

CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGULAR MEETING
February 15, 2022

747513:

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Carmel Camp at 7:03 pm.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Carmel Camp, Lee Daugherty, Natalie Loop, Lee Ann Minton,
Rick Moreno, Carl Sword, and Pam Ely
ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Justin & Logan Stewart, Aiden Stewart, Dan Schudel, Richard & Carolyn
Halliwill, Barb Ireland – Hudson Post Gazette, WWTP Superintendent
Ted Hutchison, DPW Superintendent Jay Best & Candi Best, City Manager
Charles Weir, and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2022:

747514:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Rick Moreno **to approve the minutes from February 8, 2022 and place on file.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Justin Stewart – 427 McKenzie Street – Would like to rezone his property back to agriculture so they could have animals. There is 3 ½ acres there and they would put up a fence around the area.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve: Purchase Spare Pump for Main Lift Station at the WWTP:

The WWTP needs a spare Flygt Pump at the main lift station at the WWTP. Originally the spare pump was to be part of the upgrade that was done at the plant in 2018. Due to cost cutting measures at the time, the pump was removed from the upgrade. The lift station at the WWTP is the main collection lift station for the whole City.

Ted has provided a quote for the spare pump. Kennedy Industries is the company that carries the Flygt pumps the same pump that is currently in service at the WWTP. There are other pumps available but they are not made for the City's set up. This pump would be able to be changed out quickly putting the lift station back in service if there was a problem with one of the pumps.

There is a 12-14 week delivery delay to get a pump. The price of the pump has gone up almost \$5,000.00 since the plant upgrade.

The purchase of the pump would come out of the Capital Improvement Bond Funds 2021 of \$256,000.00. Council has approved Capital Improvement Bond 2021 expenditures to date of \$30,404.49. If this purchase is approved, the balance of the Capital Improvement Bond Fund would be \$225,595.51.

747515:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Rick Moreno **approve the purchase of (1) FLYGT Pump from Kennedy Industries in the amount of \$22,979.00.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

Approve: Pre-Approval Process of a Used Hydovac Truck:

DPW Supervisor Jay Best wrote the attached letter regarding the potential purchase of a Hydovac Truck. Jay's letter gives a good description of what the truck does and how beneficial it would be for the City with servicing the water and waste water systems. Jay also mentions a utility truck for the WWTP. After a discussion with Ted, we agreed that the purchase of a utility truck can wait.

The City spends \$10,000.00 - \$20,000.00 a year for Hydovac Truck services. Many larger municipalities upgrade their trucks and the market is good around this time of year to find quality reasonably priced trucks. Most of these vehicles can be found on line auctions at reasonable prices.

We would like Council to consider giving pre-approval purchase of a Hydovac Truck for a specified dollar amount. As Jay pointed out in his letter a new truck runs \$400,000 - \$450,000 which is not realistic for the City of Hudson. Jay advises that he has seen trucks in the price range of \$35,000.00 - \$75,000.00 which is affordable for the City. A sub-committee could be formed with a couple of Council members and the City Manager that would be involved directly with the review, inspection and potential bid on the Hydovac Truck.

Funds from the Motor Vehicle Fund would be used for the purchase. The current balance in the Motor Vehicle Fund is \$207,606.09.

747516:

Motion by Pam Ely, seconded by Carl Sword **approve the formation of a sub-committee for the purchase of a Hydovac Truck, and the pre-approval to purchase a Hydovac Truck up to \$75,000.00, with funds coming from the Motor Vehicle Fund.**

Motion by Pam Ely, seconded by Carl Sword to amend the motion to strike out **the formation of a sub-committee for the purchase of a Hydovac Truck.**

Motioned and seconded to have a pre-approval to purchase a Hydovac Truck up to \$75,000.00, with funds coming from the Motor Vehicle Fund. CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**Bills:**

Bills to Council
February 15, 2022

Bills to be Approved

Hillsdale County Treasurer	\$1,480.00	January 2022 Inspection Services
Lenawee County Treasurer	\$1,288.92	Prosecuting Attorney Fees October - December 2021
Total	\$2,768.92	

Bills to be Confirmed

Redline Equipment	\$1,411.63	Repair on the front end loader
Consumers Energy	\$1,487.12	February Statement for the LED Lights
Consumers Energy	\$1,688.94	February Statement for the Street Lights
Consumers Energy	\$2,584.69	February Statement for the WTP
Consumers Energy	\$3,122.08	February statement for the WWTP
Total	\$10,294.46	

747517:

Motion by Rick Moreno, seconded by Natalie Loop **to pay the bills.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote

Account Balances & Check Register:**Account Balances:**

General Fund	\$211,503.34
Cemetery Trust Fund	\$ 2,262.45
Major Street Fund	\$ 89,537.14
Local Street Fund	\$ 95,758.46
Fire Department Fund	\$ 30,895.05
Recreation Fund	\$ 6,018.40
Cemetery Foundation	\$ 27,358.17
Ambulance	\$ 68,189.65
Community Center	\$ 21,177.57

Thompson Museum Fund	\$ 57,662.33
Library Fund	\$ 12,047.65
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Museum Fund	\$ 42,301.70
Downtown Development	\$ 9,099.43
Industrial Park Fund	\$ 14,651.52
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2021 Capital Improvement Bond Fund	\$256,479.16
Sidewalk Fund	\$ 2,565.98
Utilities Fund	-\$151,155.26)
Motor Veh and Equip Fund	\$207,609.09
Property Tax Collection	\$163,202.58
Income Tax Fund	\$124,236.46
Payroll Fund	\$ 36,255.44

747518:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Pam Ely **to accept the Account Balances & Check Register and place on file.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote

Revenue Expenditure Report:**747519:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Rick Moreno **to accept the Revenue Expenditure Report and place on file.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- DPW Superintendent Jay Best and Mr Weir had a meeting with MDOT on Thursday, February 10th about the resurfacing of East and West Main Streets from US 127 to McClellan Street. A preliminary design is expected to be done by June-July of this year. The resurfacing will take place June-July 2023. The cross walk approaches are going to be upgraded and there was discussion about the main traffic signal. Mr Weir made it clear the City wants to keep the traffic signal. We also made them aware of areas of concern.
- WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison was able to identify what the problem is with the situation at the lift station at McDonalds. The WWTP has been dealing with large amounts of grease collecting in the lift station for 15+ years. Ted has been removing buckets of grease out of the lift station weekly over that period. We started looking into the problem more aggressively since May of last year. We discovered that the grease and wastewater is flowing directly through a six-inch pipe to the lift station. McDonalds (Jenell Corporation) has been advised of the findings and we are requesting they replace their tank to correct the problem. The City has several other sites that need to be addressed regarding wastewater issues that have been ongoing. Much work still to be done.

- DPW had another water line break on Friday February 11th. The break was on Seward Street near the Laundromat. It was a service line break that was an easy fix but we had to damage more street surface.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

747520:

Motion by Rick Moreno, seconded by Carl Sword to **adjourn the meeting at 7:41 pm**

APPROVED: _____
Carmel Camp, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk