

**CITY COUNCIL**  
**121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**December 02, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

**745814:**

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, Lee Daugherty, Rick Moreno and Carl Sword

ABSENT: Tyler Mattison

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief Charles Weir, WWTP Superintendent Ted Huchison, Jennifer Lee, Brad Vanderlooven, Lenawee County Commissioner Jim Driskill, City Manager Steve Hartsel, and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

**ORDERS OF THE DAY:****Excuse Absent Member:****745815:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Carl Sword to **excuse Tyler Mattison from the meeting**, DENIED: 2-4 by roll call vote (Camp, Daugherty, Minton, Moreno – no)-(Carolan and Sword - yes)

**Approval of Minutes:****745816:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **approve the minutes of November 10, 2014 and place on file**, CARRIED: 6-0 by roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jennifer Lee, Culver Rd., Wheatland Twp. - stated she has been a Hudson Area Schools Bus Driver for 11 years. She came to Council to thank the Police Department for having an officer stationed on N Maple Grove to slow the school traffic down and also help the children cross the street. Chief Weir and Officer Samoray were given special thanks for their help.

Lenawee County Commissioner Jim Driskill – The Legislative Dinner will be January 28<sup>th</sup>, titled the “State of the City”. Anyone who is 60 years or over and needs a shingles vaccine call 517-265-5226 to make an appointment. The Lenawee County Sheriff’s building may not be repaired until the year 2018 but until then it is continuing to deteriorate.

**NEW BUSINESS:****APPROVE: Resignation of Carl Sword from the Planning Commission**

On November 10, 2014 Carl Sword was sworn in as a City Council member and has submitted his resignation, effective as of November 10, 2014.

**745817:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **accept the resignation of Carl Sword from the Planning Commission**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: Appointment Jack Donaldson to the Planning Commission**

At the Planning Commission meeting on November 24, 2014, the commission voted to recommend the appointment of Jack Donaldson to a term to expire in July 2017.

Mr. Donaldson Meets all the qualifications to be appointed to the Planning Commission, and is not indebted to the City.

**745818:**

Motion by Lee Daugherty, seconded by Rick Moreno to **appoint Jack Donaldson to the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring in July 2017**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: Appointment Beth Johnston to the Planning Commission**

At the Planning Commission meeting on November 24, 2014, the commission voted to recommend the appointment of Beth Johnston to a term to expire in July 2016.

Ms. Johnston meets all the qualifications to be appointed to the Planning Commission, and is not indebted to the City.

**745819:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **appoint Beth Johnston to the Planning Commission for a two-year term expiring July 2016**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: Appointment Anne Atkin to the Recreation Advisory Board**

Ann Atkin's appointment will fill a vacant seat on the Recreation Advisory Board with a term expiring in July 2015.

Anne Atkin meets all the minimum requirements, and is not indebted to the City.

**745820:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Rick Moreno to **Confirm the appointment of Anne Atkin to the Recreation Advisory Board with a term expiring in July 2015**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: 5 Year Service Award for Marcia J. Willett**

Per the City of Hudson Employee Handbook, employees are to receive a Certificate of Appreciation Service Award for five years of service in the City of Hudson.

On behalf of the citizens of Hudson, the Hudson City Council extends its appreciation for Marcia J. Willett for five (5) years of dedicated service in the City of Hudson from November 16, 2009 to November 16, 2014.

**745821:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Rick Moreno to **approve the 5-year Certificate of Appreciation to Marcia J. Willett**, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.

**APPROVE: Reappointment of Cindy Corner to District Library Board**

The Hudson Carnegie District Library Agreement specifies that the City of Hudson shall appoint two members to the Hudson Carnegie District Library Board.

Lee Daugherty and Cindy Corner currently serve as Board Members. Ms. Corner's initial two-year term expires this month, and the Hudson Carnegie District Library has submitted the attached letter to Council requesting that she be reappointed to a full three-year term, expiring in December of 2017. Ms. Corner has also requested to be reappointed.

**745822:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **reappoint Cindy Corner to a three-year term on the Hudson Carnegie District Library Board, with a term to expire in December 2017, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.**

**APPROVE: Pleasant Street Reconstruction Phase II Engineering Proposal**

The Fiscal Year 2014/15 Budget contains \$40,000 in funding for initial engineering work (design, permitting, bid administration and initial construction engineering) on the second phase of the reconstruction of Pleasant Street, from Grove to US-127.

Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering has submitted a proposal (attached) to amend the professional services agreement to provide for design and engineering services for this phase for \$46,500.00. This amount includes work to be completed and billed during the next fiscal year; this fiscal year's engineering costs will be well within the budgeted amount.

If approved, design and permitting work could begin immediately, and bidding could be conducted in February, while contractor prices are at their ebb. Construction itself would still be scheduled for the summer, during the next fiscal year.

**745823:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **authorize the City Manager to accept the proposal from Fleis & VandenBrink for design and engineering services for \$46,500.00 for the second phase of the reconstruction of Pleasant Street (from Grove to US 127), to be paid out of the Local Streets fund (203.451.816.200), CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.**

**APPROVE: Resolution Declaring 105 Lincoln Street to be an Unsafe Structure**

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. The Council declared the structure at 105 Lincoln Street to be a dangerous structure on October 7, 2014, following a Show Cause hearing at which the property owner was present.

Per City Code, the next step is for Council is 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 have the building demolished and the costs assessed as a lien on the property.

**745824:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Namrata Carolan to **approve the Resolution to order the owner of 105 Lincoln Street to repair or demolish the dangerous structure on that property with 10 days, CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote.**

**DISCUSSION: Snow Emergency Ordinance**

The City Attorney and City Manager have prepared the attached Snow Emergency Ordinance. The Ordinance is designed to allow for the removal of vehicles from city streets and parking lots in cases of heavy snow and/or ice in order to facilitate snow removal and increase safety on public streets.

This Ordinance allows operators of vehicles to have 12 hours to remove vehicles from city streets and parking lots, which is enough time to minimize the impact of the vehicle removal requirement on residents' employment.

**745825:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **schedule the 1st reading of the Snow Emergency ordinance for the next council meeting**, CARRIED 5-1 by roll call vote. (Carolan – no)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:****Bills:****Bills to be Approved for Payment: \$17,281.62**

Borton's Sand & Gravel	\$ 1,217.00	1997 Ford Dump Truck Brakes
Miss Dig Systems	\$ 1,277.02	2014 Annual Membership Fee
Detroit Salt Company	\$ 2,972.60	50.46 Ton Road Salt
Underwood Nursery	\$ 3,000.00	20 New Assorted Trees (Consumers Grant \$2,000)
J G M Valve	\$ 3,045.00	WWTP Vaughan Pump Rebuild Parts
MML Workers Comp Fund	\$ 5,770.00	1st Qtr 2015 Workers Comp Insurance

**Bills to be Confirmed: \$14,975.87**

Consumers Energy	\$ 1,238.25	November 2014 WTP/DPW Electricity
Hillsdale Cty Inspections	\$ 1,620.00	October 2014 Bldg & Rental Inspections
Consumers Energy	\$ 3,063.68	November 2014 WWTP Electricity
Modern Waste Systems	\$ 9,053.94	Refuse Service for Nov 2014 & Fall Cleanup

**745826:**

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

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- A reminder that this year's Christmas Parade will be held Friday, December 5th at 6 p.m.
- The following day, Saturday, December 6th, will be the dedication of the memorial in the Hudson Museum for the late Dan "Boone" Hall at 1 p.m. This event will be hosted by the Bean Creek Historical Society.
- The placement of the new Industrial Park Gateway sign near the intersection of M-34 and Munson Hwy has been further delayed by the mixed weather, which has not made it possible for the heavy truck which will dig the large holes for the sign to access the site. The primary vertical supports

will be placed in concrete initially, followed by the main metal structure and sign cabinets, with the masonry columns to be placed about a week later.

- The most recent update from Briskey Brothers regarding the timing of the Tiger's Den demolition is now about the 10th of December.
- The State has conducted an individual audit of all Assessing Units in the State, including Hudson. The City received the results, which included several items not in compliance with the latest State standards. After consultation with our Assessor, City Manager, Steven Hartsel have submitted a corrective plan to the Treasury.
- Likewise, we also had an inspection of the Water Treatment Plant by the DEQ. The chief deficiency identified on this visit is the requirement for a new Reliability Study, which is required every 5 years. We are working with the City Engineer at Jones & Henry to prepare a new Study, and have also submitted a corrective plan to the DEQ.
- The DEQ has completed its review of the proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant monitoring program, which included an on-site inspection, and has approved the plan effective immediately.
- The Planning Commission has approved the Site Plan for the Phase 1 expansion of Alpine Manufacturing, which will begin shortly with the construction of a 90' x 110' building across the street from their existing facility on School St.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**745827:**

Motion by Namrata Carolan, seconded by Carl Sword to **adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.**

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

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

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