

CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGULAR MEETING
April 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

745888:

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

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

ABSENT: Lee Ann Minton

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief Charles Weir, WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, City Treasurer Marcia Willett, Dan Cherry, City Manager Steve Hartsel, and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

ORDERS OF THE DAY:**Excuse Absent Member:****745889:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **excuse Councilmember Lee Ann Minton from the meeting**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote

Setting the Agenda:**745890:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **add under New Business Item D, accept bid for farmland lease and move Item D to Item E**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote

Approval of Minutes:**745891:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **approve the minutes of April 07, 2015 and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public comment

NEW BUSINESS:**APPROVE: No Parking on Main Street for Memorial Day Parade**

The Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 25, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. It will originate at the Market House on W. Main Street, commence east on M-34 to N. Maple Grove, continue north on N. Maple Grove to the Maple Grove Cemetery.

An advanced 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 the City Manager's recommendation that Council authorize "no parking" in the 200 and 300 block of W. Main Street from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. for the parade. This allows a safer environment for the children 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 11:00 a.m., they will do so.

745892:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, 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 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 25, 2015 for the Memorial Day Parade, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.**

ACCEPT BID: Pleasant Street Reconstruction Phase II

The Bid Opening for the Second Phase of the Pleasant Street Reconstruction Project (Grove to US-127) was held on Thursday, April 9th. 6 bids were received, as listed below:

Contractor	Bid Amount
A. Briskey Brothers, Tecumseh, MI	\$356,286.00
B. Bailey Excavating, Jackson, MI	\$222,478.25
C. Jule Swartz and Sons, Jackson, MI	\$243,779.00
D. Slusarski Excavating, Adrian, MI	\$200,940.50
E. Brady Sand & I Gravel, Tecumseh, MI	\$244,457.25
F. Concord Excavating, Concord, MI	\$197,832.90

Fleis & VandenBrink, the Project Engineers, recommend accepting the low bid from Concord Excavating.

745893:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Carl Sword to **award the contract to construct the Pleasant Street Phase II Reconstruction Project to Concord Excavating for \$197,832.90, and authorize the City Manager to sign all contract documents, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.**

APPROVE: Sanitary Sewer Field Investigation along Bean Creek

As a next step in the ongoing process to identify sources of water inflow and infiltration (I & I) into the City Sanitary Sewer System prior to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the project Engineers, Fleis & VandenBrink, recommend conducting Field Investigation work along the likely areas of I & I near the Bean Creek during the wet Spring months. This involves televising just prior to the sudden rise in creek levels, as well as smoke and dye testing. This will hopefully indicate previously unknown areas of interconnection between the Bean Creek and the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Fleis and VandenBrink recommends budgeting \$25,000 for this work, which should begin right away. This would be paid for from the current fiscal year S2 line item (590.561.956.200). This work will be reimbursed in the upcoming fiscal year under the SAW Grant.

745894:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **approve Sanitary Field Investigation Work relating to Inflow and Infiltration into the Sanitary Sewer System, up to \$25,000, from the S2 Budget Item, 590-561-956.200, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.**

ACCEPT: Bid for Farmland Lease:

At the meeting on March 3, 2015, Council authorized accepting sealed bids for a three (3) year lease to farm the undeveloped acreage at the Industrial Park, an area of approximately 60 acres.

No bids were received by the deadline.

We received an offer today for \$60.00 an acre from Jeremy Addleman of Addison.

Mr. Addleman is aware of and in agreement with the terms of the lease.

745895:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **accept the offer from Jeremy Addleman of Addison, Michigan in the amount of \$60.00 per acre for a three-year farm lease at the Industrial Park, and authorize City Manager Steve Hartsel to sign the lease on behalf of the City**, CARRIED 5-1 by roll call vote. (Daugherty – No)

Executive Session: OMA Section 8 (c) DPW and Police Union Negotiations:

Per Section 8 (c) of the OMA, Council entered into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing and continuing contract negotiations regarding the Department of Public Works and Hudson Police Department union contracts.

745896:

Motion by Rick Moreno, seconded by Carl Sword to **enter into Closed Session pursuant to OMA Section 8 (c) for strategy and negotiations regarding the Department of Public Works and Police Department Union Contracts**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

** Entered executive session at 7:18 p.m.

** Returned to open session at 7:28 p.m.

745897:

Motion by Lee Daugherty, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **proceed with the draft Police contract and submit for approval at the May 5th Council meeting**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION: FY 2015-2016 Budget

Changes under this revised budget include:

- A reduction in cost from \$260,000 to \$240,000 for the Pleasant Street Phase II Reconstruction Project due to a lower-than-expected construction bid
- A reduction from \$90,000 to \$30,000 for SAW Grant-related Engineering support for the sewer system. This is made possible by the DEQ delaying by 6 months the submission deadline of the S2-funded Project Plan, which negates the need to begin Phase I Design Engineering during the upcoming fiscal year. The remaining \$30,000 is to prepare various grant and funding assistance applications for future system rehabilitation.
- Increasing the cost for Renovation of the Northeast Parking Lot from \$120,000 to \$135,000 to provide more construction engineering, particularly bid administration and testing- the DDA is contributing \$80,000 to the project.

- The Ambulance Department pays for single healthcare for up to 4 full-time employees per the Affordable Care Act, with no additional benefits. This is paid for out of Ambulance Department revenues, with the City making the Ambulance loan payment from the Income Tax.

There are no changes to the General Fund balance from the original draft budget: the General Fund balance still increases by \$71,312 to an anticipated fiscal year-end balance of \$300,501. With lower-than-expected expenses for Pleasant Street Phase II, the Major Street fund balance increases from \$35,410 to \$55,410.

Set Public Hearing Date for the 2015-16 Budget and Truth in Taxation

The City needs to establish a Public Hearing date for the adoption of the FY 2015-16 City Budget, and the Truth in Taxation setting of the City Millage rate.

City Manager recommended setting the Public Hearing for Tuesday, May 5, 2015.

745898:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **approve to set a Public Hearing for the adoption of the FY 2015/16 City Budget, and the Truth In Taxation for setting of the City Millage rate for Tuesday, May 5, 2015, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.**

Bills:

Bills to be Approved for Payment: \$20,616.21

Cummins Bridgeway	\$ 1,097.25	Emergency Generator Repair at HFD/City Hall
Michindoh Pump Solutions	\$ 3,537.00	3 Little Giant Grinder Pumps @ \$1,179 each (two were originally approved by Council 2/3/15)
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$15,981.96	May 2015 Employee Health Insurance

Bills to be Confirmed: \$4,090.00

Unique Paving Materials	\$ 1,709.00	17.09 ton Cold Patch for Streets
J. McEldowney Inc	\$ 2,381.00	Canon Multi Use Unit, plus Set Up/Freight

745899:

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

Department Head Reports for March 2015:

745900:

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

Accounts Payable Report for March 2015:

745901:

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

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- Since the last Council meeting, the DEQ has taken a look at our S2 Project timeline, and has been generous in granting us additional time to submit an Inflow and infiltration Project Plan, Instead of having to submit the Project Plan and undertake Design Engineering during our upcoming fiscal year, we are only required to submit the Project Plan in December versus June. We therefore do not have to budget \$90,000 for design this year. The DEQ is also being very logical about supporting our desire to move ahead incrementally, with solving the Inflow and Infiltration problem as an initial phase of further improvements to the wastewater system.
- Siena Heights has informed us that Lenawee County will be the only community in Michigan to host the Arts Midwest Worldfest, beginning this fall. Groups of artists will spend about a week visiting communities in Lenawee County, including Hudson, to perform and share their cultures. The first group, in November, will be from Turkey. Later groups will arrive from Israel, China and Quebec.
- William and Daniel Bernath, of Osseo, who requested to lease 217 W. Main, have not responded to repeated calls to schedule signing of the lease.
- The Rental Rehabilitation Project continues to progress. Demo work is underway at 212 and 226 W. Main, and plumbers and electricians will be working at 314 within a few days.
- Demo of the Bender house on S. Wood has been completed by DPW. Debris is being removed from the site. Plans are nearly complete for the site, including a memorial plaque, picnic bench, and glider, as well as creating the parking spots.
- The City Treasurer and City Manager attended a meeting in Lansing on April 20th regarding City Income Tax enforcement, and some initiatives being proposed by the cities of Detroit and Grand Rapids.
- The draft MDOT Non-Motorized Plan for the University Region (which includes Lenawee and Hillsdale counties) has been posted to the MDOT website for review. The City participated in the development of the County input to the plan. Part of this statewide plan involves determining routes for Regional Non-Motorized Corridors. Part of the impetus for the Hudson Trails was to ensure that the City would be included in any future regional routes. This has now been achieved, and Hudson is shown as being included in the route from Hillsdale to Adrian.

ADJOURNMENT:**745902:**Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m.**APPROVED: _____
Carmel Camp, MayorATTEST: _____
Jeaniene McClellan, City ClerkREVIEWED BY: _____
Denis F. Jodis, City Attorney
Dated: _____