:

At the Council meeting on August 15th, Council approved the first reading for the ordinance on the City of Hudson’s Park Rules and Regulations. If Council approves this ordinance, it will be in effect on September 20, 2023.

747947:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Daniel Schudel **approve the second reading and waive the actual reading of Ordinance No. 402-23, adding – City of Hudson’s Park Rules and Regulations Ordinance.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

Approve: Part Time Employee Benefit Acknowledgement and Waiver Form:

Due to labor shortages, there is some concern about the city part-time classified employees regularly working the less than 35 hours a week limit set per section 201 in the City of Hudson Employee Handbook.

The current part-time classification employees have verbally agreed, and/or regularly schedule themselves to work more than 35 hours a week without receiving full-time classification benefits. Part-time employees are paid overtime for hours worked over 40 hours a week, receive Social Security and Workman’s comp benefits, and are allowed to participate in then city’s 457 retirement plan.

The city does not have 50 full-time employees or 50 full-time equivalent employees that would require the city by law to pay part-time employees, working 35 hours or more a week, full-time benefits.

To avoid any potential claims of violation of the City of Hudson Employee Handbook, City Manager drafted a Part-Time Employee Benefit Acknowledgement & Waiver form and had it reviewed by the city labor attorney. The labor attorney reviewed the draft document along with the Employee Handbook, made a few changes, and produced this final draft.

Once approved, every classified part-time city employee that would like to work more than 34 hours a week, without receiving full-time benefits, will be asked to sign the waiver.

747948:

Motion by Dan Schudel seconded by Sherry Kirkland **approve the Part-Time Employee Benefit Acknowledgement Waiver Form.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**Bills:**

Bills to Council
August 15, 2023

Bills to be Approve

	0.00	
Total	\$0.00	

Bills to be Confirmed

Haviland	\$2,052.80	Treatment Chemicals
HBC Lawn Service	\$2,600.00	⁷ th Payment Cemtery
Consumers	\$3,176.84	WWTP
Lenawee County Information Technology	\$1,652.00	HPD Computer Software
Girty's Run Joint Sewer Authority	\$8,800.00	2008 Ford F350 Crane Truck
Consumers	\$3,161.80	Street Lights
Consumers	\$3,373.54	LED Lights
Total	\$24,816.98	

747949:

Motion by Dan Schudel, 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	\$137,712.59
Cemetery Trust Fund	\$ 2,290.86
Major Street Fund	\$162,804.59

Local Street Fund	\$ 51,506.31
Fire Department Fund	\$167,951.57
Recreation Fund	\$ 2,813.79
Cemetery Foundation	\$ 16,540.71
Ambulance	\$147,181.70
Community Center	\$ 27,023.12
Thompson Museum Fund	\$ 58,052.11
Library Fund	\$ 0.00
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Museum Fund	\$ 40,050.23
Downtown Development	\$ 43,170.76
Industrial Park Fund	\$ 17,450.43
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2021 Capital Improvement Bond Fund	\$112,452.94
Sidewalk Fund	\$ 16,229.00
Utilities Fund	\$329,231.18
Motor Veh and Equip Fund	\$ 84,349.48
Property Tax Collection	\$100,999.05
Income Tax Fund	\$ 66,558.84
Payroll Fund	\$ 33,736.60

747950:

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

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- The city won the winning bid on the Municibid Auction Site for the 2008 Crane Truck for the WWTP. The winning bid was \$8,800.00. After paying the associated fees and shipping the vehicle the total expense is \$10,500.00, well below the \$20,000.00 threshold set by the Council.
- The early voting changes requiring polls to be open and accessible for nine days have been challenging and burdensome for municipalities and townships across the state. The changes cause logistics problems and have increased the cost for elections. A solution to the problem is a partnership with Lenawee County and the other jurisdictions to run the elections. The partnership would share resources to run the elections. The city has entered into the agreement at the cost of \$2,718.00. If the city was to hold the elections itself, it would be difficult to find the staff to commit to the nine days of voting and would cost the city around \$10,000.00. This is only for State and Federal elections. The city will still have to have the polls open on the day of the State and Federal elections. Local elections will stay in Hudson and are not required to be open for the nine days. The has \$5,000.00 budgeted for elections this fiscal year.
- Fire Department Floor Repair – We forwarded the engineering report from Todd Daily to the Council regarding the floor issue at the fire department. The report gave recommendations to fix the problem on what is exposed. This does not address the same issues that are suspected to be present under the rest of the floor and exterior south wall. We are moving forward with fixing what is exposed per the recommendation in the report. We are also re-routing electrical lines that were

under the slab and putting in a new floor drain. The city will have to decide what to do with the remaining potential problem with the floor and wall.

- We received the draft priority list from EGLE regarding the CWSRF project plan the city submitted. Based on the scoring criteria and the funding available, the city will not receive funding. The DWSRF priority list is expected to be released in the next month or two. At the time, we will see if the city scores high enough for funding through the DWSRF. The project plans are good for five years and can be resubmitted for consideration in the subsequent years.
- The Industrial Park Water Tower is scheduled to be cleaned September 21st. The cathodic protection system inspection will be done that day as well.
- The new camera system has been put in City Hall due to the requirements by the State of Michigan and the new election law. The new ballot box will be installed in place of the old black mailbox in front of City Hall. We will also be placing a new bill drop box mounted on the wall next to the ballot box over the next month or two.
- The overhead door has been installed on the warm storage building on Mechanic Street, and the men’s bathroom floor at the Community Center has also been completed.
- Mr Weir will be out of the office from September 10th through the 20th for a much-needed break.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

747951:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Sherry Kirkland to **adjourn the meeting at 7:36 pm**

APPROVED: _____

Carmel Camp, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk