

City of Hastings
COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 25, 2013

1. Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Campbell in Council Chambers at City Hall.
2. Present at roll call were members: Bowers, Depue, Jarvis, Jasperse, McNabb-Stange, Redman, Tossava, Wood, and Campbell.

City Staff and Appointees present: Mansfield, Emery, Sarver, Caris, Girrbach, Hart, Holzwarth, and Fekkes.

3. Pledge to the flag.
4. Approval of the agenda.

Motion by Wood, with support by Tossava, to approve the agenda as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of February 11, 2013.

Motion by Wood, with support by Tossava, to approve the minutes as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.

6. Proclamations: (None).
7. Public Hearings: (None).

8. Formal presentations and requests:

Consider request from Valerie Byrnes, Chamber of Commerce, to move Gus Macker to the downtown area.

Ms. Byrnes presented her request for the use of the downtown area for the event.
Council asked questions about the proposed layout.

Motion by Tossava, with support by Redman, to approve request under direction of City staff as presented.

Ayes: Bowers, Depue, Jasperse, McNabb-Stange, Redman, Tossava, Wood, and Campbell.

Nays: Jarvis.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

9. Recommendations from other Boards: (None).

10. Ordinances: (None).

11. Resolutions:

Consider **Resolution 2013-04** expressing the need to fund the repair of Michigan roads and transportation systems.

Campbell noted that the Resolution is modeled on MML request.

Motion by Redman, with support by Bowers, to adopt **Resolution 2013-04** as presented.

Redman amended his motion to adopt the Resolution removing the paragraph regarding the gas tax, Bowers amended his support.

Ayes: Bowers, Jarvis, McNabb-Stange, Redman, Wood, and Campbell.

Nays: Depue, Jasperse, and Tossava.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

12. Appointments:

Consider Mayor Campbell's appointment of Shannon Thornton to the Nature Area Board with a term expiring December 31, 2015.

Motion by Tossava, with support by Jarvis, to approve Mayor Campbell's appointment as presented.

Ayes: Bowers, Depue, Jarvis, Jasperse, McNabb-Stange, Redman, Tossava, Wood, and Campbell.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

13. Bids, Contracts, Agreements, Abandonment's, and Sales:

Consider approval and authorization for the Clerk/Treasurer to execute an agreement with Point and Pay, LLC to process debit and credit card payments for taxes and utility bills.

Motion by Tossava, with support by Wood, to approve and authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to execute the agreement as presented.

Ayes: Bowers, Depue, Jarvis, Jasperse, McNabb-Stange, Redman, Tossava, Wood, and Campbell.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

14. Consent items without individual discussion:

- A. Invoices:
 - Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc. - \$15,908.74
 - USALCO - \$5,197.77
- B. Draft minutes of the Barry County Board of Commissioners meeting of February 12, 2013.
- C. Barry County Central Dispatch 1st Quarter Summary.
- D. Draft minutes of the Joint Planning Alliance meeting of February 18, 2013.
- E. Annual Report for the Carlton Township STEP System.
- F. Draft minutes of the Hastings Public Library Board of Directors meeting of February 18, 2013.
- G. Minutes of the Barry County Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole meeting of February 19, 2013.
- H. Minutes of the Barry County Central Dispatch Technical meeting of January 29, 2013.
- I. Draft minutes of the Barry County Central Dispatch Administrative meeting of January 28, 2013.

Motion by Bowers, supported by Redman, to receive and place on file Items 14.A. through 14.I. inclusive.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

15. City Manager's report:

- A. Police Chief Sarver gave his monthly report.
- B. Clerk/Treasurer Emery gave his monthly report.
- C. Community Development Director Hart gave his monthly report.
- D. Report on Consumers street light survey, annual savings, and refund.

Mansfield discussed.
- E. Discussion of draft ordinance regarding registration of responsible parties in the case of foreclosed property.

Mansfield discussed and suggested that the draft is lenient compared to others. Campbell asked for Council consensus to consider this meeting the first reading. Council consensus was affirmative; second reading will be held next meeting.
- F. Report on the abandonment of Well #2.

Campbell questioned the possibility of other uses for the well. Mansfield agreed to review with MDEQ and report back.
- G. Invitation to a meeting regarding the formation of a Joint Planning Commission to be held at Rutland Township Hall on March 12, 2013 at 7:30 PM.

Mansfield discussed meeting.

16. City Attorney's Report: (None).

17. Legislative Director's Report:

Wood cautioned the City to consider the effect of federal sequester.
Campbell asked about the GVMC meeting regarding roads that Hastings was not invited to.
Redman attended the MML EOA Weekender regarding the purpose of local government, organization, ethics, and the roles of various officials.

18. Open Public Discussion from the Floor:

Shelly Smith from the Barry Eaton Health Department spoke about health promotion activities.
Hoot Gibson spoke regarding County Commission appointments, Board evaluations, reports from the Animal Shelter, emergency calls, and the Conservation District tree sale.

19. Mayor and Council comment:

Bowers wished his wife, Lois, a Happy Birthday.

20. Consider Closed Session as permitted by PA 267 of 1976, Section 15.268-8(h) to consider material exempt from disclosure by state or federal statute (to receive privileged attorney-client communication).

Motion by McNabb-Stange, with support by Redman, to enter into closed session at 8:21 PM as permitted.

Ayes: Bowers, Depue, Jarvis, Jasperse, McNabb-Stange, Redman, Tossava, Wood, and Campbell.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

Return to open session at 8:40 PM.

21. Adjourn.

Motion by Bowers, to adjourn at 8:41 PM.

22. Read and Approved:

Franklin L. Campbell, Mayor

Thomas E. Emery, City Clerk