

**CITY OF HUDSON  
121 N. CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI 49247  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 1, 2014 7:00 P.M.**

**745705:**

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, Lee Ann Minton, Tyler Mattison, Lee Daugherty, and Rick Moreno  
ABSENT: Bruce VanWieren

ALSO PRESENT: Wes Boyd, WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, Carl Sword, Nancy Jenkins, Dan Cherry, Patrick Carolan, City Manager Steve Hartsel and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan.

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

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to excuse Bruce VanWieren from the meeting, DENIED: 1-5 by roll call vote. (Carolan – yes, Mayor Camp, Daugherty, Mattison, Minton, and Moreno – no)

**Setting the Agenda:**

Add Approval of Property lease at 313 W Main under New Business item E.

**745706:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **approve adding the approval of property lease at 313 W Main under New Business Item E**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

**Approval of Minutes:****745707:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **approve the minutes of June 17, 2014 and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Nancy Jenkins - State Representative** – Unemployment has decreased to approximately 7% in Lenawee County. In Lansing, the state passed the budget and allowing \$175 increase for the schools per pupil (except for one district) and the State Revenue for Hudson increased 2.6%. The sales taxes will be helping with the Michigan Roads. Local people will be able to invest in the crowdfunding in Lenawee County to help new businesses get started. The Tecumseh Brewing Company had \$175,000 of crowdfunding investment to help them get started.

**NEW BUSINESS:****APPROVE: Designate the Sunrise Meadows Trail as the Berlin Trail**

The segment of the trail system known as the Sunrise Meadows Trail has not been officially named. Sunrise Meadows started out as a reference to the location of the end of the trail. Nearly all of the property adjacent to this trail was owned and/or developed by the Berlin family, and specifically Richard “Dick” Berlin of the Metalloy Company.

At its June 23rd meeting, the Planning Commission voted to support naming this trail the Berlin Trail, after Richard Berlin. City Manager, Steven Hartsel has spoken to the Berlin family, and they gratefully support the idea.

Steven Hartsel recommended that Council officially designate the trail stretching from N. Maple Grove Ave. to the Sunrise Meadows subdivision the Berlin Trail, after Richard Berlin.

**745708:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **approve the designation of the trail segment from N. Maple Grove Ave. to the Sunrise Meadows subdivision as the Berlin Trail, in honor of Richard Berlin**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: Purchase Playground Set**

The City has been planning for several years to purchase a full playground set for Will Carleton Park. This item is included in this year’s budget. Playground set companies each have their own playground set designs, but the design being recommended for approval, from GameTime, stands out from the others in the price range for the number and variety of slides, climbing methods, and play levels it features. This is an ADA-accessible playset. In addition, this set is being quoted at a discount of over \$6,000, at just under \$25,000. With freight, the total cost is \$27,306.53. Recreation Advisory Board members also support selecting this playground set.

**745709:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **accept the quote from GameTime and approve the purchase**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: Handicapped Parking Spot at 113 Lafayette Street**

The owners of All Care, an Assisted Living Facility at 113 Lafayette Street, have requested that a parking space on the street in front of the facility be designated for Handicapped Parking. This would facilitate entry and exit from the facility.

On October 28, 2013 the Planning Commission voted to recommend that the Handicapped Parking Space be approved for as long as an Assisted Living Facility is operating at the address.

**745710:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Lee Ann Minton to **approve to designate a parking space at 113 Lafayette Street as Handicapped Parking for as long as an Assisted Living Facility is operating at the address**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**AUTHORIZE: Authorization to seek bids for the demolition of building located at 115 N Church St.**

The former Tiger’s Den restaurant building at 115 N. Church St. was condemned over a year ago. The City has purchased the property, and the demolition of the building is included in this year’s City and Downtown Development Authority budgets.

In preparation for demolition, an asbestos survey was conducted on the property on June 28th. The results of the survey will be incorporated in to the bid requirements, if required.

The next step towards demolition is for Council to authorize the City Manager to seek sealed bids for the demolition of the building as detailed in the attached bid specifications. The proposed deadline to receive bids is July 30th, with Council to consider awarding a bid at the August 5th Council meeting. The demolition is to be completed within 30 days of contract signing.

**745711:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **authorize the City Manager to seek sealed bids for the demolition of the building located at 115 N Church Street, CARRIED 6-0** by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: Property Lease – 313 W. Main Street**

Art and Laurel Robertson wish to expand their business Native Memories, and wish to rent the City-owned property at 313 W. Main St. City staff have prepared a standard lease with an initial term of 2-years, and a monthly rent of \$390.00.

**745712:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Lee Ann Minton to **approve a 2-year lease agreement with Art and Laurel Robertson for the property at 313 W. Main St., CARRIED 6-0** by roll call vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Bills:**

**No Bills to be Approved for Payment**

**Bills to be Confirmed: \$21,500.26**

Craig Wickham Tree Service	\$ 1,450.00	Grove Street Tree & Stump Removals
Fleis & VandenBrink	\$ 1,578.22	Bridge Improvements Services May 2014
Consumers Energy	\$ 2,611.08	June 2014 DPW/WTP Electricity
Consumers Energy	\$ 3,457.57	May 2014 Street Lights Electricity
Consumers Energy	\$ 4,399.45	June 2014 WWTP Electricity
Modern Waste Systems	\$ 8,003.94	June 2014 Refuse Statement

**745713:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Lee Ann Minton to **pay the bills, CARRIED: 6-0** by roll call vote

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:**

- Design engineering work has been continuing on the Industrial Park sign and the West Gateway sign. City Manager expects the Daily Telegram’s Monday Minute column to feature the sign work and a sketch of the sign. Also, last week the City submitted the request to MDOT for a 40’ by 100’ easement on the MDOT right of way at the southeast corner of Main and US-127, adjacent to McDonald’s. He has been advised by MDOT that this easement request may take as long as 12 months to work its way through the MDOT approval process.
- Streetlights are in the process of being installed within the Industrial Park by Consumers Energy. They will be activated after the electrical lines are finished being placed under the road.
- The City Manager attended a Pure Michigan marketing strategy meeting on June 25th which was hosted by Lenawee County Conference and Visitors Bureau. He was the sole representative from the western half of the County, and as such, he made an honest effort to include the perspective of all of our part of the County. The goal is to have the first Tim Allen-narrated radio ad ready to go by next spring.
- The recent heavy rain events is expected to provide highly-valuable data regarding the refocused Sanitary Sewer Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) study being conducted by the City and Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering. The engineering crews were in town on June 27th to download all of the recent data from the flow monitoring devices which were repositioned last month.
- The July 10th Concert in Webster Park will be sponsored by the City of Hudson. The musical guest will be the Yellow Room Gang, which is basically an all-star band consisting of many of the other musicians who have played at the park. We will be giving out T-shirts with the new city logo to the first 50 or so attendees.
- The Southern Michigan Center for Science and Industry is going through the process of receiving state certification to conduct teaching in its new facility. This certification is required prior to the Center starting its first courses.
- The Hudson Dairy conducted a tour for Council members and others on June 27th. The dairy has now begun milking operations, even though the facility still has about 70 percent of its renovation and construction to be completed. The main visitor center for all area MilkSource dairies will be at the Hudson Dairy.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**745714:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Tyler Mattison to **adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.**

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

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

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