

**CITY COUNCIL  
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI  
REGULAR MEETING VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE  
June 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.**

**747104:**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Carmel Camp at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Carmel Camp, Lee Daugherty, Lee Ann Minton, Rick Moreno, Carl Sword,  
Pam Ely, and Darlene VandeZande  
ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Barb Ireland ó Hudson Post Gazette, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, WWTP  
Superintendent Ted Hutchison, City Treasurer Benjamin Farley, City Manager  
Steven Hartsel, and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

**ORDERS OF THE DAY:****Setting the Agenda:****747105:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **add under New Business Item D-  
APPROVE: Sale of Old Engine 1; and Item E- APPROVE: Payment to Lenawee Now**, CARRIED:  
7-0 by roll call vote.

**Approval of Minutes of May 19, 2020:****747106:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **approve the minutes of May 19, 2020, and  
place on file**, CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No comments received

**NEW BUSINESS:****APPROVE: No Parking on Main Street During Graduation Parade:**

Due to the inability to have the traditional ceremonies and celebrations this year, Hudson Area Schools wishes to hold a High School Graduation Parade on Saturday, July 25, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. It will originate at SMCSI, then proceed down Main Street, turn north on West. Then right on Railroad and down Jackson Street to Tiffin; then north on Tiffin, east on Buchanan and north on N. Maple Grove to the High School.

An advance notice of permitted activity will be sent to MDOT for permission to close Main Street for the duration of the parade upon Council approval. It is my recommendation that Council authorize **no parking** in the 200 and 300 Block of W. Main Street from 12:00 p.m. ó 2:00 p.m. for the parade. This allows a safer environment for participants and others attending the parade. Allowing parking on Main Street causes people to stand in between the cars and/or on the inside of the cars in the parade route.

If Council authorizes no parking in the 200 and 300 block of W. Main Street for the parade, DPW and HPD will take care of setting up and removing the appropriate barricades. In the event that Main Street can be opened up sooner than 2:00 p.m., they will do so.

**747107:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Rick Moreno to **authorize the closure of Main Street, and “No Parking” in the 200 and 300 Block of W. Main Street from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 25, 2020 for the Graduation Parade, CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.**

**APPROVE: Budget Amendments:**

As recommended by the City’s Auditor, we are to periodically review our budget and make necessary adjustments when needed.

Many of these changes are being made in order to maintain a balanced budget. The Council member were given a copy of the amendments.

As required by the Michigan Department of Treasury, these amendments need to be approved by the Hudson City Council.

**747108:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Pam Ely to **approve the requested budget amendments for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020, CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.**

**APPROVE: Pittsford Station Ambulance Lease:**

As discussed during the last Council meeting, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens has been working with Jefferson Township on arranging to use the former Pittsford Fire Station at 4482 Pittsford Rd. as the new location for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ambulance Station in lieu of the current location in the large pole barn on M34.

Jefferson Township approved a proposed lease last month (attached). The automatically-renewing lease runs from 2020-2029, and costs \$1 per year, plus an investment of \$50,000 to adapt the facility for ambulance use and for safety and habitability. The upgrades are to be spent by next May, although City Attorney Denis and I recommend extending this time to the following May (2022). These funds are included in the upcoming fiscal-year budget. This investment will be recouped within the first lease term compared to the monthly rent we have been paying for the pole barn station. The new location is much more suitable for housing the ambulance and crew, and is more centralized within the service area.

**747109:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **approve a 9-year lease with Jefferson Township for the former Fire Station at 4482 Pittsford Rd. for \$1 per year, with up to \$50,000 to be spent on building improvements by May 2022, and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract on behalf of the City, CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.**

**APPROVE: Sell of Old Engine 1 for \$35,000 to T-Line EV LLC**

**747110:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **approve the sale of Old Engine 1 to T-Line EV LLC for \$35,000, pending approval by the Wabeno, WI council, CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.**

**APPROVE: Payment to Lenawee Now for \$2,800****747111:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Pam Ely to **approve payment of \$2,800 to Lenawee Now from the Civic Promotion Fund**, CARRIED 6-1 by roll call vote. (Camp, Daugherty, Ely, Minton, Moreno, Sword ó yes VandeZande ó no)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:****Bills:****Bills to be Approved for Payment: \$25,922.24**

Craig Wickham Tree Service	\$1,600.00	Emergency Tree Removal (Willow & Lane St)
Consumers Energy	\$2,350.41	Electricity for WWTP
Consumers Energy	\$2,517.51	Electricity for Street Lights
BCBS of Michigan	\$19,454.32	Insurance Premiums for July

**Bills to be Confirmed: \$13,569.69**

Lincoln Life Insurance	\$1,189.71	Life Insurance Premiums for June
Consumers Energy	\$2,590.64	Electricity for Street Lights
Modern Waste Systems	\$9,789.34	City Wide Refuse Collection

**747112:**

Motion by Lee Daugherty, seconded by Carl Sword to **pay the bills**, CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

**Department Head Reports for May 2020:****747113:**

Motion by Carl Sword seconded by Rick Moreno to **accept the Department Head Reports for May 2020, and place on file** CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

**Accounts Payable Report for May 2020:****747114:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Rick Moreno to **accept the Accounts Payable Report for May 2020, and place on file** CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- We continue to follow State and County Orders regarding the virus. The City continues to provide essential services. Region 7, our return-to-work region, remains at Stage 4 and continues to the guidance of Executive Order 110. City staff will return to work largely as normal on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, subject to social distancing and face covering. Remote work is still directed where possible. Our park facilities have reopened, the library and museums are beginning to reopen, and the Community Center is open to groups up to 10.
- N. Maple Grove Phase I construction is underway. The new water main is being installed. Progress is slow, due to other infrastructure in the vicinity- about 170øis being completed each day, with a goal of 200øper day. This is not a major concern. Following the water main work, the relining of the sewers will commence. The project remains on track for completion in October.
- The Severe Weather on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> caused by the remnants of Tropical Storm Cristobal did notable damage within the City. Roughly 10 very large trees either came down or were

damaged to the point of requiring at least partial removal. In spite of this, there was no reported personal injuries or property damage, apart from utilities. Power was out in parts of the City for several hours.

- DPW Superintendent Jay Best met with MDOT, the Lenawee County Drain Commission and the Jackson County Road Commission concerning drainage around M34 and the stretch of US-127 between M34 and Tiger Drive. They were able to trace out the drainage features stretching from "Sauerkraut Lake" to the detention basin at the Taylor Pony Farm, and on across US-127 to the Bean Creek. A large 18-inch drain line and some structures were identified and jetted, which has increased the rate at which storm water now drains. Jay and Tim also jetted the storm line that begins east of the apartments at the end of Jefferson and drains northwest of Lincoln Elementary into the Bean Creek. This has also resulted in much better flow and a reduction in groundwater.
- The partly DDA-funded exterior re-painting of Dr. Borck's office been completed, and has improved the appearance of our main downtown intersection.
- There will be July fireworks at Memorial Park on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>. This will be underwritten by Bill and Celest White of Aerospace Systems. Joann Crater and the Chamber have also arranged to have a band play prior to the fireworks- this should be a fun event (with social distancing, of course).

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**747115:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.**

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

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

REVIEWED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Denis F. Jodis, City Attorney

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_