



**CITY OF HART  
407 S. STATE ST.  
HART, MI 49420  
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
APRIL 14 2020, 7:30 P.M.  
MINUTES - APPROVED**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Ron LaPorte, Councilors: Joe Frontiera, Catalina Burillo – via Zoom, and Steve Hegedus

**ABSENT:** Vicki Platt, Jason La Fever, and Rob Splane

**OTHERS PRESENT** City Manager – Lynne Ladner, and Deputy City Clerk - Cheri Eisenlohr.

Mayor LaPorte called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, following the roll call, the Mayor lead the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

**AGENDA:**

- Mr. Hegedus made a motion to approve the agenda, supported by Mr. Frontiera, the motion carried.
  - Ayes: 4            Nays: 0            Absent: 3

**MINUTES:**

- Mr. Frontiera made a motion to approve the minutes of March 24, 2020, meeting, with corrections that Ms. Burillo pointed out, supported by Mr. Hegedus, the motion carried.
  - Ayes: 4            Nays: 0            Absent: 3

**PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, EVENTS, PRESENTATIONS:**

- No public

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

*Police Chief, Juan Salazar:*

- Written report provided in the packet.

*Energy Dept. Superintendent, Mike Schiller:*

- Written report provided in the packet.

*BioPure Superintendent, Paul Cutter:*

- Written report was provided in the packet.

*DPW Superintendent, Brad Whitney:*

- Written report was provided in the packet.

*HEART Director, Nichole Steel:*

- Written report was provided in the packet.

**BILLS, CLAIMS, & PAYROLL:**

- Bills: \$449,021.53      Payroll: \$59,048.52      Grand Total: \$508,070.05
  - Mr. Hegedus made a motion to approve, supported by Mr. Frontiera, the motion carried.
    - Ayes: 4            Nays: 0            Absent: 3

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Ms. Ladner addressed the following Action Items:

Memo

To: Mayor and Council  
From: Lynne Ladner  
Date: 02/21/2020  
Re: Res. 2020-25 Accept bids and authorize purchase and installation of fencing at DPW location 1010 S State Street as an "Essential Project"

We have received bids for new fencing at the DPW, where the waterworks building was removed. The bids were solicited and received before the current Stay Home EO was in place, and the work is considered to be essential as we are experiencing issues with trespass and larceny at the site of items stored by the City on the property.

Bids were received from three companies, Great Lakes Pet Fencing (Hart) in the amount of \$10,725, AAA Fence, LLC (Muskegon) in the amount of \$10,648 and Affordable Fence (Muskegon) in the amount of \$17,257.43 with an alternative for a 1.8 oz fence coating at the cost of \$15,124.39

It is my recommendation that the City accept the bids and authorize selecting the low "local" bidder Great Lakes Pet Fencing for the project in the amount of \$10,725 a \$77 difference, and it keeps the work with a local Oceana County business.

Lynne

**RESOLUTION 2020-25**  
**City Council**  
**City of Hart, Michigan**  
**Oceana County**

***ACCEPT BIDS AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF FENCING AT DPW  
LOCATION 1010 S STATE STREET AS AN ESSENTIAL PROJECT***

WHEREAS, the existing fencing was removed during the demolition of the waterworks building and was found to be in to deteriorated a state to re-install when the demolition was completed; and

WHEREAS, the City DPW department stores items on the property that need to be secured and the fencing will also provide a visual barrier from State Street of the items that are stored outside; and

WHEREAS, the need for the replacement of the fencing has been deemed essential as the City has begun to experience difficulties with trespass and larceny of objects stored on the property; and

WHEREAS, the bids had been solicited and received for the project prior to the issuance of Executive Order 2020-21 from Great Lakes Pet Fencing (Hart) in the amount of \$10,725, AAA Fence, LLC (Muskegon) in the amount of \$10,648 and Affordable Fence (Muskegon) in the amount of \$17,257.43 with an alternative for a 1.8 oz fence coating at a cost of \$15,124.39

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HART CITY COUNCIL:

*Accepts the bids for new chain link fencing with privacy strips at the DPW location 1010 S State Street and authorizes the acceptance of the lowest "local" bid for the project and awards the project to Great Lakes Pet Fencing of Hart in the amount of \$10,725*

*The City Manager is authorized to issue designation of the project as essential work in compliance with Executive Order 2020-21 and authorize the commencement of the project.*

Moved by Mr. Frontiera, and supported by Mr. Hegedus, and thereafter adopted by the City of Hart, Michigan City Council at a regularly scheduled meeting held on Tuesday, April 14, 2020.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of the document on file with the office of the City of Hart Clerk.



Cheri Eisenlohr, Deputy Clerk

**SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS:**

- None

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- Special/city events current status, plans for additional requirements/decisions to cancel
  - Mayor LaPorte, Mr. Hegedus, and Ms. Burillo now comprise the committee to discuss further safety measures to be taken by the City for upcoming events.
  - The City's fireworks are already purchased. There may be a larger crowd as other communities do not have their order.
- Longer-term hand washing/sanitation stations for public parks and properties
  - More stations are required for the public areas around the City, skate park, JGP, Liberty Park, the Commons.
  - Backpack sprayers will be used by DPW do spray down tables and benches.
- Alternative FY2021 Budget workshop planning due to restrictions
  - Ms. Ladner advised that she just received the new insurance premium renewal amounts.
  - Mayor LaPorte would like the Finance Committee to address the budget prior to presenting to Council.
  - Ms. Ladner will have the data ready later this month.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

- No report was given/provided.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- The new server is up and running, allowing employees to work from home.
- The City Manager has been reporting for work daily to attend to conference calls, mail, and deliveries.
- She is pleased with how the staff has reacted to the current state of affairs.
- She told Nichole Steel that she was doing an excellent job with HEART.
- Mr. Hegedus thanked Ms. Ladner for the job that she has done and in keeping the Council informed.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm, upon motion by Mr. Hegedus and supported by Mr. Frontiera. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on April 28, 2020, at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Deputy City Clerk