



**CITY OF HART
407 S. STATE ST.
HART, MI 49420
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 27, 2018, 7:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Ron LaPorte, Councilors: Joe Frontiera, Steve Hegedus, Rob Splane, and Vicki Platt.

ABSENT: Jason La Fever and Patrice Martin

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager – Lynne Ladner, City Attorney – Julie Springstead, Main Street Manager – Julie Kreilick, Police Chief – Juan Salazar, Energy Department Superintendent – Mike Schiller, DPW Superintendent – Brad Whitney, BioPure Superintendent – Paul Cutter and Deputy Clerk - Cheri Eisenlohr. See attached list for others in attendance.

Mayor LaPorte called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., following the roll call, Boy Scout Troop 1155 lead the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Mr.Hegedus to approve the agenda and supported by Mr. Splane. The minutes from November 13, 2018, regular meeting, were approved with amendments reflecting committee/board positions: Patrice Martin will be on Police, Zoning Board of Appeals and Neglected Properties, Vicki Platt will be on Police, Library and Water/BioPure Board, Steve Hegedus will be on Finance/Personnel, Cemetery and Neglected Properties, motioned by Mr. Frontiera and supported by Mr. Hegedus. All ayes, both motions were carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, EVENTS, PRESENTATIONS:

The boy scouts of Troop 1155 introduced themselves to the Council. Four members of the troop were there to earn their Citizenship and Community Badge.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- ▶ BioPure Superintendent, Paul Cutter:
 - Mr. Cutter asked for a moment of silence to honor the five year passing of Mark Lee.
 - Mr. Cutter presented a demonstration on blowers and membranes and how both need to be replaced at the facility. The blowers would save a considerable amount in electricity cost over time, and the membranes will need to be replaced from here on out on a four-year basis. The membranes are dependent on the blowers and are getting worn out. Therefore, three blowers need to be run instead of the normal two. It will take five weeks to change out the membranes.
- ▶ Police Chief, Juan Salazar:
 - At the end of October, the department was approved to purchase three bulletproof vests; the program pays up to half the cost (\$800.00).
 - Friday, November 23, the department assisted with the Christmas Parade. There were no issues.
- ▶ DPW Superintendent, Brad Whitney:
 - Water/Electric Meters.
 - Winterizing the water towers at a lower level and winterizing the wells.
 - Miss Dig reports are down.
 - Summer equipment has been winterized and stored away.
 - Cold patching continues.
 - Plows have been put into place.
 - Sewer main on Church Street has been replaced, hope to have it paved yet this year.
 - Dirt roads have been graded.
 - The parking lot signs were changed for winter plowing purposes.
 - Christmas Decorations have been installed.
 - PFAS literature was distributed, the water is being checked due to health concerns.

- Leaves are still being picked up until the weather prevents it. The vacuum machine is old and is breaking down frequently.
- ▶ Energy Superintendent – Mike Schiller:
 - Empire Roofing has started work on the new roof and is about a quarter of the way done.
 - There were outages on the North Circuit a week ago as well as last night; an investigation is underway to determine the cause.
 - The new digger should be here in December.
- ▶ Mainstreet Manager, Julie Kreilick:
 - Last Saturday was a success with the parade and the volunteer day events.
 - The Market Place is open at 18 S. State St., for December.
 - Small Business Saturday went well for the downtown businesses.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES:

None

BILLS, CLAIMS, PAYROLL:

Ms. Ladner pointed out the following invoices to the attention of the Council:

- \$15,563.00 – Kiser Hydro
- \$15,000.00 – Hart Lake Board
- \$213.50 – Villadsen Tree Farm

Bills totaled: \$112,055.47

A motion was made by Mr. Splane and supported by Mr. Frontiera to approve bills, claims and payroll in the amount stated.

Ayes: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2

ACTION ITEMS:

City Manager, Lynne Ladner presented the following:

No Action Items Were Presented

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT:

- ▶ Downtown Hart Farmers Market – Summer Schedule
 - Mr. Frontiera made a motion to approve the permit, Mr. Splane supported the motion, all ayes, the motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

No Discussion Items

CITY MANAGER REPORT:

- ▶ Ms. Ladner apologized for not having the packets sent out on Friday as she was suffering from the flu.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT:

- ▶ None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

- ▶ Power Board Resignation and Appointment
 - Bill Volpp, resignation
 - Gayle Forner, Appointment
 - Mr. Hegedus made a motion to accept Mr. Volpp’s resignation and Mr. Forner’s appointment, Ms. Platt supported the motion, all ayes, the motion carried.
- ▶ Mr. Splane advised the board that the Oceana Players would be at an open house in the Historic District on Saturday at 4:00 pm.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Hegedus and supported by Mr. Frontiera. The next regular meeting is December 11, 2018, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cheri Eisenhardt".

Deputy City Clerk