



City of Hart, Michigan

H.E.A.R.T. BOARD

May 7, 2025, 2:00 PM

Hart City Hall Community Center, 407 State Street, Hart, Michigan

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
 - a. Roll Call (Scott Beal, Catalina Burillo, Sue Payne, Maria Rosas, Hannah Juhl, Noble Graham-Lattin, Andrew Mullen, Dean Hodges)
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Public Comment
4. April Minutes
5. April Financials
6. Updates/Discussion Items
 - a. Christmas Décor Committee
 - b. Chalet Market Update
 - c. Restaurant Promotional Video May 17th
 - d. Hart Historic District Discussion
7. Events
 - a. May 10 – Hart Hills Gravel Race – 8a-noon
 - b. Downtown Flower Planting – Saturday May 31, 8-10:30am
8. Member Comments
9. Next Regular Meeting Wednesday, June 4, 2025 @ 2 PM
10. Adjournment



CITY OF HART

407 S. STATE ST.

HART, MI 49420

Hart Economic and Redevelopment Team (H.E.A.R.T.)

April 2, 2025

MINUTES DRAFT

1) Call to Order

Hannah called the meeting to order at 2:06 pm.

a) Roll Call

- **Members present:** Andrew Mullen, Dean Hodges, Sue Payne, Catalina Burillo, Hannah Juhl, Scott Beal, Noble Graham-Lattin
- **Absent:** Catalina Burillo, Maria Rosas

2) Approval of Agenda – Motion by Noble, supported by Scott to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

3) Public Comments – None

4) Feb Minutes – Motion by Sue, supported by Noble to approve the February minutes. Motion carried.

5) Feb Financials – Motion by Scott, supported by Hannah to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

6) Action Items - none

7) Updates/Discussion Items

1. **Development Committee Update** – Andrew reported that the committee invited Stephanie, the ED of the Council on Aging to join their last meeting. OCCOA had been exploring senior housing options on the property behind their building but ran into issues with the water/sewer infrastructure which has stalled the project. The committee discussed identifying areas where building a home or business was a possibility and putting together a one-page summary sheet for each. Discussion continued regarding city infrastructure. Andrew shared a map that P Cutter from Biopure shared labeling all underground infrastructure. Questions 1) where do water/sewer lines end? 2) how does annexation work? 3) Does property have to be contiguous to annex? 4) how does extending services drive growth/development. Water/sewer has capacity for expansion.
2. **Christmas Décor Discussion** – Nichole shared Jami Cutter and Shelby Olson have been very interested in helping with Christmas décor decision-making – they have met w/ Nichole but no solid plans other than starting early and wrapping the trees downtown with lights came to be. Nichole suggested a separate committee to make these decisions. Noble and Hannah volunteered and Noble agreed to host at his shop. Noble wants to create a mood board – suggested heart-shaped wreaths – offered use of his machine to tie pine together for garland – and ideas of a walkable light show. Nichole offered to setup meeting and notify all interested to meet and report back.
3. **Redevelopment Ready Certification** – Nichole projected the RRC Trello system on the big screen for the board to see the requirements necessary to renew/continue redevelopment ready certification. Nichole shared that she spent months preparing for end of year renewal (when Hart's 5 yr certification was set to expire). After providing an overview, Nichole shared emails to the city manager asking for items to be reviewed and/or included on the city council agendas that date back to October, with no response. On March 28th the MEDC notified the city that they could not be recertified. This brings into question whether the two Match on Main grants Nichole has due the following Monday will be eligible. City Council Members Andrew and Dean agreed to reach out to the city manager to see about getting the necessary items on the agenda.
4. **Historic District, Historic Preservation Group Discussion** – board discussed confusion as to what HEART's role is with this project. It was initially requested by the city manager that HEART be the acting board for the HHPG. Nichole added that if HEART was now the governing board that we're

going to need bylaws, financials, and our own minutes to review monthly. This could still happen within the HEART meeting but the board needs clarity on what the expectation is.

8) Events,

- a) **April 9** - Radiant Church Open House noon-1pm
- b) **April 19** – Easter Egg Hunt noon-1p
- c) **April 26** – Celebrate Trails Day 9a-3p
- d) **May 10** – Hart Hills Gravel Race 8a-noon

9) Member comments

10) Adjournment –Motion by Scott, supported by Hannah to adjourned at 3:17 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nichole Kleiner