City of Hart, Michigan
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
September 12, 2023, 7:30 PM
407 State St. – Council Chamber
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call – Adams, Burillo, Evans, Hodges, Klotz, Trygstad, Platt
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Public Comments – **Public comment on any matter other than a scheduled public hearing. We ask that you please limit your comments to 3 minutes.**
    a. Correspondence, Events, Presentations
        i. Community Listening Session – Mural artist listening session Hugo Claudin
6. Consent Agenda:
    a. Approval of Minutes from August 8, 2023 Council meeting.
    b. Bills, Claims, Payroll
    c. Reports of Boards, Commissions, and Committees
    d. Department Reports – Police/BioPure/Public Works/Energy/♥C&E Dvlp.
7. Action Items
    a. Mayoral Appointment – Cynthia Fout – Planning Commission
8. Discussion Items
    a. Review of 2023 City Council Retreat with updates on identified projects
9. City Manager Report
10. Communications from the Mayor and Council (Including board and committee updates.)
11. Adjournment –

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COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSION

with Grand Rapids mural artist Hugo Claudin

HELP US CREATE A MURAL

Join us for a listening session with Grand Rapids Mural Artist, Hugo Claudin!

Hugo will be painting a mural on the north side of LaFiesta Restaurant that depicts the stories and lived experiences of our immigrant and migrant workers.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! The purpose of the mural is to celebrate and honor our Hispanic culture, contributions, and stories in our community. Join the meeting to share your experiences with the artist & inspire him as he creates a large mural for downtown!

Sunday, Sept. 10th @ 3:00 PM
Tuesday, Sept. 12th @ 6:00 PM
ONLINE TEAMS MEETING

Join by using QR Code or link below:
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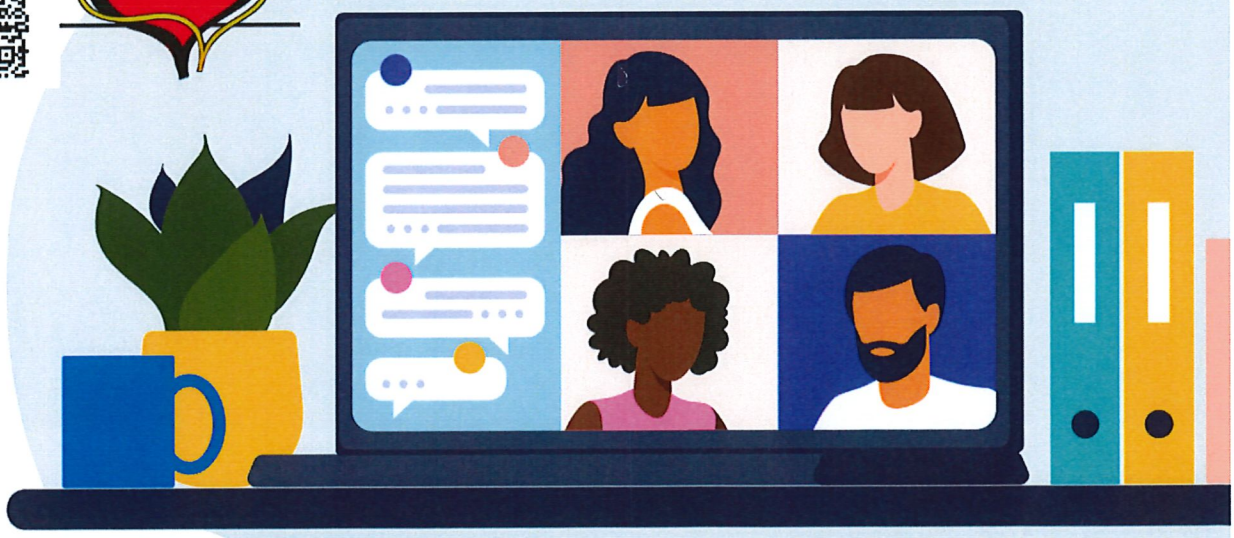

CITY OF HART
407 S. STATE ST.
HART, MI 49420
SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL - COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
August 8th, 2023
MINUTES – Draft

PRESENT: Councilors: Mayor Vicki Platt, Catalina Burillo, Dean Hodges, Amanda Klotz, and Kris Trygstad
ABSENT: Justin Adams and Jim Evans
OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager – Rob Splane, City Clerk – Karla Swihart, DPW Superintendent – Brad Whitney, Energy Superintendent – Mike Schiller, Paul Erickson, Sharon Hallack, and John Cavanagh

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- A. Klotz motioned to approve the agenda and was supported by K. Trygstad
  - Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Paul Erickson, 7350 N 128th ave
  The County fair will begin again early this year with the Elliotts bring the carnival on Wednesday Aug 16th for four days, with Micro wrestling being held Saturday and will start up again for Fair Week. Fair week begins Aug 21st with haul in of both large and small animals, Harness racing will begin as well, and a full week of sights sounds and fun. Also Oceana Echo is located downtown Mears at the old township hall.

CORRESPONDENCE, EVENTS, PRESENTATIONS:

- i. State of michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Administrative consent Order – Historical Review Presentation.
  The Hart Hyrdo Electric Project (Hart Dam) was first constructed in 1927
  The Pentwater river was designated a "Cold Water Fishery" by the DNR in 1997
  In or about 2003 The DEQ engaged the City in discussions regarding non-compliance.
  Does the City have responsibility for water temperatures downstream of the Hart Dam?
  To operate a hydro-electric dam requires a FERC license.
  The FERC license requires that the city seek a "401 Certification" issued by the DEQ.
  The 401 Certification requires the City to meet water quality standards such as those dictating Cold-Water Fishery standards.Over 7-8 years, the City worked with the DEQ to allow time to provide some due diligence. This work included several years of City funded water quality monitoring. The City worked with consultants and engineers to establish a set of ideas that may help to address the water quality issues. In December 2012, City Council chose to authorize City staff to enter into negotiations rather than have an "order" imposed on the City.
  After over two years of negotiation, the final ACO was approved by EGLE and agreed to by the City effective February 2015.
  Legal Input
  At the time the ACO was entered into, Varnum Law City Attorney Matthew Zimmerman descrbed to City Council two available options:
  1 – Sign the ACO, at the time Mr. Zimmerman believed that the terms offered in the proposed ACO were as lenient as they would get.
  1 – Reject the ACO, be prepared to do one or more of the following:
  A: Defend a DEQ enforcement action – the DEQ would likely issue a Notice of Violation (NOV) and a civil fine. The civil fine would cover administrative costs and action by the attorney general. A corrective action plan would be established by the state with their terms.

B: Remove the turbines – If the City stops generating electricity, the 401 certification would not be necessary. (renewable energy portfolio, increased electric rates, water temp, "PART 31")
C: Remove the Dam – The DEQ believes the impoundment is the source of the increased water temperatures. The DEQ would support this option. Water sediment and flow controls would need to be established. Costly legal actions would ensue.
D: Reclassify the Pentwater River as a Warm Water Fishery – The DNR Director would need to reclassify the stream as part of Part 487 authority. This effects many other fishing regulations aside from temperature.
E: Bring contribution actions against other contributors – establish liability of others. Property owners , taxpayers, industries, farmers, electric customers, employers, and litigate against them.
F: Hope the ambient air temperature drops – The "do nothing" option. Argue that past violations were abnormal weather conditions. Enforecement action is subject to a statute of limitations period (likely 5 years). The City would still likely be required to adopt a long-term plan to lower the temperature if accepted.

Monitoring and Temperatures

Table 6
1999 - 2000, 2004 - 2022 Climate Data
Monthly Average Air Temperature

Month	Average Historic Monthly Temp. 1999-2000,2004-2021	1999	2000	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
	Degrees Fahrenheit																					
July	70.0	72.0	68.2	66.7	69.8	72.0		69.8	63.9	73.4	73.4	75.2	69.0	64.3	68.2	71.4	68.7	70.8	71.2	72.8	68.9	70.0
August	68.4	66.7	70.5	62.4	68.4	69.8	69.8	66.7	71.6	71.6	69.8	68.4	66.5	64.6	67.6	71.5	65.5	70.0	66.2	69.1	70.8	68.1
September	62.8			64.0	64.0	58.0									65.5	65.4	63.5	62.6	63.1	59.4	62.6	61.9

Table 7
2004 - 2022 Climate Data
Total Monthly Rainfall

Month	Historic Monthly Rainfall (inches) 2004 – 2021	2004 (inches)	2005 (inches)	2006 (inches)	2008 (inches)	2009 (inches)	2010 (inches)	2011 (inches)	2012 (inches)	2013 (inches)	2014 (inches)	2015 (inches)	2016 (inches)	2017 (inches)	2018 (inches)	2019 (inches)	2020 (inches)	2021 (inches)	2022 (inches)
July	3.13	2.01	4.33	5.96	2.84	0.97	4.25	2.52	4.8	2.47	1.15	2.82	4.39	2.51	1.86	2.36	3.29	4.75	5.6
August	2.74	2.87	2.94	0.33	1.9	3.83	3.09	1.9	1.16	2.24	1.91	1.93	1.33	2.44	5.95	4.68	3.6	4.51	5.51
September	2.98	0.65	5.07	3.86								2.23	5.54	0.79	4.06	4.11	1.57	1.91	2.71

Table 8
Temperature Standards
R323.1075

Month	Warm Water (1) Fishery Max. Temperature	Coldwater (2) Fishery Max. Temperature
July	83°F (28°C)	68°F (20°C)
August	81°F (27°C)	68°F (20°C)
September	74°F (23°C)	63°F (17°C)

Table 9
Average Monthly Water Temperature Monitoring

Month	1999 (°F)	2000 (°F)	2004 (°F)	2005 (°F)	2006 (°F)	2007 (°F)	2008 (°F)	2009 (°F)	2010 (°F)	2011 (°F)	2012 (°F)	2013 (°F)	2014 (°F)	2015 (°F)	2016 (°F)	2017 (°F)	2018 (°F)	2019 (°F)	2020 (°F)	2021 (°F)	2022 (°F)	Cold Water Fishery Water Quality Standard (°F)
Downstream South Branch Pentwater River (72nd Ave) (formerly designated as Site A)																						
July		66.8	68.5	72.3	73	N/A[3]	69.2	68.4	73.6	71.2	75.6	71.8	69.8	69.7	73.8	70.8	73.6	72.5	74.1	71.8	72.7	68
August		67.8	67.4	70.9	72.2	71.2	71	69.9	73.2	71.6	70.9	68	69.8	70.6	73.2	69.2	71.8	70.6	71.7	73.2	69.6	68
September			66.9	68.5	64.4									66.4	68.3	65.2	66.8	65.8	64.4	67.1	66.4	63
Chippewa Creek Main Street (formerly designated as Site F)																						
July			N/A[1]	71.4	70.8	N/A[3]	69.2	66.6	73.7	72.8	74.8	70.8	67.1	70.1[2]	71.9	69.7	71.8	68.7	70.1	70.1	71.4	68
August			65.32	69.4	70.1	72.5	68.9	67.6	72.4	70.6	69.2	67.6	67.5	68.8	70.7	66.5	69.4	68.2	68.4	70.9	68.9	68
September			63.9	66.4	60.3									64.8	65.3	63.9	63.4	63.7	60.4	64.0	64.0	63
Chippewa Creek (Oceana Drive)																						
July						N/A[3]						60.6	59.8	62.2[2]	62.9	62	63	63.0	64.8	62.6	63.5	68
August						62.4						59.2	59.8	60.8	62.5	60.1	63	61.1	62.4	63.2	63.4	68
September														59.4	60.1	57.7	60.6	60.3	56.8	58.4	58.5	63
Russell Creek Diesel Plant (formerly designated as Site E)																						
July			N/A[1]	73.9	72.6	N/A[3]	72.2	68.6	75.7	74.9	77.5	72.8[4]	71.4[4]	73.1[2]	73.3	72	76.6	75.1	77.1	72.8	74.7	68
August			68	72.8	71.7	70.9	72.5	70.1	73.7	72.2	71.6	68.9[4]	71.6[4]	70.9	73	70	73.3	71.1	72.1	74.9	72.0	68
September				69.1										66.7	66.8	66.7	65.9	64.8	63.5	66.8	66.8	63
Russell Creek (High School)																						
July												61.7	57	57.5[2]	60.7	58.1	57.4	57.8	58.2	58.7	59.0	68
August												62.4	56.9	56.9	57.5	56.9	58	57.4	57.0	59.7	58.4	68
September														55.9	57.3	54.6	57	56.9	54.7	56.0	55.2	63

Table 9.1
Average Temperature (°F) Comparison
Upstream vs. Downstream

Location	July	August	Sept.
Upstream Pentwater (Peterson)	66.7	64.5	59.7
72nd Avenue (Downstream)	72.7	69.6	66.4
Difference	6.0	5.1	6.7

Table 9.2
Hourly Temperature Comparison
Upstream and Downstream

	Location					
	72nd Avenue Bridge (Downstream)			Peterson Property (Upstream)		
Month	Number of Temperature Readings	Number of Temperature Readings Above Standard	Percentage of Samples Not Meeting Temperature Standard	Number of Temperature Readings	Number of Temperature Readings Above Standard	Percentage of Samples Not Meeting Temperature Standard
Jul-22	744	744	100%	744	221	30%
Aug-22	744	513	69%	744	66	9%
Sep-22	720	599	83%	720	200	28%

Table 10
Continuous Dissolved Oxygen Monitoring Summary

		Upstream (Peterson)		*Downstream (72nd Avenue)*	
Month	***Min Daily Avg. D.O. Standard (mg/L)***	***Min Daily D.O. (mg/L)***	***# of Days less than D.O. Standard***	***Min Daily D.O. (mg/L)***	***# of Days less than D.O. Standard***
July	7	1.0	5	4.7	30
August	7	6.57	0	2.3	31
September	7	6.9	2	2.8	30

Table 10.1
Hourly Dissolved Oxygen Monitoring Summary

	Location					
	72nd Avenue Bridge (Downstream)			Peterson Property (Upstream)		
Month	Number of DO Readings	Number of DO Readings Below Standard (7mg/L)	Percentage of Samples Not Meeting DO Standard	Number of DO Readings	Number of DO Readings Below Standard (7mg/L)	Percentage of Samples not Meeting DO Standard
Jul-22	744	358	48%	744	36	5%
Aug-22	744	656	88%	744	0	0%
Sep-22	720	665	92%	720	9	1%

Table 11
Days Less Than Standard DO

Month	***2004***	***2005***	***2006***	***2015***	***2016***	***2017***	***2018***	***2019***	***2020***	***2021***	***2022***
July	0	14	11	16	20	20	31	20	30	22	30
August	0	31	19	25	31	25	31	28	31	31	31
September	3	13	20	28	30	28	28	26	18	28	30

As part of the Long-Term Plan, the City of Hart proposed to conduct a Water Quality Improvemens and Feasibility Study to evalute the feasibility of potentail improvements that could be implemented to achieve temperature and D.O. standards at the Pentwater River downstream monitoring location.

The Following alternatives were considered:

Ground water discharge to Pentwater River;

Removal of restrictions on Russell Creek;

Removal of restriction on Chippewa Creek;

Dredging sediment and removing dam remnant from Hart Lake impoundment;
Employment of storm water best management practices (BMPs) for temperature reduction;
Delivery of hypolimnic water from the Hart Lake Impoundment into the Pentwater River
Including a combined alternative which blends groundwater with hypolimnic water; and
A Hart Lake bypass
Mechanical Aeration at the Hart Dam Tailrace

Each alternative as evaluated for the following:

Technical feasibility;
Ability to meet water quality standards at downstream monitoring point;
Probable construction costs and ongoing operation and maintenance expenses;
Adbantages and disadvantages; and
{Permitting requirements.

The ONLY alternative considered that can meet the water quality standards is the bypass of Hart Lake. However, the cost of this alternative at over $16,000,000 makes it economically infeasible for the City.

And now

Each year, the City performs water quality monitoring at multiple points above and below the Hart Dam
The City also performs annual dam safety monitoring
All results are shared with the State and Federal Government to keep the City in licensing compliance with required reporting.
May 25, 2023, a representative from FERC came to Hart to perform a project structure safety inspection. No deficiencies were observed that require immediate action and the Hart Dam passed with flying colors. Some housekeeping items were sidcussed and agreed to upon by the City including remobal of a large tree and some vegetation near the dam.
June 8, 2023, EGLE filed a letter with FERC identifying that between 2005 and 2003, the number of daily exceedances in water temperature had increased. EGLE concludes the letter asking FERC to investigate and remediate ongoing compliance issues.
June 22,2023, the City called a meeting incliuding representatives from Mika Meyer, City attorney, Lawson Fisher, City environmental consultant, and Prein and Newhof, City engineer to discuss the appropriate response to FERC and EGLE accordingly. It was determined that a meeting with EGLE to discuss the ACO is appropriate. To date the City has made great strides in adhering to the Administrative Consent Order and implemented several projects to help reduce the temperature issues the impoundment may pose. [reference 2022 progress report #7], these steps have had little effect on the goals set in the ACO. The meeting with EGLE will be to review the order, projects completed to date, and discussion on future goals/priorities.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of minutes from July 25th, 2023.
- Bills, Claims, Payroll
- Reports of Boards, Commissions, and Committees
- Department Reports – Police/BioPure/Public Works/Energy/C&E Dvlp
    - C. Burillo motioned to approve Consent Agenda and supported by A. Klotz
        - Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

ACTION ITEMS:

- Resolution 2023- 37 Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Amendment
  WHEREAS, the City Council may amend the annual budget to reflect changes in purchasing patterns or revised objectives; and
  WHEREAS, during year end review, City accountants found a conflict in the action of a previous budget amendment regarding the ability to transfer ACT51 road funding from major street to local street use; and
  WHEREAS, this conflict creates a fund deficit in the local streets fund due to State restricted funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to secure the benefits of efficient self-governance and to promote and protect our common interests and welfare; and
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL

Amends the FY2023 Annual Budget as follows:
1 – Transfer of $105,000 from Major Street Fund to Local Street Fund

- C. Burillo motioned to approve Resolution 2023-37 and supported by K. Trygstad
  - Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

- Resolution 2023-38 Resolution to Cancel August 22nd, 2023, Council Meeting
  WHEREAS, the second Council meeting in August is scheduled for August 22nd; and
  WHEREAS, the City manager has a commitment to travel with friends and family as approved by City council during the time of the normal City council meeting; and
  WHEREAS, Council will plan to hold a special meeting on August 15th at _____time if there are action items for the agenda at that special meeting or other City business to be discussed; and
  WHEREAS, as written in the City charter, the Clerk shall call a special meeting at any time by the written request of the Mayor or any tow members of the Council on at least twelve hours of written notice delivered to all Council members and posted to the general public; and
  WHEREAS; the City Council desires to secure the benefits of efficient self-governance and to promote and protect our common interests and welfare; and
  NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

  The City Council's regularly scheduled August 22, 2023, meeting is cancelled unless reinstated by request of two Council members or the Mayor to complete urgent business

  - C. Burillo motioned to approve Resolution 2023-34 and supported by A. Klotz
    - Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- City Manager Performance Review – review
  Overall, pleased with the evaluation. Regarding our current 1-5 performance scale, striving 5's, celebrate 4's, and can be satisfied with 3's, The 2's are defined as areas that need improvement, I take these very seriously and will be working to identify those concerns and improve on those areas that can use it.
  It has been a very fast paced two years with some significant challenges. Between the excellent City staff, we have in place and the strong support from the Council, those challenges have all been met with good success.
  In reviewing both 2018 and 2021 job postings for Hart City Manager, three goals were listed as priority goals:
  1. Spur new housing development.
     A. The City has helped to facilitate construction of 6 new dwellings with an additional 4 currently underway. The developer has committed to build an additional 14 units pending required zoning changes.
     B. TIFA has committed to redeveloping the site formerly used as the North Central Co-op and then Ceres Solutions on Main Street. This likely mixed-use development will likely offer opportunities to address our current housing shortage. By using our new County Brownfield Authority, we can leverage tax dollars into a project that will be attractive to developers. One developer has already reached out with interest in the site.
     C. A new investor has committed to renovate four second story rental units downtown as part of a $400,000 investment. Seeking middle to upper-middle income residents.
  2. Review options to plan for sustainable infrastructure maintenance.
     A. The City has purchased and began to implementing use of fixed asset tracking that integrates with our BS&A software platform. As the City continues to replace capital assets, they are entered into this tracking software to plan for future expenses decades into the future.
     B. The City has been certified by the Michigan Infrastructure Council into the Asset Management Champion Program. This program allows the City access to a statewide database that tracks planned projects by any entity that may be doing work on, under, or adjacent to Michigan public rights-of-way. As this program grows, we will see savings in coordinating projects with other entities.

C. More aggressive review of Capital Improvement Projects and utility rates will also help to align on-going maintenance and system improvements with yearly budgeting. Overall reducing the occurrence of surprises.

3. Tackle blight and code enforcement issues.
   A. After spending over a year working with local public entities in an effort to establish a mutual code enforcement department, the focus was made locally to launch a self-funded program in coordination with the Hart Police Department. Enforcement efforts began in June of 2023 with more structure to be added in September when a new officer will join the department allowing for more flexible scheduling in the property maintenance code enforcement area.
   B. Training will take place to certify a rental inspector prior to implementation of a City rental inspector certification program.

My Goals for this year are;

- Better manage unrestricted general fund balance to better cushion that fund in case of a catastrophic event.
- Increased active management of City staff to help facilitate professional growth and maximize labor costs.
- Re-focus on City efficiency and continuous improvement efforts. WE need to continue to ask, "Why do we do it this way?", or "Is there a better way?". I am seeking to reduce waste by 10% across all departments. Waste can be defined in many ways including inefficient use of time/effort, underutilized talent/skills, unnecessary movement (email instead of hand delivery or have the scanner at your desk instead of in the next room), unnecessary spending, reducing utility costs, consolidation of spaces or work tools, ext.
- Continue to clarify the budget process and provide more financial transparency.
- Increase efforts to become a more diverse and inclusive public entity. Our town has a lot of talented and interesting residents that can bring value to our community. We need to continue to find new ways to help engage them and continue to build on our community pride!

I am happy to serve as your City Manager, thank you for your confidence. Let's keep up the good work and make this a great year!

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

UPDATES:

- The Great Lakes Packing tour was well represented by City Council.
- Audit scheduled for early September.
- Griswold Street and Polk Rd utility Improvements projects have begun. Griswold Street is the first phased closure. Prein and Newhof are maintaining a website for construction updates.
- Weekly Thursdays on Main – 6pm Makers Market and Main Street Market opens. Music – 7pm.
- Attendance of MPPA Board of Directors meeting tomorrow morning in Lansing.
- Attending the National Brownfield Conference in Detroit, to train on opportunities available to support redevelopment projects in Hart. Only the second time the conference has been in Michigan in over 25years.
- MMRMA grant awards of over $11,000 are expected this month, reimbursing the City for 50%-70% of qualifying training and security expenses over the past year. More grants are inline for financial support this fiscal year.
- Next Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, I will be attending the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority annual meeting. It is always packed with applicable information that helps us to reduce our liabilities and better plan for inevitable losses and damage. The MMRMA functions similar to a mutual insurance company owned by it's members. Each year the City of Hart is a member, we qualify for a larger refund from the state pool account. This year the City was awarded a refund of $8500, or about 10% of our total annual premium costs.

Legacy Topics:

- The Charter review committee has requested a meeting with the City attorney to discuss how aggressively to proceed with additional recommended changes to the charter. The amendments will be processed for ballot approval at the next general election.
- Safe Routes to School trail project – pending state approval projected start date June 2024.

Upcoming Topics:

- Adoption of 2022-2026 Park and Rec Master Plan
- Veteran's Memorial Park final design approval
- Water, Wastewater, and Energy rate studies
- Council adoption of code enforcement policies, procedures, and implementation.
- BioPure biosolids hauling contract RFQ
- City IT support consultant RFQ.
- * Special City Council Meeting to be held in lieu of August 22nd meeting as necessary. Tentatively Aug 15th will be holding a special meeting at 5:30pm

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

- C. Burillo, been asked a couple of times if the City is responsible for taking care of the Co-op block? Also the Hart Village Market who is responsible for taking care of their yard.

ADJOURN:

- There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned upon a motion by C. Burillo and supported by A. Klotz. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on September 12th, 2023, at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Karla Swihart

Karla Swihart, City Clerk

Payables Date 8.22.2023	Description	Total	General +	DPW	Energy	BPTF	Water
Armstrong, Glen	MOC 8/31/23 The Electric Duo	$ 350.00	$ 350.00				
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Medicare Ins.	$ 2,125.08	$ 1,416.72		$ 708.36		
Cannon/Eaton	Meters	$ 4,176.64			$ 4,176.64		
Charter	Hart Commons Internet	$ 114.99			$ 114.99		
Charter	Starting Block - Phone	$ 169.97			$ 169.97		
Custom Tree Service	Tree Removed @Hart Dam	$ 3,000.00			$ 3,000.00		
Cutter, Paul	Reimburse cost of Power Washer	$ 2,174.59				$ 2,174.59	
Fife Water Services	Microscopic Evaluation Report	$ 415.00				$ 415.00	
First Advantage	Credit Memo	$ (46.03)			$ (46.03)		
FirstNet	Police Modems	$ 88.46	$ 88.46				
Fleis & VandenBrink	SRTS Project	$ 2,276.66	$ 2,276.66				
Freed Mgmt	#10 JGP Mgrs	$ 3,500.00	$ 3,500.00				
Frontier	JGP	$ 135.11	$ 135.11				
Frontier	Dam Auto-Dialer	$ 94.11			$ 94.11		
GRS	Renewal of Navigator Program	$ 600.00	$ 150.00		$ 150.00	$ 150.00	$ 150.00
Gustafson	223 S State St work	$ 14,495.00	$ 7,247.50				$ 7,247.50
Gustafson	719 S Courtland St work	$ 5,200.00	$ 2,600.00				$ 2,600.00
Hallack Contracting	Pmt 4 Force Main/Griswold	$ 11,385.78				$ 11,385.78	
Hallack Contracting	Labor/Equip to Repair 2 fire hydrants	$ 1,500.00					$ 1,500.00
Hansen Foods	Shipping Fee	$ 17.87				$ 17.87	
Huntington Credit Card	Various Purchases	$ 8,792.93	$ 3,136.97	$ 1,494.69	$ 3,925.08	$ 236.19	
Kendall	5AH Battery	$ 27.18				$ 27.18	
Kendall	40C Battery Accessory	$ 82.49				$ 82.49	
Kendall	CM 5AH Battery	$ (27.18)				$ (27.18)	
Kendall	40C Battery Accessory	$ 82.49				$ 82.49	
KS State Bank	Pmt 2019 Volvo WheelLoader	$ 4,588.71		$ 4,588.71			
Lawson-Fisher	Water Quality Monitoring Activities	$ 9,432.95			$ 9,432.95		
LEAF	Police Copies Lease Fee	$ 39.00	$ 39.00				
Louis Gelder	Scag Mower	$ 12,759.00		$ 12,759.00			
Louis Gelder	Skid Shoe	$ 162.92		$ 162.92			
Medler Electric	Lighting supplies City Hall	$ 20.57	$ 20.57				
Michigan Dept of State	Substitute Plate	$ 13.00	$ 13.00				
Michigan Municipal League	W/C Premium	$ 9,997.00	$ 4,098.77		$ 3,698.89	$ 1,699.49	$ 499.85
Mika Meyers	Legal Services	$ 10,920.32	$ 10,920.32				
MPPA	Purchased Power	$ 111,216.91			$ 111,216.91		
MPPA	Purchased Power	$ 89,562.67			$ 89,562.67		
MPPA	Purchased Power	$ 26,344.04			$ 26,344.04		
Office Machines	Police Copier Overage Fees	$ 37.97	$ 37.97				
Power Line Supply	Credit Memo	$ (1,104.82)			$ (1,104.82)		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 302.36			$ 302.36		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 922.98			$ 922.98		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 351.93			$ 351.93		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 126.24			$ 126.24		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 331.70			$ 331.70		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 5.56			$ 5.56		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 1,600.66			$ 1,600.66		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 1,516.64			$ 1,516.64		
Power Line Supply	Parts/Supplies	$ 507.53			$ 507.53		
Pranger Property Mgmt	CH/CC/HC Cleaning Services	$ 295.00	$ 295.00				
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Prein & Newhof	Various Projects	$ 11,661.30	$ 1,807.50		$ 162.50	$ 6,967.80	$ 2,723.50
Pyrotecnico	Fireworks/NAF Final Pmt	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00				
Quill	Office/Kitchen Supplies	$ 193.53	$ 193.53				
State of Michigan	Microbiology & Chemistry	$ 4,198.20				$ 4,198.20	
Steve's Auto & Truck	2019 Interceptor Repairs	$ 977.58	$ 977.58				
The Whiskey Charmers	MOC 8/24/23	$ 600.00	$ 600.00				
UIS SCADA	Upgrade Water System RTU'S	$ 64,550.00					$ 64,550.00
Verizon	Cell Phones	$ 490.77	$ 82.04	$ 154.34	$ 172.36	$ 82.03	
Verizon	Office Phones	$ 442.83	$ 356.16	$ 28.89	$ 28.89	$ 28.89	
Weesies	Foliage for BioPure	$ 80.98				$ 80.98	
Wells Fargo	Copier Lease Fee	$ 143.20	$ 143.20				
Wilbur-Ellis	Herbicide/Weedar	$ 120.18			$ 120.18		
Wilbur-Ellis	Weedar	$ 67.55				$ 67.55	
Wilbur-Ellis	Iron/Herbicide	$ 293.13				$ 293.13	
Wilbur-Ellis	Trimec	$ 246.40				$ 246.40	
Crossroads Mobile	1997 Ford - Boom Work	$ 1,749.41			$ 1,749.41		
Crossroads Mobile	2019 Ford - Upper Controls	$ 721.00			$ 721.00		
	Sub-total	**$ 430,013.04**	**$ 43,281.06**	**$ 19,188.55**	**$ 260,063.70**	**$ 28,208.88**	**$ 79,270.85**
HAND CHECKS/ACH/EFT							
Alerus	City Share 401 Retirement - PR 182	$ 4,344.58					
US Postmaster	Postage/Tax Bills	$ -			$ 314.11	$ 145.00	$ 24.14
AFLAC	Insurance Premium	$ 1,044.70					
Guardian	Insurance Premium	$ 1,542.69					
Delta Dental	Insurance Premium	$ 1,738.90					
MWG/Amfirst	Insurance Premium	$ 4,996.92					
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance Premium	$ 18,676.49					
	TOTAL HAND CHECKS	$ 32,344.28	$ -	$ -	$ 314.11	$ 145.00	$ 24.14
	Sub-Total Regular Bills/Hand Checks	*$ 462,357.32*	*$ 43,281.06*	*$ 19,188.55*	*$ 260,377.81*	*$ 28,353.88*	*$ 79,294.99*

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Grand Totals for Payroll:

Pay Code Id	Hours	OT Hours	Cur. Amnt.	YTD Amnt.
15X	0.00	28.00	1,902.98	13,044.77
2X	0.00	3.75	233.69	4,989.25
COMP	8.00	0.00	290.87	1,990.97
ETO	251.75	0.00	9,837.61	90,223.80
HOL	8.00	0.00	178.93	1,390.16
HOURLY	874.25	0.00	31,310.21	431,390.36
SALARY	906.50	0.00	32,922.03	417,947.51
STANDBY	16.00	0.00	608.16	5,601.73

	Ded/Exp Id	Cur. Amnt.	YTD Amnt.
**	MED_EE	186.90	
**	MED_ER	747.59	
	AF-ACC	26.04	26.04
	ALERUS 401	2,172.29	35,537.32
	ALERUS 401 AD	8.00	136.00
	ALERUS 457	1,075.00	15,375.00
	ALERUS 457P	1,116.72	18,058.00
	ALERUS R 457%	1,393.77	21,227.60
	CHILD SUPPORT	556.09	3,892.63
	DENTAL_EE	113.18	1,781.63
	DENTAL_ER	452.70	7,126.11
	FITW	7,829.23	142,693.57
	GAP_EE	431.59	5,689.28
	GAP_ER	1,625.93	20,925.20
	GUARDIAN_EE	21.04	309.58
	GUARDIAN_ER	214.69	3,326.74
	INS REIM	70.66	1,130.56
	LOAN	159.86	2,717.62
	LU465	29.44	263.64
	MED_EE	1,572.83	21,781.75
	MED_ER	6,291.31	87,125.77
	MEDICARE_EE	1,085.50	19,183.50
	MEDICARE_ER	1,085.50	19,183.50
	SITW	2,893.75	49,942.94
	SOCSEC_EE	4,641.51	82,025.95
	SOCSEC_ER	4,641.51	82,025.95
	UNI46	264.96	2,001.92
	UNIFM	14.85	252.45
	VOL. LIFE	144.95	1,159.60
	VOL. LIFE - CH	14.00	112.00
	VOL. LIFE - SPO	55.02	427.65

Gross Pay This Period	Deduction Refund	Ded. This Period	Net Pay This Period	Gross Pay YTD	Dir. Dep.	Expense This Period
77,284.48	0.00	25,877.18	51,407.30	1,355,568.61	50,802.27	15,059.23

* = Check Adjustment

Payroll ID: 184

Pay Period End Date: 08/27/2023 Check Post Date: 08/31/2023 Bank ID: GEN

Grand Totals for Payroll:

Pay Code Id	Hours	OT Hours	Cur. Amnt.	YTD Amnt.
15X	0.00	134.50	6,634.66	28,594.10
2X	0.00	13.00	784.02	8,402.65
BACK PAY	3.08	0.00	169.80	169.80
COMP	1.50	0.00	33.55	297.01
ETO	320.00	0.00	13,063.82	101,660.07
FAIR - POL	22.00	0.00	418.00	418.00
HOL	8.00	0.00	240.48	1,868.16
HOURLY	802.00	0.00	28,397.71	455,691.39
SALARY	1,047.75	0.00	36,227.19	463,308.76
STANDBY	8.00	0.00	367.68	3,638.85

Ded/Exp Id	Cur. Amnt.	YTD Amnt.
ALERUS 401	2,296.29	38,920.04
ALERUS 401 AD	8.00	144.00
ALERUS 457	1,075.00	16,450.00
ALERUS 457P	1,227.24	20,577.01
ALERUS R 457%	1,469.68	24,722.38
CHILD SUPPORT	556.09	4,448.72
DENTAL_EE	3.25	3.25
DENTAL_ER	13.01	13.01
FITW	10,091.33	159,517.84
LOAN	159.86	2,877.48
MEDICARE_EE	1,251.83	20,905.77
MEDICARE_ER	1,251.83	20,905.77
SITW	3,466.01	56,026.61
SOCSEC_EE	5,352.70	89,390.17
SOCSEC_ER	5,352.70	89,390.17
UNI45	50.25	50.25
UNIFM	14.85	267.30

Gross Pay This Period	Deduction Refund	Ded. This Period	Net Pay This Period	Gross Pay YTD	Dir. Dep.	Expense This Period
86,336.91	0.00	27,022.38	59,314.53	1,474,349.44	58,522.65	6,617.54

* = Check Adjustment

City of Hart Police Department

407 State Street Ph. (231)873-2488 Fax (231)873-0100 Hart, MI 49420-1259

Juan Salazar, Chief

TO: City of Hart Mayor, City Council, and City Manager
FROM: Juan Salazar, Chief of Police
DATE: September 12th, 2023

RECENT EVENTS

From Thursday, August 3rd, 2023, through Wednesday, September 6th, 2023, the Hart Police Department received 213 Complaints range from Private Property Damage Crashes, Well-Being Checks, Alarms, Malicious Destruction of Properties, Mental Health Complaints, Suspicious Situations, Ordinance Violations, Vehicle Violations, Motorist assistance, Medical assistance, Assistance to Other Agencies and Assault & Battery Complaints.

On Tuesday, August 1st, Officer Joshua Pomorski was offered and accepted full-time employment with the Hart Police Department. Officer Pomorski has over three (3) years of law enforcement experience working with agencies in Oceana, Mason and Manistee Counties. Officer Pomorski was previously employed full-time with the Manistee Police Department. I believe Officer Pomorski will be a great addition to the department and a much-needed part of making the department run thoroughly and sufficiently. This full-time position was made possible by the State of Michigan Office of School Safety grant submitted by the Hart Public School System for a full-time School Resource Officer. With the wages for the Schol Resource Officer being paid by the school system and the grant, this has allowed the agency to hire an additional officer.

This year's annual T.E.A.M. Golf Outing (Teaching, Educating and Mentoring) will be at the Benona Shores Golf Club in Shelby on Sunday, September 24th, 2023. The golf outing raises funds to purchase student items during the program. For the past 29 years, the Hart Police Department has had the unique opportunity of being involved in our public school system by providing school liaison programs that have become a proactive effort to make our schools and communities safer. T.E.A.M. has also made a positive impact in promoting responsible citizenship and positive character traits among our students.

On Monday, August 7th, 2023, the Hart Police Department initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Polk Road near US31 Expressway regarding an equipment violation. A 42-year-old Walkerville man was cited for Operating a Motor Vehicle without a License. The man was also arrested and lodged at the Oceana County Jail on an outstanding warrant for his arrest out of the Roosevelt Park Police Department.

On Thursday, August 10th, 2023, the Hart Police Department was dispatched to the John Gurney Park boat launch area for an unmanned boat floating within Hart Lake. Officers contacted the boat owner, who resides in the Grand Rapids area but is a seasonal camper at John Gurney Park. The officer verified the boat had accidentally become unsecured and began drifting in the lake. The officer secured the boat to a dock per the owner's request. The officer was assisted by the Oceana County Sheriff's Office Marine Division.

On Saturday, August 12th, 2023, the Hart Police Department was dispatched to the 400 block of Church Street regarding an Assault & Battery complaint. A 44-year-old Hart woman alleges being shoved by a 22-year-old Rothbury woman. The Hart woman stated she had been shoved backward, falling to the ground, resulting in a back injury. A report will be submitted to the Oceana County Prosecutor's Office.

On Saturday, August 12th, 2032, the Hart Police Department was dispatched to the 100 block of Washington Street referencing an Assault & Battery Complaint. A 60-year-old Hart man claims to have been shoved by a 44-year-old Hesperia man. The Hart man stated he had been shoved backward, falling to the ground, resulting in a right arm injury. A report will be submitted to the Oceana County Prosecutor's Office.

On Wednesday, August 16th, 2023, the Hart Police Department was dispatched to the 400 block of Lincoln Street referencing two (2) juveniles, a 13-year-old Hart boy and a 15-year-old Hart boy, who had run away from a State of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services worker while in their custody. On Thursday, August 17th, 2023, the department received information about the juvenile runaways in the 1000 block of 134th Avenue in Elbridge Township. The juveniles were located but again ran from responding officers. On Friday, August 18th, 2023, the department received information about the juvenile runaways in the 400 block of Lincoln Street. Responding officers were able to detain the 15-year-old boy, but the 13-year-old boy had run from the scene. Later on, on this same date, the 13-year-old boy returned to the 400 block of Lincoln Street and was able to be detained by officers. Officers transported The juvenile boys to the Midland County Juvenile Detention Center. It should be noted the 13-year-old boy damaged the rear prisoner in-car camera of the 2022 SUV Patrol Vehicle. A report will be submitted to the Oceana County Prosecutor's Office for Malicious Destruction to Police Property. The department was assisted by the Oceana County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit, the Michigan State Police K9 Unit, the Pentwater Police Department, the Shelby Police Department and the Pentwater Fire Department (Drone Unit).

On Tuesday, August 15th, 2023, the Hart Police Department was dispatched to the 300 block of Courtland Street about a Domestic Assault. A 30-year-old Shelby woman alleges to have been assaulted by being shoved and choked by a 36-year-old Hart man. The man was interviewed and subsequently arrested for Domestic Assault. The man was transported and lodged at the Oceana County Jail. The Oceana County Prosecutor's Office authorized a warrant for the man for Assault by Strangulation.

On Thursday, August 31st, 2023, D/Sgt. Skipski presented an American Heart Association CPR/First Aid/AED class to the transportation employees at Hart High School. The class was presented according to America Heart Association standards and involved a lecture, answer, and question session. Upon completion, students will receive an American Heart Association CPR card valid for 2 years.

Respectfully,

J. Salazar
Chief of Police

City of Hart
407 S. State St.
Hart, MI 49420

BOARDS – COMMITTEES - COMMISSIONS
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT - REAPPOINTMENT TO
SERVE ON CITY ADVISORY BOARDS – COMMITTEES - COMMISSIONS

_____Power Board	_X_Planning Commission
_____Water/BioPure Board	_____City Council
_____Hart Lake Improvement Board	_____Zoning Board of Appeals
_____Housing Board of Review	_____Neglected Properties Board
_____Park Committee	_____TIFA
_____Other _____	_____Hart Economic & Redevelopment Team H.E.A.R.T.

PLEASE CHECK OFF THE BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON.

Name: Cynthia A. Fout Home Phone: 231-301-8111

Home Address: 110 S Peach Ave, Hart, MI 49420

Employer Address: 132 E Laurel St. Walkerville, MI 49459

Work Phone: 231-873-4713 Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: cfout@live.com

What special experience, education or interest do you have for serving on each of the board(s), committees(s), commissions(s) you selected?

I Am Interested In The Future Of Hart And How We Plan To Move Forward. I Would Like To See If I Can Be Of Assistance.

What other board(s), committee(s), and commission do you currently serve on or have served on in the past?

Cynthia A Fout Date: 08-04-2023
Signature

Please return completed application to:

City of Hart
Rob Splane, City Manager
407 S. State St.
Hart, Michigan 49420
Fax: 231-873-0100

City use only:
Date of Approval: _____

City of Hart Current State/Future State Table 2023

***Planning Perspective – Commercial District**; Focuses on the commercial heart of the City: Downtown Hart, State Street and the Polk Road Corridor. Includes opportunities for preservation, placemaking, open space amenities, small business support, and the redevelopment of key sites.*

Current State	Future State	Possible Strategies
• Locally-owned restaurants/coffee shop • Fast-food restaurants • Locally-owned retail • National chain retail • Two grocery stores • Three auto-parts stores • Hair/Nail/Beauty Salons • Fitness centers • Laundromats • Library • Post office • Pharmacy • Professional and medical services • City Hall and city departments • County seat/county offices and services • TIF District • Banks • Hotel/Motel • Funeral Home • Local news organization • Pocket Park • Public Art • Rail Trail access • Hart Lake/Hart Commons/Veteran's Memorial Park • John Gurney Park • Adjacent industrial park	• Higher education offerings • New retail stores • Outdoor Center; i.e. snow sports, watersports and fishing supplier/provider • More lake access; boat launches, boardwalk • Improved streetscape and sidewalks • More eating opportunities • Entertainment opportunities • Industrial Park growth • State or regional agencies • Increased activity/utilization of the Fairgrounds • Expanded John Gurney Park • Call Center • Robust year-round activities/events • Hart C.C. (country club?)	• Partner with RESD or West Shore CC on expanding access to higher education options • Actively recruit an outdoor sporting goods retailer • Develop and implement a Hart Lake access expansion plan

Planning Perspective – Building Community; *Focuses on the importance of building community and provides strategies for preserving the aspects that make the city a great place to live, such as housing, community gathering spaces, events, DEI.*

Current State	Future State	Possible Strategies
• C.O.A • Hart Commons • Churches • Community Center • Senior Housing • Low Income Housing • Mass Center • John Gurney Park • Fairgrounds • Corner Bakery • National Asparagus Festival • Pocket Park • Lighted Christmas Parade • Farmers Market • Art In Hart • Hispanic Heritage Festival • Downtown Social District • Library • Playground • Veterans Memorial Park • Boar Launch • Hart Sparks (5K, fireworks, music) • Music on the Commons • Historic District (museum, music, rental hall)	• Intersectional school activities • More housing; market-rate, senior living • Artisan Village • Beach improvements • Shuttle bus utilization • Pub Pedal • Hart Lake Tiki Boat rentals • More winter events	• Sell lakefront property at end of Hilltop; remove well; re-parcel lots, make a beach

Planning Perspective – Economic Development Strategy; *Focuses on the City's strengths and opportunities related to the local economy and redevelopment, including strategies to strengthen existing assets and attract and retain talent.*

Current State	Future State	Possible Strategies
• Heart Economic and Redevelopment Team • Event Coordinator • RRC • hART Project (Tin Man) • Active City Council • 4H • Council on Aging • Competitive wages • The Right Place • Starting Block • Hispanic Community Center • Competent city departments • Bike Trail • Michigan Works! • Oceana County Community Foundation • Historic District • Veterans Memorial Park	• More activity on Hart Lake • Tourist opportunities that help residents • Tax abatements for new businesses • Welcome Wagon • Retain residents • Expand industry • Sporting goods/outdoor recreation retailer • Spanish language signage • Higher education offerings	• Develop old diesel plant into a Yacht Club • Build a marina • Create additional public beach access • Ensure the overall health of the lake • Create incentives for long-term residents • Develop an Industrial Association to support new industry •

Planning Perspective – Land Use; *Provides a framework for the City's physical land use and development character.*

Current State	Future State	Possible Strategies
• Industrial Park • Public parks and gathering spaces • Fairgrounds • Hart Lake and John Gurney Park • Mix of businesses in commercial district • Dedicated Historic District • Public parking lots • Multiple vacant buildings, including industrial sites • Zoning ordinance • Medical care facility • Health care options • Rail Trail • City infrastructure and utilities • Cemetery • Schools	• More recreational options • Space for pop-up shops • Improve appearance of the DPW building • Full-service health center • Enforce housing codes	• Build a dog park w/poop bag dispensers • Expand fishing options on Hart Lake • Amplify the work of the Parks & Recreation Commission • Kid-friendly spaces • Ice rink • Food truck ordinance