

CITY COUNCIL
121 N. Church Street, Hudson, MI
PUBLIC HEARING
May 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

745920:

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, Namrata Carolan, Tyler Mattison, Lee Ann Minton, Lee Daugherty, Rick Moreno, and Carl Sword

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, Osten Eschedor, Harry Eschedor, Jim Norris, Gregg Simon – Jones & Henry Engineers Ltd, John Lyon – Alpine Technologies, Inc, Brett Lyon – Alpine Technologies, Inc, Brad Vanderlooven, Joann Crater – Hudson Carnegie District Library, City Manager Steve Hartsel and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:**Expansion of Industrial Development District #12:**

No Comments received.

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CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGULAR MEETING
May 19, 2015 (Immediately Following Public Hearing)

745921:

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Carmel Camp at 7:01 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Carmel Camp, Namrata Carolan, Tyler Mattison, Lee Ann Minton, Lee Daugherty, Rick Moreno, and Carl Sword

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, Osten Eschedor, Harry Eschedor, Jim Norris, Gregg Simon – Jones & Henry Engineers Ltd, John Lyon – Alpine Technologies, Inc, Brett Lyon – Alpine Technologies, Inc, Brad Vanderlooven, Joann Crater – Hudson Carnegie District Library, City Manager Steve Hartsel and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:**Approval of Minutes:****745922:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **approve the minutes of May 05, 2015 and place on file**, CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment

PRESENTATION:

Miss Osten Eschedor from Addison High School presented her science project on the “Simulation of the removal of Microbeads from Facial Scrubs by the Waste Water Treatment Facility”. Miss Eschedor did her research with the guidance of WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison and she won many awards. The research proved that about 50% of the microbeads slip through the process and have been released back into the watershed.

NEW BUSINESS:**Show Cause Hearing – Article III Dangerous Structures – 207 E Main St.**

Section 5-56 of the City Code governs the procedures for dealing with properties deemed by the City building inspector to be dangerous buildings. Per City Code, the next step is for Council to hold a hearing to hear facts and officially determine whether the building in question is unsafe, and if so, to issue an order requiring the owner to repair or demolish the building within 10 days. If the owner fails to comply, the City then has the authority to refer the matter to the City Attorney to have the building demolished and the cost assessed as a lien on the property.

When the agenda item was first addressed at the September 2, 2014 Council meeting, Council voted to postpone this hearing until the owners at 207 E Main Street: secure the house by 1 week, remove all the junk and weeds around the house within 2 weeks, and return to council on October 21st to give a timeline on when the home will be repaired or demolished. At this hearing, the owners stated that they had secured the building, removed most of the junk and weeds, and had obtained a new building permit to bring the property up to standards. They had begun repairing the roof and have replaced some of the windows since then. No progress is evident so far this year. This hearing is to determine if progress is continuing and what the timeline is for completion. The new owner of the property, Mr. Jim Norris, was present to explain that they have complied with abating the dangerous conditions, and asked Council to remove the structure from the dangerous properties list.

745923:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **have the city manager ask the building inspector to re-inspect the house, and if it is no longer deemed a dangerous structure, to remove it from the list and to allow the building permit to continue; if Mr. Taylor deems it still dangerous, then have Mr. Norris come back, but if not dangerous, then proceed with the building permit as with any other structure, CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.**

RESOLUTION: Expand Industrial Development District

Pursuant to Act 198 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended, City Council has the authority to establish and amend “Industrial Development Districts” within the City of Hudson.

Alpine Manufacturing Technologies, Inc. has petitioned the city to amend Industrial Development District #12 to include the property they recently acquired across from their existing property on McKenzie Street, located in the City of Hudson. The attached resolution expands the existing Industrial District to include this property.

A noticed was placed in the Hudson Post Gazette and all residents and non-residents located within 300 feet of the property line were notified of the request. At this time, the City has received no complaints or objections to the request.

Granting of the Industrial Development District will allow Alpine Manufacturing Technologies, Inc. to apply for tax abatements and may qualify the business for other assistance through the State of Michigan.

745924:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Namrata Carolan to **approve the Resolution to amend and expand Industrial Development District #12 for Alpine Manufacturing Technologies, Inc.,** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: FOIA Procedures & Guidelines

The State Legislature recently approved amendments to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), PA 442 of 1976, as amended, to address issues such as internet information, fee calculations for FOIA requests, and appeal procedures.

The amendments include requirements that public bodies establish and adopt (by July 1, 2015) procedures and guidelines, a written public summary, and an itemized fee form which are consistent with the new amendments.

City staff has prepared these three documents, and these can be officially adopted with the approval of Council.

745925:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **approve the Freedom of Information Act Procedures and Guidelines, Public Summary and Itemized Fee Form as required by the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, PA 442 of 1976, as amended,** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION: Interfund Loan Transfers

The Interfund Loan Resolution gives the City Manager the authority to make short-term loans between funds to cover temporary expenditures based on the fact that adequate revenues will be available during the current fiscal year in said fund to cover the temporary loans.

745926:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Carl Sword to **approve the Interfund Loan Resolution giving the City Manager the authority to make short-term loans between funds to cover temporary expenditures,** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION: Intrafund Loan Transfers

The Intrafund Loan Resolution gives the City Manager the authority to transfer up to \$1,000 between appropriations within each fund, subject to confirmation by Council within 30 days after the transaction.

745927:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **approve the Intrafund Loan Resolution giving the City Manager the authority to transfer up to \$1,000 between appropriations within each fund, subject to confirmation by Council within 30 days after the transaction,** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: Water Reliability Study and General Plan – Jones & Henry Engineers, Ltd.

As previously mentioned, last year the DEQ notified the City that we need to have a new Water System Reliability Study (WSRS), and Jones & Henry Engineers, Ltd. have prepared a proposal to develop the WSRS and a Water System General Plan to meet this requirement. The FY 15/16 Budget includes funding for this proposal, and is approved, work could begin in time to draw from this funding. The cost of the proposal is \$19,500.00.

745928:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno **approve the proposal from Jones & Henry Engineers, Ltd., to develop the Water System Reliability Study and General Plan for \$19,500.00, and authorize the City Manager to sign the proposal, CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.**

**** Tyler Mattison left the meeting at 7:42 p.m. (Ambulance Call) ****

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**Bills:****Bills to be Approved for Payment: \$27,399.40**

Consumer Energy	\$ 1,579.26	May 2015 Industrial Park Electricity
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Sinclair Recreation LLC	\$ 7,981.00	Park Playground Equipment Installation
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$15,981.96	June 2015 Employee Health Insurance

Bills to be Confirmed: \$8,891.58

Consumer Energy	\$ 3,612.58	April 2015 Street Lights Electricity
Lakeside Equipment Corp	\$ 5,279.00	Oxidation Ditch Replacement Shaft/Parts

745929:

Motion by Lee Daugherty, seconded by Carl Sword to **approve to pay the bills, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote**

Department Head Reports for April 2015:**745930:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **accept the Department Head Reports for April 2015, and place on file, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote**

Accounts Payable Report for April 2015:**745931:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **accept the Accounts Payable Report for April 2015, and place on file, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote**

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- The new Playground at Will Carleton Park was installed last week. We are hoping to have a ribbon-cutting soon, with some children in attendance. The City Manager wishes to also note that the installers' names were Dennis, Dennis, and Dennis.
- The City is continuing to monitor the sub-base of the Engle Trail for the correct limits of moisture, in order to proceed with the final paving of the trail. The moisture is currently too high to permit paving. The paving should be complete by the end of the next month, if not sooner, depending on the weather.
- The work on the Rental Rehab project downtown continues to accelerate. The demolition which has been occurring at 226 W. Main should be completed this week, with the general contractors ready to begin the build-out of the 5 apartments in that building; this should be finished within a few weeks. Work should also begin within the next 2-3 weeks at the apartment at 212 W. Main. The 2 2-story loft apartments at 314 W. Main are already under construction, and plumbing and heating installation is underway. Cleanup at 225 W. Main should begin within 1-2 weeks, followed by construction of 4 2-story apartments. The 3rd-Party Grant Administrators are not yet willing to undertake further rounds of these grants, due to the administrative load experienced on this initial round; Steven Hartsel is hoping that they will remain as the grant Administrators for additional rounds of Rental Rehabilitation Grants for the City.
- The Engineer working on the West Gateway sign is preparing to determine fabrication costs in order to expedite construction this summer if the proposed location turns out to belong to the City and not MDOT, as we now suspect.
- The City will have a notice placed in the paper in late May regarding upcoming smoke testing, which we expect to conduct during the first week of June. We will also place paper notices at residences and businesses which might be affected by the testing, as well as coordinate with public safety personnel here and at the county. Finally, the televising crew working for Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering is now on standby to respond to any likely Inflow events during the season.

ADJOURNMENT:**745932:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.**

APPROVED: _____
Carmel Camp, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk

REVIEWED BY: _____
Denis F. Jodis, City Attorney
Dated: _____