



**CITY OF HART
407 S. STATE ST.
HART, MI 49420
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
August 9th, 2022
MINUTES – Approved**

PRESENT: Mayor Vicki Platt, Councilors: Catalina Burillo, Jim Evans, Dean Hodges, Amanda Klotz, Fred Rybarz, and Kris Trygstad

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager – Rob Splane, City Clerk – Karla Swihart, BioPure Superintendent – Paul Cutter, DPW Superintendent – Brad Whitney, Sharon Hallack, Claudia Ressel, Don Devries (Fleis and Vandenberg), Larry Hubble (Fleis and Vandenberg), and Rick Stout (Fleis and Vandenberg).

Mayor Platt called the meeting to order; following the roll call, the mayor led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- F. Rybarz motioned to approve the agenda and was supported by C. Burillo
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

CORRESPONDENCE, EVENTS, PRESENTATIONS:

- Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project presentation – Don Devries and Rick Stout, Fleis and Vandenberg Claudia Chair of Pentwater/Hart trail, wanted to give an overall understanding of just how much it takes to be to the point we are at today. Refer to handout. **1st is a list of all completed meetings.**

**CHRONOLOGICAL LIST ALL MEETINGS COMPLETED BEFORE A
CONDITIONAL COMMITMENT OF 440,000 WAS RECEIVED FROM MDOT**

**Safe Routes to School Meeting
Pentwater Hart Trail Project**

February 13, 2018	SRTS Mtg Stan Rickard, City of Hart	
July 11, 2018	SRTS Webinar	
August 1, 2018	SRTS Mtg Mark Platt	
September 13, 2018	SRTS Mtg	
September 18, 2018	Public Hearing (at request of Oceana City Road Commission) for SRTS & Pentwater Hart Trail	
November 15, 2018	SRTS Mtg Mark Platt	
November 17, 2018	SRTS Mtg Lynne Ladner	
February 12, 2019	SRTS Mtg Hart Township/Cemetery	
February 14, 2019	SRTS Mtg with coordinator	
March 19, 2019	SRTS Mtg Hart/Hart Township/Cemetery	
April 18, 2019	SRTS Mtg	
May 10, 2019	SRTS Mtg Walking Audit	
August 29, 2019	SRTS Conference Ludington MI	
September 17, 2019	SRTS Mtg	
November 17, 2019	SRTS Mtg	
December 11, 2019	SRTS Mtg Hart Township/Cemetery	
January 6, 2020	SRTS Mtg Hart Township/Cemetery	
February 16, 2020	SRTS Mtg	
March 4, 2020	SRTS Mtg Hart Township/Cemetery	
May 12-13, 2020	SRTS Webinars	
June 8, 2020	SRTS Mark Timmer	
September 15, 2020	SRTS Mtg Hart Township/Cemetery	
October 6, 2020	SRTS Mtg Lynne Ladner	
October 19, 2020	SRTS Mtg Hart Township/Cemetery	
October 26, 2020	SRTS Mtg	
November 4, 2020	SRTS Mtg	
November 18, 2020	SRTS Mtg Colleen Synk	
November 25, 2020	SRTS Mtg	
December 4, 2020	SRTS Mtg	
January 5, 2021	SRTS Mtg Action Plan	
January 13, 2021	SRTS Mtg Hart Township	
January 26, 2021	SRTS Mtg Public Hearing	
April 30, 2021	SRTS Mtg with City of Hart (Zoom)	
May 7, 2021	SRTS Mtg with Mark Platt	
June 10, 2021	SRTS Mtg for Final Review & Submission of Grant Application	
July 7, 2021	Pending SRTS Grant Award Notice Received	
September 14, 2021	Local Agency Program Kick-off Mtg for SRTS	
November 29, 2021	SRTS Mtg with the City of Hart	
		May 6, 2022
		June 2, 2022
		July 1, 2022
		August 3, 2022
		August 8, 2022
		August 9, 2022
		August 22, 2022
		SRTS Mtg with Rob Splane
		SRTS Mtg with F & VB for SRTS
		Monthly SRTS Mtg with City of Hart – Canceled
		Monthly SRTS Mtg with City of Hart – Canceled
		SRTS Mtg with F & VB for mtg on August 9
		SRTS Mtg with the City of Hart Council Mtg.
		SRTS rescheduled mtg of July 1

Along with a list of tasks that needed to be completed to make an application for SRTS

LIST OF TASKS THAT WERE COMPLETED FOR SRTS APPLICATION

SRTS Application Completeness Check:

Act 51 Agency: _____
 School Name(s): _____

General:

- At least one grade K-8
- SRTS Registered
- Walking and Biking Audit Completed
- Surveys were administered within the past 12-18 months (contact SRTS grant coordinator if survey results are older than 18 mos.)
- Projects are prioritized by number
- Mobilization, Contingency, and Traffic Control are accounted for in the budget
- Any requests for signs are in compliance with the [MMUTCD Part 7](#)

Required Documents for Schools:

- Map of Student Homes (Contact the SRTS office for assistance in creating a map).
- Travel Tally Results
- Student Survey Reports
- Parent Survey Reports
- SRTS Action Plan
- Map of School Enrollment Area
- [School Profile & Demographics*](#)
- [Summary of SRTS Planning Process*](#)
- [Principal Letter of Support*](#): Applicant school(s) submit a letter conveying formal commitment of the organization responsible for implementing non-infrastructure activities.
- [Post-Test Evaluation Commitment*](#)
- [Non-infrastructure Project Description*](#)
- [Non-infrastructure Budget*](#)
- [Non-infrastructure Letter of Commitment from Fiduciary Organization*](#)
 1. Did the organization identified as the fiduciary submit a letter conveying formal commitment that acknowledges and agrees to the following:
 - That a contract must be in place between a selected applicant (or its designated fiduciary) and the Michigan Fitness Foundation before any expenses are eligible for reimbursement.
 - That reimbursement is initiated by the applicant/fiduciary through a reporting process, which includes a progress report, invoice, personnel expense detail, non-personnel expense detail, and all back-up documents and receipts.
 - That the reimbursement process can take up to 90 days once an accurate reporting packet is submitted.
 - That before the final reimbursement is made, a final progress report must be submitted that addresses intended outcomes, actual outcomes, lessons learned, how others can benefit from your project, and next steps for SR2S.

Required Documents for Act 51 Agency:

- Infrastructure Priorities Map
 - Submit a map that shows: 1) the location of the school(s) and 2) the location of all proposed infrastructure improvements numbered in their priority order
- Plan View Sketch
- Typical Cross Sections for each street (must include ROW and all street elements)
- Engineers Estimate (Must be in MERL format)
- Photographs of areas proposed for improvement (labeled)
- Resolution from Act 51 Agency should include:
 - Name the project
 - Pass with majority vote
 - Specify concurrence of the body in support of the proposed projects
 - The following language:
 1. Authorizes a specific employee, official, or agent to:
 - act as agent/representative on behalf of the applicant agency during project development
 - request SRTS funding
 - sign a project agreement (contract) upon receipt of a funding award
 2. Commit to being responsible for engineering for design and construction, permit fees, administration costs, potential cost overruns, and any non-participating items, etc., and
 3. Commit to owning/operating the facility constructed with SRTS funding and funding/implementing a maintenance plan/program in perpetuity or causing operations and maintenance to occur.
- Letters of support (If on MDOT trunkline, a TSC letter of support is required)
- Infrastructure Project Description* (complete one for each route proposed for improvement)
- Letter to Property Owners impacted* by construction & comments, if any (for new sidewalk/path construction only)
- List of Property Owner Addresses Impacted by Construction

Required Tabs (infrastructure applications)

- Description
- Contacts (make sure to include the Chief Elected Official & Chief Administrative Official)
- Narrative
- Budget (Infrastructure & non-infrastructure participating items of work are required)
- Schedule (follow the LAP project planning guide, engineering consultant or road agency can assist)
- Environment/Community
- Maintenance (include snow removal policy and efforts)

The last couple of pages is what is happening now.

Tasks	Task Deadline	Person Responsible	Notes
Matching Funds Certified	February 9, 2022	Claudia & John	Resolution 2021-01, completed but will need to be amended.
MDOT Form 3325	May 3		Completion should be 3-6 months prior to GI Package submit
Quarterly Report Due	April 1	Rob, John	Revised by Rob
Monthly Meeting	May 8	Rob, Claudia, John	
Monthly Meeting	June 2	Rob, Claudia, John	Rob, Claudia, John & Vii will be at meeting
Walk portions of the trail	June 3	Rob, Claudia, John	Water Street, and Main/Tyler between Plum & 72 nd RECOMMENDED
Monthly Meeting	July 1	Rob, Claudia, John	Preparation of quarterly report August 1 (Mtg might need to be rescheduled) CANCELLED
Quarterly Report Due	August 1	Rob, John	
Monthly Meeting	August 5	Rob, Claudia, John	CANCELLED
Public Hearing, per NEPA	August 9	Rob	Public Hearing with the regular City Council Meeting
Rescheduled Monthly Meeting	August 22	Rob, Claudia, John	
Complete Utility Notification & Coordination	August 22		
Prepare Section 106 Review & Submit to SHPO	August 22		
Complete all Soil Investigations & geotechnical Study	August 22		For boardwalk areas, retaining walls, proposed signal poles, & water/sewer main work
Permit & submit necessary permits	August 22		

After all issues are addressed -LAP Staff Engineer will request fund obligation.	November 21		
Quarterly Report Due	December 1	Rob, John	
Monthly Meeting	December 2	Rob, Claudia, John	
Right of Way Certified	December 5		
Project listed on Approved TRISTIP	December 15		
LAP Staff Engineer will send final bid proposal package to the MDOT Spec & Estimates (S & E)	December 20		
Monthly Meeting	January 5, 2023	Rob, Claudia, John	
Monthly Meeting	February 2	Rob, Claudia, John	
Agency/Contract Start Date	February 3	Rob	
Monthly Meeting	March 3	Rob, Claudia, John	
Construction Letting Date	March 3		
Quarterly Report Due	April 1	Rob, John	
Monthly Meeting	April 7	Rob, Claudia, John	
Monthly Meeting	May 5	Rob, Claudia, John	
Monthly Meeting	June 2	Rob, Claudia, John	
Construction Start Date	June 9		
Monthly Meeting	July 7	Rob, Claudia, John	
Quarterly Report Due	August 1	Rob, John	
Monthly Meeting	August 4	Rob, Claudia, John	
Construction END Date	September 1		
Monthly Meeting	September 8	Rob, Claudia, John	
Monthly Meeting	October 6	Rob, Claudia, John	
Monthly Meeting	November 3	Rob, Claudia, John	
Quarterly Report Due	December 1	Rob, John	

It is exciting to have an actually commitment from MDOT (Michigan Department of Transportation) as they just don't hand these out. MDOT is paying \$440,000 towards SRTS with City of Hart donating \$25,000 and Hart/Pentwater bike trail is matching all funds.

Larry with Fleis and Vanderbrink, touched base on where the bike trail is going. Hart Montague bike trail that ends on Water Street is where the Safe Routes to School trail will start and continue down Water St to Johnson St past the school and will continue a little ways on Apple and works its way over to Plum St, Tyler to 72nd Ave.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of minutes from July 26th, 2022.
- Bills, Claims, Payroll
- Reports of Boards, Commissions, and Committees
- Department Reports – Police/BioPure/Public Works/Energy/C&E Dvlp
 - A. Klotz motioned to approve Consent Agenda and supported by K. Trygstad
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

ACTION ITEMS:

- Resolution 2022-31 Authorize Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Funding
 WHEREAS, the Safe Routes to School program is a federally funded program administered in Michigan by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT); and
 WHEREAS, The City of Hart in partnership with the Hart Public Schools, the Pentwater-Hart Trail Committee and the Oceana County Road Commission, is applying for funds through MDOT for the Safe Routes to School program to construct certain infrastructure projects throughout the City, including multifunctional pedestrian/bicycling pathways and sidewalk, crossing, and signage to enable and encourage children to safely walk and bike to school; and
 WHEREAS, MDOT requires a formal commitment from the public agency that will be receiving these funds and will be implementing and maintaining these infrastructure projects.
 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL
 Authorizes Robert Splane, City Manager and Act 51 Street Administrator, to act as agent on behalf of the City seeking Safe Routes to School Funding, to act as the applicant's agent during project development, and sign a project agreement upon receipt of a funding award: and
 The City attests to the existence of, and commits to, providing in collaboration with the Pentwater-Hart Trail Committee and Oceana County the funds necessary to carry out the project (\$25,000 from the City of Hart, \$440,000 in the proposed grant funding and \$280,000 from the Pentwater-Hart Trail Committee funds) including engineering design and construction, permit fees, administration costs, cost overruns; and
 The City commits to owning, operating, funding, and implementing a maintenance program over the design life of the facilities constructed with Safe Routes to School Funding.
 - C. Burillo motioned to approve Resolution 2022-31 Approval of potential Safe Routes to School grant participation and funding confirmation and supported by J. Evans
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0
- Resolution 2022-32 Accept Department of Natural Resources Grant Award
 WHEREAS, The City of Hart owns and maintains several parks for community recreation; and
 WHEREAS, in 2017, the City of Hart acquired property adjacent to Veterans Memorial Park for the purpose of expanding the park and adding additional amenities; and
 WHEREAS, in 2019, the City of Hart applied for a Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant in the amount of \$300,000 which was subsequently awarded in 2020.
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL
 Does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement for Veteran's Memorial Park improvements project number TF20-0134 as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund, and that the City of Hart does hereby specifically agree, but not by the way of limitation, as follows;
 1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide six hundred and ninety-four thousand dollars (\$694,000) to match the grant authorized by the DNR Trust Fund
 2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the DNR Trust Fund for auditing at reasonable times.
 3. To construct the project and provide such funds, services and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
 4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
 5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution."

- C. Burillo motioned to approve Resolution 2022-32, Accept department of Natural Resources Grant Award, and supported by J. Evans
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0
- Resolution 2022-33 Accept competitive quotes for leaf vacuum and award purchase

WHEREAS, the City of Hart Department of Public Works supports residents each autumn by removing leaves raked to the street; and

WHEREAS, the current leaf vacuum is antiquated and requires constant repairs wasting valuable human resources and time at an increasing cost to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget includes the replacement of the leaf vacuum as a budgeted expense; and

WHEREAS, in order to secure the benefits of efficient self-government and to promote and protect our common interests and welfare, the City Council hereby declares;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL

Authorizes the City Manager to sign and execute all documents related to the proposed purchase of a new ODB self-contained trailer debris collector model 750VE for the lowest quoted price of \$93,446.51

Furthermore, council hereby declares the existing leaf vacuum as obsolete equipment and authorizes the City Manager to work through a public bidding system to sell the obsolete vacuum trailer in "AS-IS condition" and sign sales documents in that pursuit.

 - J. Evans motioned to approve Resolution 2022-33 Accept competitive quotes for leaf vacuum and award purchase, and supported by A. Klotz
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0
- Resolution 2022-34 Tentative award of construction contract for wastewater system improvements – Griswold Gravity Sewer

WHEREAS, the City of Hart wishes to construct improvements to its existing wastewater treatment and collection system; and

WHEREAS, the wastewater system improvements project formally adopted on May 25, 2021, will be funded through Michigan's Clean Water Revolving Fund Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hart has sought and received construction bids for the proposed improvements and has received a low bid in the amount of \$1,282,282.10 from Hallack Construction, Inc; and

WHEREAS, the project engineer, Prein&Newhof, has recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL

Tentatively awards the contract for construction of the proposed wastewater system improvement Contract-1 Griswold Sewer project to Hallack Construction, Inc. contingent upon successful financial agreement with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program.

 - A. Klotz motioned to approve Resolution 2022-34 Tentative award of construction contract for wastewater system improvements – Griswold Gravity Sewer and supported by K Trygstad.
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0
- Resolution 2022-35 Tentative award of construction contract for wastewater system improvements – Riverside and Griswold Lift Stations
- WHEREAS, the City of Hart wishes to construct improvements to its existing wastewater treatment and collection system; and
- WHEREAS, the wastewater system improvements project formally adopted on May 25, 2021, will be funded through Michigan's Clean Water Revolving Fund Program; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Hart has sought and received construction bids for the proposed improvements and has received a low bid in the amount of \$393,900.00 from Wadel Stabilization; and
- WHEREAS, the project engineer, Prein&Newhof, has recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL
- Tentatively awards the contract for construction of the proposed wastewater system improvement Contract-2 Riverside & Griswold Lift Station project to Wadel Stabilization, Inc. contingent upon successful financial agreement with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program.

- F. Rybarz motioned to approve Resolution 2022-35 Tentative award of construction contract for wastewater system improvements – Riverside and Griswold Lift Stations
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0
- Resolution 2022-36 Tentative award of construction contract for wastewater system improvements – Storage Lagoon/ Rapid Infiltration Basin Repair
- WHEREAS, the City of Hart wishes to construct improvements to its existing wastewater treatment and collection system; and
- WHEREAS, the wastewater system improvements project formally adopted on May 25, 2021, will be funded through Michigan’s Clean Water Revolving Fund Program; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Hart has sought and received construction bids for the proposed improvements and has received a low bid in the amount of \$1,177,500.00 from Greenscape General Contracting; and
- WHEREAS, the project engineer, Prein&Newhof, has recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL
- Tentatively awards the contract for construction of the proposed wastewater system improvement Contract-3 Storage Lagoon and Rapid Infiltration Basin Repair project to Greenscape General Contracting. contingent upon successful financial agreement with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program.
 - F. Rybarz motioned to approve Resolution 2022-36 Tentative award construction contract for wastewater system improvements – Storage Lagoon/Rapid Infiltration Basin Repair
 - Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0
- Resolution 2022-37 Approve Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Agreements and Documents in connection with proposed issuance of City sewer system revenue bonds, series 2022 to evidence a state clean water revolving fund loan
- WHEREAS, the City of Hart (the “City”) is proposing to sell Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 in accordance with Act 94 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1933, as amended, (the “Bonds”) in the maximum amounts of \$3,550,000, to evidence a State of Michigan Clean Water Revolving Fund loan (the “CWSRF Loan”) to fund improvements to the City Sewer System; and
 WHEREAS, the proposed Bonds are to be sold to the Michigan Finance Authority (the “Authority”) in accordance with the terms of a Purchase Contract by and between the City and the Authority (the “Purchase Contract”) in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and a Supplemental Agreement by and between the City, the Authority and the State of Michigan acting through the Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (the “Supplemental Agreement”) in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto; and
 WHEREAS, the City will also be required to execute and deliver an Issuer’s Certificate (the “Issuer’s Certificate”) to the Authority in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit C attached hereto; and
 WHEREAS, the Authority may require the City to execute and deliver a Revenue Sharing Pledge Agreement (the “Pledge Agreement”) with respect to the Bonds in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit D attached hereto.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Purchase Contract, the Supplemental Agreement, the Issuer’s Certificate, and the Pledge Agreement are hereby each approved in the forms attached hereto as Exhibits A, B, C, and D, respectively. The Mayor and City Clerk/Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City, and deliver to the Authority, the Purchase Contract, the Supplemental Agreement, and the Issuer’s Certificate in substantially the forms approved with such additions and deletions as are consistent with the terms of the Bonds and in the best interest of the City.
2. To the extent determined to be necessary by the Authority, the Mayor and City Clerk/Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City, and deliver to the Authority, the Pledge Agreement.
3. In the absence or disability of the Mayor, the Mayor Pro Tempore shall act in her stead. In the event of the absence or disability of the City Clerk/Treasurer, the Deputy shall act in her stead.
4. All resolutions or portions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

- C. Burillo motioned to approve Resolution 2022-37 Approve Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and supported by J. Evans.
 - Ayes: 7 Nays:0 Absent: 0
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- Ordinance 22-04 Bond Ordinance – Sewer System Revenue Bonds
 At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Hart, held at the City Hall, 407 S. State Street, Hart Michigan, on Tuesday, the 9th day of August 2022, at 7:30pm. Local time
 Present: Members, Catalina Burillo, Jim Evans, Dean Hodges, Fred Rybarz, Amanda Klotz, Kris Trygstad and Mayor Vicki Platt.
 Absent: None
 It was moved by Amanda Klotz and Seconded by Kris Trygstad that the following Ordinance be adopted under the authority of the Revenue Bond Act of 1933, being Act 94 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1933, as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-04

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY OF HART SEWER SYSTEM, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE SECURITY OF THE BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED, AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE TO SAID BONDS.

Upon roll call vote, the vote upon the motion adopting said Ordinance was as follows:

AYES: Catalina Burillo, Jim Evans, Dean Hodges, Fred Rybarz, Amanda Klotz, Kris Trygstad and Mayor Vicki Platt

NAYES: 0

ABSENT: 0

The City Clerk/Treasurer declared the Ordinance adopted:

(SEE FULL ORDINANCE NO. 22-04 on the City of Hart’s Website. Cityofhart.org)

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Timing of City Council Meetings.
 City Charter would need to be amended, the City Council wishes to propose time change to 6 or 6:30 meeting which in doing so would hopefully bring out more of the City Residents to attend the City Council meetings. City Manager will have resolution to amend the City Charter and present at next meeting August 23rd to City Council.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- Hanson Road Construction in process next to Department of Public Works building
- Payroll and benefits process streamlining
- City of Hart now has representation on the Oceana County Economic Alliance
- City Manager attending the MPPA board meeting Wednesday morning
- Downtown street scape design consulting bids close later this month, the TIFA board will review the submissions in September
- Wayfinding signage project bids close later this month. Submissions will be reviewed, and recommendations will be made to City Council
- Several contractors were approached to bid the demolition of the building at 227 E. Main St, and no submissions were received. (This is likely due to the City’s desired timeline to completion.) We are working to identify why the project was not desirable and will be pursuing that work as soon as possible.
- A grant was received to install distributed audio in our downtown business district. The company that supplies the proposed audio equipment is no longer filling orders. New research is being done to find a similar product, but none has been found at this point.
- Made aware Monday morning that there maybe a letter to the Editor in this week’s paper regarding the conditions Veterans Park. Which just had a meeting with the Veterans group and many concerns which is the board walk and the bricks which as of July 1st the renovations to Veterans Park are fully funded.
- Sidewalk project is set to release for public for bidding this week.

C. Burillo asked what they are bidding on? Splane explained there are several sidewalks that are in need of repair and the City along with TIFA are going to start repairing some of the worst ones completed before winter within the City limits.

- J. Evans questioned the Boy Scout cabin at John Gurney Park that needs some sort of urgency, so no one gets hurt. Also, would like an update on what the progress is with The Creeks Property, City Manager Splane happy to announce the City Closed on the property Friday for the 1st duplex and have also received a couple of offers on a couple of the single family lots offered for sale as well. J. Evans also asked for an update on the Code Enforcement Officer where is the City at on the hiring process? Splane said still waiting on a firm agreement with Shelby Village and Township partnering with the City of Hart, Plan B would be to hire a part time officer or look to contract that service, if Council wants to give some direction on how long the City should wait before moving forward on our own. Also asked about TextMyGov how is that system working out and does the City get a lot of text issues. Splane said we have a little over 600 residents signed up to receive text messages from the City and everyone seems to be happy with the updates they receive.

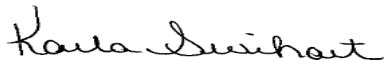
COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

- Mayor Platt thanked the department heads for their reports and also to Nichole (HEART) for the behind the scenes work she puts in, as she has done a lot of grant writing which has helped the City with a lot of projects. Grand opening at the new grocery store Hart Village Market, also thank you to those for attending the meeting for Veterans Park, based upon a letter received from a John Gurney Park camper there should be a meeting held regarding issues going on there. Hart Rotary club sent a very nice letter offered to help fund projects in the City and feel it would be worth talking to them. And lastly the city just received another donation of \$5,000 towards the Tinman.
- C. Burillo asked about the Fire Hydrants as it was brought to my attention after the fire downtown that some of the hydrants were not working. How often do the hydrants get checked and if there is an issue how do those get addressed, is there a record of the checkups and maintenance? The City has been in several conversations with the Fire Board regarding, the fire hydrants are all checked each fall, the City also checks the hydrants when it is brought to their attention they are not working and they get tagged for repairs. The Fire board did approach the City regarding the tags they apply as they are difficult to see especially at night also the City is going to put in place checking the hydrants on a more consistence bases. One last question Cat wanted to know why there are no sidewalks on State St and Polk Rd along the fairgrounds? State Street and Polk Road are both considered State Roads.
- K. Trygstad said thank you for fixing the hole in the road that was in front of her home.
- F. Rybarz also wanted to thank City Staff for all their hard work and being available to talk to during the day when there are questions to be answered.
- Appoint City of Hart Fire Board representative – John Williams
John has been a lifelong resident of the County and was a member of the Hart Area Fire Department for 25 years. Now would like to represent the Hart Fire Command Board. All Council members agreed he should represent the City of Hart.

ADJOURN:

- There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at upon a motion by C. Burillo and supported by J. Evans. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on August 23rd, 2022, at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Karla Swihart, City Clerk