

**CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
SPECIAL MEETING
January 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**

748030:

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

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Daniel Schudel, Lisa Enerson, Teresa Frantz, Sherry Kirkland, Natalie Loop, Rick Moreno and Carl Sword

ALSO PRESENT: Barb Ireland – Hudson Post Gazette, City Manager Charles Weir and Deputy City Clerk Linda Cross

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Barb Ireland – Voiced her concern regarding the increased percentage match requested. Said she was confused by the figures.

The percentage match is based on the \$100,000 grant, not the total cost of the project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Amend & Approve: MDARD Grant Application:

The Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development MDARD has a grant opportunity for projects that address expansion and sustainability of land-based industries, worker training related to land-based industries, and energy, transportation, communication, water, and wastewater infrastructure to benefit rural communities.

The allotment of \$1.8 million is available through the grant and the maximum request per applicant is \$100,000.00. Applicants are required to match a minimum of 30% of the requested amount. A higher match will increase the scoring when reviewed by the Joint Evaluation Committee.

City Staff has identified a needed project for the Water Treatment, and Wastewater Treatment Plants. Both plants have antiquated SCADA systems that need to be replaced for the more efficient

monitoring of operations and maintenance of the plants. We received the estimate of \$162,410.00 for the replacement of the SCADA.

Mr Weir has Kris working on the application due to the deadline of submission of January 9, 2024. The city match would come from the 2021 Capital Improvement Bond Fund that currently has a balance of \$114,262.07.

748031:

Motion by Lisa Enerson seconded by Carl Sword to **amend and approve the 2024 MDARD Grant application with the match from the 40% previously approved, to 62% for the replacement of the SCADA systems for the water and wastewater treatment plants.** CARRIED 5-2 by roll call vote. (Schudel, Enerson, Kirkland, Loop, Sword – yes; Frantz, Moreno – no)

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

748032:

Motion by Rick Moreno seconded by Lisa Enerson to **adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm**

APPROVED: _____
Daniel Schudel, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Linda J Cross, Deputy City Clerk