

**CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGULAR MEETING VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
September 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.**

747144:

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

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Carmel Camp, Lee Daugherty, Lee Ann Minton, Carl Sword, Pam Ely, and Darlene VandeZande
ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Barb Ireland – Hudson Post-Gazette, WWTP Superintendent Ted Hutchison, Chief of Police Charles Weir, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, DPW Superintendent Jay Best, City Manager Steven Hartsel and Deputy City Clerk Linda Cross

ORDERS OF THE DAY:**Approval of Minutes of August 4, 2020:****747145:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Pam Ely to **approve the minutes of August 4, 2020, and place on file**, CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Barb Ireland, Hudson Post Gazette, commended the DPW on their quick response to the clean-up of the recent storm. The new equipment is an asset to picking up fallen trees and brush.

NEW BUSINESS:**REAPPOINT: Lou Ann Bryant to the Election Commission:**

Lou Ann Bryant has served on the Election Commission for the last three years and her term has expired. She would like to continue to serve on the Election Commission.

747146:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Lee Ann Minton to **reappoint Lou Ann Bryant to the Election Commission with a term to expire in June 2023**. CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: Pay Application 2 for N. Maple Grove Reconstruction Phase 1:

Pay application 2 for Phase 1 of the Maple Grove Reconstruction Project has been validated by the Project Engineer and forwarded for Council approval. This Pay Application (attached) from Bailey Excavating covers construction costs for the month of July in the amount of \$59,470.23.

747147:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **approve Pay Application 2 for the Maple Grove Reconstruction Project Phase 1 in the amount of \$59,470.23.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote.

APPROVE: Street and Trail Crack-Sealing:

We wish to continue conducting preventative maintenance on city streets by crack-sealing them against water and ice intrusion. We have budgeted \$33,000 in the current budget for this, as well as \$7,500 for trail maintenance. We have received a proposal from K&B Asphalt Sealcoating to perform crack-sealing on North Street; the 100 block of N Church; Market Street between Railroad and Mechanic; and Tiffin, north of Jackson Street for \$32,125.00. The proposal also includes crack-sealing the Findlay, Engle and Berlin Trails for \$1,750.00. We wish to have this work completed this autumn before temperatures drop.

747148:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Pam Ely to **Approve the proposal from K&B Asphalt Sealcoating for street and trail crack-sealing for \$33,875.00.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote

APPROVE: VFD Motor Controller for DPW Well Pump:

DPW Superintendent Jay Best wishes to complete the replacement of the 3 on/off style well pump motors with variable-frequency motor controllers. This is to reduce wear and tear on the water lines and pumps and electrical components. Council approved the replacement of one of these each of the past two summers by Brint Electric of Adrian. This third and final VFD is for \$5,000.00, the same as last year. This improvement is funded under the Water Plant Equipment Repair/Replacement budget.

747149:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **Approve the proposal from Brint Electric to install a variable-frequency motor controller on one of the well pumps for \$5,000.00.** CARRIED 6-0 by roll call vote

APPROVE: Police Cruiser Outfitting:

Chief Weir received three bids to set up the 2020 Durango Police Vehicle by the following companies with bids attached to this review from:

-Adrian Sign	\$15,071.00
-Ground Effects Ltd.	\$10,886.00
-Herkimer Radio Service	\$11,517.00

His recommendation is Herkimer Radio Service. Ground Effects provided me a bid but advised me that due to their current situation, they would not be able to start work on the patrol vehicle until December.

He also requires an in-car camera system and a police radar unit. Attached are the price quotes for the radar unit and camera system:

-Stalker Radar from Applied Concepts Inc, \$2,495.00 which is the State of Michigan bid price.

This is the same unit that is in the other HPD patrol vehicles.

-Provision Video Systems for \$2,930.00. This camera system is currently in other HPD patrol vehicles as well.

The purchase of the above requested equipment will still be within the budgeted amount for the new patrol vehicle. The total including the purchase price of the vehicle would be \$47,424.20 of the budgeted \$49,000.00.

747150:

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **Approve the equipment purchase and set up of the 2020 Dodge Durango with Herkimer Radio Service for \$11,517.20, and the purchase of a police radar unit for \$2,495.00 and an in-car camera system for \$2,930.00, for a total of \$16,942.20, to be paid out of HPD Budget line item 101.301.971.000.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote

APPROVE: Modern Waste Trash Container Proposal:

Modern Waste Systems, our refuse collection contractor, has requested the City's approval for them to transition to an automated side-arm collection method, using standard 95-gallon containers. They use this system in Hillsdale, Litchfield, Cement City, and Jonesville. According to the company, the system is faster, safer, more employee-friendly and cleaner than the current manual collection method. Modern waste would invest over \$50,000 here to change over to the new system. If approved by Council, each residential unit would receive a new 95-gallon roll-out cart without cost. After the motion was made to approve the request, Council Member Minton requested that the motion be tabled until the September 15th Council meeting so that Modern Waste would explain in writing about the possibility for extra containers and an option to continue to place plastic bags at the curb for collection.

747151:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Pam Ely to **Table the Approval until next Council Meeting of the motion to approve the request by Modern Waste to use 95-gallon rollout containers for the weekly refuse collection.** CARRIED 7-0 by roll call vote

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**Bills:****Bills to be Approved for Payment: \$69,005.42**

Dominion Voting	\$2,674.39	Tabulator & Ballot Box for Elections
BCBS of Michigan	\$27,757.62	Health Insurance Premiums for September
Bortons Sand & Gravel	\$5,000.00	Annual Brush Disposal
The Prodigy Network	\$1,480.24	IT Support for City Office through June
MML Workers Comp Fund	\$5,384.00	Second Quarter Policy Premiums
Lenawee County	\$1,652.00	Annual MDT Partnership Fees for HPD
Terry Henricks Ford	\$3,418.42	Evaporator Repair for DPW Vehicle
Modern Waste Systems	\$11,039.34	City Refuse Collection & Spring Cleanup
Craig Wickham Tree Service	\$1,200.00	Tree Removal & Stump Grinding
Zoll Medical Corporation	\$9,399.41	Defibrillator Payment #2 for ALS

Bills to be Confirmed: \$9,234.59

Lincoln National Life	\$1,189.71	Life Insurance Premiums for September
Consumers Energy	\$3,840.32	Electricity Costs for WWTP
Consumers Energy	\$1,999.67	Electricity Costs for WTP
Consumers Energy	\$2,204.89	Electricity Costs for Street Lights

747152:

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **pay the bills and place on file,** CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

Department Head reports for July 2020:**747153:**

Motion by Carl Sword, seconded by Lee Daugherty to **accept the Department Head Reports for July 2020, and place on file**, CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

Accounts Payable Report for July 2020:**747154:**

Motion by Lee Daugherty, seconded by Carl Sword to **accept the Accounts Payable Report for July 2020, and place on file**, CARRIED: 7-0 by roll call vote.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- N. Maple Grove Phase 1 Construction: The sanitary sewer relining was completed on Thursday, with the last 4 laterals to be reconnected by the beginning of the week. Storm sewer structures have been places. The pavement removal began Friday. Concrete removal is set to begin next week. Contractors will be working Saturdays (except Labor Day weekend) until the project is substantially completed- the contract date for this is September 23rd. Reconstruction of the street itself will begin with the removal of concrete curbs, gutters and driveway approaches. The subbase and underdrains will be completed, followed by new concrete work. Base grading and paving completion will permit the street to be reopened to through traffic.
- N Maple Grove Future Construction: Jones & Henry is nearing completion of the Preliminary Engineering Review (PER) approved by Council earlier this year. We are hoping to have their summary presentation to Council at the September 15th meeting. To proceed towards an application to the Rural Development Agency, we need to have an environmental review of the project completed- this can be done for free by the Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP). The Engineers will discuss this during the presentation.
- The filter media replacement at the Water Treatment Plant has been completed, and went smoothly.
- EGLE has approved the City's request to change the method of adding chlorine (technically, sodium hypochlorite for those of you interested in chemistry) to our water supply. Jay hopes to begin this change later next week.
- We received notification from the State Tax Commission that their latest Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements (AMAR) shows that all previous discrepancies from several years ago have been corrected and closed out. City Assessor Stephanie Renius expects the Tax Commission too officially return the Tax Roll to the City following their October meeting.
- The Auditors completed the in-office portion of the Annual Financial Audit last week, and expect to be able to make their presentation of the results of the audit to Council during the month of October.
- Storm Restoration from the August 14th storm is nearly 100% complete. Some minor brush removal is still occurring, as is some telephone and cable line repair. Jay has surveyed the City trees since the storm, and believes that as many as 60 will require either trimming or replacement, although not all of these are of immediate concern.

ADJOURNMENT:**747155:**

Motion by Lee Ann Minton, seconded by Carl Sword to **adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.**

APPROVED: _____
Carmel Camp, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Linda J Cross, Deputy City Clerk

REVIEWED BY: _____
Denis F. Jodis, City Attorney

Dated: _____