

**CITY COUNCIL
121 N. Church Street, Hudson, MI
PUBLIC HEARING
October 07, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

745766:

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

ALSO PRESENT: Treasurer Marcia Willett, DPW Superintendent Phil Goodlock, Police Chief Charles Weir, Wes Boyd, WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, Donald McGranahan, Jonathan Poer, Derek & Meghan Campbell, Jim VanDoren, Carl Sword, Tim Robinson, Jim Driskill - County Commissioner, Phil Rubley – City Auditor, City Manager Steve Hartsel and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:**2011 Downtown Façade Rehabilitation CDBG Project (MSC 211008-CDF):**

No Comments received.

Adjourn Sine Die

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**CITY OF HUDSON
121 N. CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI 49247
REGULAR MEETING
October 07, 2014 (Immediately Following Public Hearing)**

745767:

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

ALSO PRESENT: Treasurer Marcia Willett, DPW Superintendent Phil Goodlock, Police Chief Charles Weir, Wes Boyd, WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, Donald McGranahan, Jonathan Poer, Derek & Meghan Campbell, Jim VanDoren, Carl Sword, Tim Robinson, Jim Driskill - County Commissioner, Phil Rubley – City Auditor, City Manager Steve Hartsel and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:**745768:****Excuse Absent Member:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **excuse Tyler Mattison from the meeting**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote

745769:**Setting the Agenda:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **add item H under New Business, Authorize: Replace Roof on WWTP Garage Building**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote

Approval of Minutes:**745770:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **approve the minutes of September 02, 2014 with corrections and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Derek Campbell, 407 Jefferson – had a sewage explosion into his basement after DPW had to clean out the main sewer line because of baby wipes causing the main line to be plugged. Jetting the backup allegedly caused sewage to explode into Mr. Campbell's basement. His estimate to restore his basement will be \$6,000 his home insurance paid him \$5,000. Mr. Campbell is asking Council to give him another \$1,000 to fix his home. Council encouraged Mr. Campbell to continue to work with City Staff towards a solution.

Jonathan Poer- Introduced himself to Council as the sole candidate on the ballot seeking to be elected as Lenawee County District Judge. He claims to have been practicing law since 1978, including 36 years in the prosecutor's office and the last year as the District Court Magistrate.

County Commissioner Jim Driskill – Lenawee County Legislative Dinner will be October 29, 2014 at the LIDS Tech Center in Adrian. The speaker will be State Senator Bruce Caswell about the Department of Human Services. Bill Harke from Milk Source and Grant Baumann from Region 2 Planning will be having presentations. Michigan State Tax Commission had audits on the local assessors and eight units had major violations but there were some with no violations.

PRESENTATION:

Lenawee Now- Jim Van Doren, Tim Robinson- Showed an audiovisual presentation of the Lenawee County area, emphasizing the contributions made recently by Lenawee Now towards the economic development and prosperity of the County. A number of these contributions may have had a positive effect on the western part of Lenawee County, including the City of Hudson.

NEW BUSINESS:**APPROVE: Set Halloween Trick or Treat Date and Time**

Halloween falls on Friday this year. Council has usually scheduled Trick-or-Treating from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

745771:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **set Trick-or-Treating for Friday, October 31, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: Re-appointments to Planning Commission

Brad VandeZande and Donna Klinger was appointed to a term that expired in July 2014, and both has expressed their interest and willingness to continue serving on the Planning Commission.

Mr. VandeZande and Ms. Klinger meets all the qualifications to be reappointed to the Planning Commission, and is not indebted to the City.

At their meeting on September 22, 2014 the Commission recommended that Brad VandeZande and Donna Klinger each be reappointed to a three-year term on the Planning Commission expiring July 2017.

745772:

Motion by Lee Daugherty, seconded by Namrata Carolan to **reappoint Brad VandeZande and Donna Klinger to the Planning Commission for three-year terms expiring July 2017**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: Variance for 119 N Maple Grove Ave

The Planning Commission voted on Monday, September 22, 2014 to recommend that Council approve a request from Bryan High of 119 N Maple Grove Ave. for a variance (under Section 15-34 Curb Cut Requirements of the City Code) to widen his driveway approach by 14 feet to accommodate a camping trailer.

During the meeting no objections were received, nor have any written objections been received to the variance. The request is being submitted to the City Council, acting as the Zoning Board of Appeals. Attached for Council's review is a copy of the Variance Request as well as the relevant Zoning Ordinance and supporting documents.

745773:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **Grant the Variance Request from Bryan High at 119 N Maple Grove Ave. to widen his driveway approach by 14 feet**, CARRIED 4-2 by roll call vote. (Council members Daugherty and Minton – no)

AUTHORIZE: HPD to Receive Donation

MilkSource, LLC has contacted the Hudson Police Department with an offer to make a donation to HPD. This donation could be used to provide the matching funding for the recently-approved ballistic vest grant.

Council permission has been required in order to conduct fundraising activities, and while this would be a donation initiated by MilkSource, we wish Council to still affirm the donation.

745774:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **authorize the Hudson Police Department to accept a donation from MilkSource, with gratitude** , CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

AUTHORIZE: Sale of 2004 Police Cruiser

The Hudson Police Department no longer requires the 2004 Ford Crown Victoria Police Cruiser.

Article 4, Division 2, Section 2-131 of the Code of Ordinances requires the sale to be done through competitive bidding authorized by at least 4 members of Council.

745775:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **authorize the City to sell the 2004 Ford Crown Victoria Police Cruiser**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: Financial Audit Report for Period ending June 30, 2014

Philip Rubley, City Auditor, has prepared the financial statement of accounts for the period of July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014. The auditor reviewed his opinion with the Council and give an unqualified audit which is the highest standard given by auditors.

Mr. Rubley provided copies of the audit and during his presentation he told council that the accounting practices at the City Offices are excellent. He stated that there has been a major improvement in the overall position of the City. The Fund Balance has increased by approximately \$81,000. He felt that the governmental funds are in really good shape.

745776:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **accept and approve the audit report as presented by City Auditor and place on file**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: Show Cause Hearing – Article III Dangerous Structures – 105 Lincoln St

Section 5-56 of the City Code (attached) governs the procedures for dealing with properties deemed by the City building inspector to be dangerous buildings. On July 11, 2014, Ray Taylor, the City building inspector, has deemed 105 Lincoln Street to be a dangerous structure.

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 costs assessed as a lien on the property.

When this agenda item was first addressed at the September 2nd Council Meeting, Council voted to postpone this hearing until October 7th to allow the owner to remove any personal belongings and to give the Council a date for demolition. Nothing appears to have been done at the property since September 2nd.

745777:

Motion by Lee Daugherty, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **declare 105 Lincoln Street to be a dangerous structure and order the owner to repair or demolish in 10 days**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

AUTHORIZE: Replace Roof on WWTP Garage Building

City Council approved funds in this year's budget (Capital Outlay 590.561.995.200 (Roof Replacement)) in the amount of \$7,000.00. WWTP Personnel wishes to move ahead with this project and request permission to seek bids for the replacement of the WWTP garage roof, including material, installation, and disposal of old roof material. This building is located north of the main WWTP office and lab.

745778:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **allow WWTP personnel to solicit bids for the replacement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Garage Roof**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**Bills:****Bills to be Approved for Payment: \$48,017.63**

Archbold Equipment	\$ 2,400.00	Kubota Billygoat Blower Assembly
CMP Distributors	\$ 3,503.00	Five new Armor Vests for P/T Officers
Tri-County International Trucks	\$ 4,431.63	Emergency Repairs to Fire Engine #2
Archbold Equipment	\$ 10,400.00	Kubota 60" Broom/Sweeper
Signature Ford	\$ 27,283.00	2015 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor

Bills to be Confirmed: \$49,026.50

Consumer Energy	\$ 1,113.51	Community Center Electricity Sep 2014
Consumer Energy	\$ 1,132.87	City Hall Electricity Sep 2014
Blake Electric	\$ 2,112.00	DPW Storage Bldg Electric Service Prep
Consumer Energy	\$ 2,201.52	WTP/DPW Electricity Sep 2014
Consumer Energy	\$ 4,568.23	WWTP Electricity Sep 2014
Digital Ally	\$ 4,620.00	Video Equipment for HPD Ford Explorer
Michigan Municipal League	\$ 5,770.00	4th Quarter 2014 Workers Comp Premium
Modern Waste Systems	\$ 8,003.94	September 2014 Refuse Service
Blue Cross Blue Shield of MI	\$ 19,504.43	October 2014 Employee Health Insurance

745779:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **pay the bills**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote

Department Head Reports for August 2014:**745780:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **accept the Department Head Reports for August 2014, and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote

Accounts Payable Report for August 2014:**745781:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **accept the Accounts Payable Report for August 2014, and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

MINUTES FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS :**745782:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **accept the LDFA Minutes dated June 12, 2014 and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

745783:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Bruce VanWieren to **accept the Planning Commission Minutes dated September 22, 2014 (pending approval) and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- The Governor will be visiting the Southern Michigan Center for Science and Industry on October 16th. Council members are expected to be invited to this event.
- Promedica has purchased the former United Bank & Trust building downtown. They intend to move Thorn to the location. All existing services will remain available at the new location, including lab and X-ray. Old National Bank will continue to operate the drive-through and have inside service; the downstairs will be preserved and will remain available for use by the community. Promedica will be coming to a future Council meeting to provide additional details and answer questions.
- We received notification that our application for this year's Tree Grant has been approved. We are to receive the full requested amount of \$2,000. The 20 trees have been planted, and we should expect to receive the check around the end of the year.
- The currently-estimated date for the start of demolition of the Tiger's Den is within the next two weeks, with completion still expected by the end of this month.
- The Engle Trail project is on schedule, with paving tentatively scheduled for October 15-16, which should allow the Sunrise meadows repaving project to be completed this year. City Manager has been in contact with the Michigan Greenways and Trail Alliance, and the Hudson Trail System will be included on next year's map of Statewide Trails.
- The Police Department's new SUV Patrol vehicle has been received, outfitted, and placed in service.
- The demolition of the former Homer Donaldson building at Mackenzie and School Streets is nearing completion. Alpine Manufacturing purchased the site and intends to expand there.
- A reminder that from Feb 7 – March 29 next year, "The Way We Worked" Smithsonian Museum travelling exhibit will be in Hudson. Ray Lennard is chairing the committee running the exhibit, which will be promoted in Michigan and Ohio.

ADJOURNMENT:

745784:

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m.**

APPROVED: _____
Carmel Camp, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk

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