

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City of Hillsdale
June 20, 2022
7:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Adam Stockford opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Mayor Adam Stockford called the meeting to order. Clerk Price took roll call.

Council Members present:	Adam Stockford, Mayor R Greg Stuchell, Ward 1 Anthony Vear, Ward 1 William Morrissey, Ward 2 Cynthia Pratt, Ward 2 Bruce Sharp, Ward 3 Bill Zeiser, Ward 3 Raymond Briner, Ward 4 Robert Socha, Ward 4
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Council Members absent:	None
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Also Present: David Mackie (City Manager), Attorney John Lovinger, Katy Price (City Clerk), Jason Blake (DPS Director), Scott Hephner (HCPD/HCFD), Penny Swan, Stephanie Myers, Dennis Wainscott, Mark Nichols, Doug Bradshaw, Sheri Ingles, Doug Ingles and Ted Jansen.

Approval of Agenda

City Manager Mackie requested to add New Business item D. Amended General Appropriation Act Resolution, Council Member Socha requested to remove Communications item C. Socha Email: Unmarked Police Cars and Council Member Sharp requested to add New Business item E. Roberts Rules of Order- Discussion to the agenda.

Motion by Council Member Sharp, Seconded by Council Member Morrissey to add New Business item D. Amended General Appropriation Act Resolution and add New Business item E. Roberts Rules of Order- Discussion and strike Communications item C. Socha Email: Unmarked Police Cars.

By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Vear, seconded by Council Member Morrissey to approve the agenda as amended.

By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Bills
 1. City and BPU Claims of June 2, 2022: \$1,120,111.50
 2. Payroll of May 26, 2022: \$168,045.34
June 9, 2022: \$175,254.32
- B. City Council Minutes of June 6, 2022

- C. Finance Minutes of March 7, 2022, March 21, 2022
- D. Planning Commission Minutes of May 18, 2022
- E. Code Enforcement Lein Special Assessment Roll
- F. Assessing Department 2022 Summer Tax Warrant Report

Motion by Council Member Socha, seconded by Council Member Morrissey to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll call:

Council Member Stuchell	Aye
Council Member Morrissey	Aye
Mayor Stockford	Aye
Council Member Vear	Aye
Council Member Sharp	Aye
Council Member Zeiser	Aye
Council Member Socha	Aye
Council Member Pratt	Aye
Council Member Briner	Aye

Motion passed 9-0

Communications/Petitions

- A. Comcast Letter
- B. Council Member Socha Email: Noise Complaint
- C. Ted Jansen Letter

Police Chief Hephner reported on Noise Complaint

Council Discussion ensued on the noise complaint issue.

Ted Jansen read his Letter aloud on the parks and mentioned the need for a Parks Committee.

All items presented for the purpose of information only.

Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances/Public Hearings

Old Business

- A TEDF-B Grant Revised Resolution

City Manager Mackie reported the City received feedback from the Michigan Department of Transportation – Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) regarding our application submittal for 2023 TEDF - B grant funds. They requested a revised “Resolution of Support” from our governing body with a listing of the streets slated for work should we obtain this grant.

Approval of the revised resolution will allow staff to re-submit the grant application for consideration.

Motion by Council Member Socha, seconded by Council Member Briner to approve the revised resolution of support. **Resolution #3507.**

By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- A. Pearl Tree LLC Land Division

City Manager Mackie reported the owner of parcel number 30-006-426-354-14, located at 100 Budlong St. would like to divide a narrow strip from the south of the existing lot and combine it with parcel number 30-006-426-354-13, located adjacent at 96 Budlong St. in order to create a designated drive. The City ordinance requires that platted lots may only be divided after review and

permission has been granted by the Assessor, Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission and City Council. The Zoning Administrator and Assessor recommend approval. The Planning Commission reviewed the application at their regular meeting on June 15, 2022.

Motion by Council Member Morrissey, seconded by Council Member Stuchell to approve the land division as presented.

By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

B. MSCPA Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation

David Mackie, City Manager stated Union City has been working for many months to formally separate, as a member, from MSCPA. The separation process is formally complete. Upon separation MSCPA's Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation need to be updated. They have been on file with the City since May 16, 2022 and we have received no comments.

Motion by Council Member Socha, seconded by Council Member Vear to approve the amended MSCPA bylaws and Articles of Corporation.

Roll call:

Council Member Stuchell	Aye
Council Member Morrissey	Aye
Mayor Stockford	Aye
Council Member Vear	Aye
Council Member Sharp	Aye
Council Member Zeiser	Aye
Council Member Socha	Aye
Council Member Pratt	Aye
Council Member Briner	Aye

Motion passed 9-0

C. Karla Adams FOIA Appeal

City Manager Mackie stated that Karla Adams is appealing her Freedom of Information Act information and requests her fees be returned.

Mrs. Adams reviewed her FOIA request she submitted and information she received on the BPU Round Up program with Council.

Council discussion ensued on the time spend searching for the information she requested and policy that didn't exist.

Motion by Council Member Sharp, seconded by Council Member Socha to deny the FOIA appeal.

By a voice vote, 8 ayes 1 nay.

Roll call:

Council Member Stuchell	Aye
Council Member Morrissey	Aye
Mayor Stockford	Nay
Council Member Vear	Aye
Council Member Sharp	Aye
Council Member Zeiser	Aye
Council Member Socha	Aye
Council Member Pratt	Nay
Council Member Briner	Aye

Motion passed 7-2

D. Amended General Appropriation Act Resolution July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

City Manager Mackie reported on that the revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year, commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, will need amended on a departmental and fund total basis as follows:

	Revenues	Expenditures
General Fund (Fund 101)	-	64,000
Police	-	27,000
Fire		37,000
Recreation Fund (Fund 208)	18,804	15,804

Motion by Council Member Vear, seconded by Council Member Pratt to approve the amended General Appropriation Resolution. **Resolution 3508.**

Roll call:

Council Member Stuchell	Aye
Council Member Morrisey	Aye
Mayor Stockford	Aye
Council Member Vear	Aye
Council Member Sharp	Aye
Council Member Zeiser	Aye
Council Member Socha	Aye
Council Member Pratt	Aye
Council Member Briner	Aye

Motion passed 9-0

E. Roberts Rule of Order –Discussion

Council Member Sharp led discussion on the Roberts Rules of Order, he discussed the last meeting as it was problematic and doesn't want to see that happening again moving forward.

Further Council discussion ensued on the Rules of Order.

No action taken.

Miscellaneous Reports

A. Proclamation – None

B. Appointments- Library Board – Stephanie Myers
~~Airport Advisory Committee – Jordan Adams~~
 Reappointments- Economic Development Corporation – Sam Waldvogel
 Tax Increment Finance Authority – Cindy Bieszk, Darin Speith, Greg Stuchell

Mayor Stockford asked to remove Mr. Adams from the appointment section as he has not received confirmation of the appointment for the Airport Advisory Committee.

Motion by Council Member Socha, seconded by Council Member Pratt to approved the appointments as presented.

By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

B. Other – None

General Public Comment

Penny Swan apologized for speaking out of turn at the last meeting.

Mark Nichols, Adams Township, commented on the BPU Round Up program. Thanked Mrs. Adams on bringing the topic to light. Nichols also spoke on the Domestic Harmony Service Agreement.

Dennis Wainscott, Garden St. commented on the BPU Round Up program as well as the FOIA appeal and asked Council to review a percentage refund.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Mackie reported on a Tristate Excursion Train Tour coming to Hillsdale from Edon, Ohio on August 27th and 28th, 2022.

Three Meadows Lot was sold recently, there are currently two lots available. The City closed sales in the Manufacturing and Technology Park.

Movies in the Park was on Friday wasn't the best attended. The next one is July 8th, start time is at 9:45p.m.

Sandy Beach is opening tomorrow, June 21, 2022 officially. Had some staffing issues that delayed opening.

Council Comments

Council Member Socha railroad tour the Rotary is working hard on helping make the event successful for the City. Socha spoke on Mrs. Adams FIOA Appeal.

Council Member Sharp asked about the Council meeting on July 5, 2022. He stated he is officially retired from his job.

Council Member Briner thanked the BPU, DPS and local Fire crew with the down powerline due to storms.

Mayor Stockford commented that young family are moving to Hillsdale.

Council Member Vear stated the WCSR Rib Cookout event was a good event at the Fairgrounds over the past weekend. 20+ contestants and bands participated.

Adjournment

Motion by Council Member Sharp, seconded by Council Member Briner moved to adjourn the meeting.

By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.



Adam L. Stockford, Mayor



Katy Price, City Clerk