

Bangor City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 6, 2023  
257 W. Monroe Street  
Bangor, Michigan

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Farmer.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge started by Jaizeon Harris and recited by all present.
3. **Roll Call:** Present: Council members Uplinger, Legon, Martinez-Serratos, Murphy, Muenzer, and Mayor Farmer. About 10 citizens were also present. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz
4. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Council member Murphy to accept the agenda as presented. Support by Council member Legon. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
5. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 21, 2023:** Motion by Council member Murphy to accept the minutes as presented. Support by Council member Martinez-Serratos. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
6. **Approval of Special Meeting Minutes from March 2, 2023:** Motion by Council member Uplinger to accept the minutes as presented. Support by Council member Legon. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion carried with corrections.
7. **Approval of Payments and Bills:** Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to pay the bills in the General Checking 2 in the amount of \$133,259.72. Support by Council member Muenzer. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
  - a. Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to pay the bills for Roads in the amount of \$1,978.00. Support by Council member Muenzer. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
  - b. Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to pay the bills for T&A2 in the amount of \$575,995.11. Support by Council member Muenzer. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
  - c. Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to pay the bills for T&A2 in the amount of \$5,557.04. Support by Council member Muenzer. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
8. **Public Comment:** None
9. **New Business:**
  - a. **Pay Scale/Sturgis Bank & Trust Bank Bags:** City Manager Simpson recommended a pay raise for DPW worker Jordan Cummins to \$25.00 per hour as he is able to maintain and repair the City's Motor Pool vehicles.

Motion by Council member Uplinger. Supported by Council member Martinez-Serratos to raise Jordan Cummins pay to \$25.00 per hour. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.

- i. City Manager Simpson recommended a pay raise for Amanda Karr to \$27.00 per hour. She is helping with the May Elections. She will be paid this pay rate during this time. After the election she will be paid \$20.00 per hour. Motion by Council member Murphy to raise Amanda Karr \$27.00 per hour during the time she is helping with elections than after election are done she will be paid \$20.00 per hour. Support by Council member Martinez-Serratos. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
- ii. City Manager Simpson recommended paying Shelly Umbanhowar a starting wage of \$17.00 per hour. This is the base starting wage. Motion by Council member Murphy to pay Shelly Umbanhowar \$17.00 per hour as the starting wage. Supported by Council member Legon. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.
- iii. City Manager Simpson recommended adding Shelly Umbanhowar to the list of authorized employee's that can pick up the Night Deposit bags from Sturgis Bank & Trust. Motion by Council member Murphy to add Shelly Umbanhowar to the Night Deposit bags. Supported by Council member Legon. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.

b. **Manager update on infrastructure:** City Manager Simpson gave the Council an update on the infrastructure. The dip that is in Arlington Street by the Fire Department will be fixed starting next week and should take about a week. The Second Street Bridge repairs should start in May and take about 5 weeks to complete. Applied for a grant for Center Street. If the City receives this grant bidding would start next spring or fall.

10. **Opportunity for Public Comment: Stewart Rissley:** There are still safety issues on Second Street Bridge. There are cones on the sidewalk that people have to walk around into the street, a street sign still down. There is a band aid fix on Hamilton Street bridge guard rail. Is this going to get fixed? He has video of workers dumping into the river that he has sent to DEQ.

11. **Council Comments: Council member Martinez-Serratos:** Thank you everyone for coming out. It's good that Jordan Cummins is in house to work on the City vehicles. Amanda Karr is amazing and does a great job with elections. Thank you to DPW for fixing my corner! What other choices are there for ambulances?

**Council member Uplinger:** Thank you for coming out. He is a fan of Stewart Rissley for looking out for our water ways.

**Council member Legon:** Thank you for coming out. Would like to introduce his fiancé Kimmie Noe. Appreciate the card.

**Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz:** Absent

**Council member Murphy:** Thank you for coming out tonight. Happy to see another student help with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Council member Muenzer:** Back in 1900-1930 there was a golf course 2 ½ miles west of town called Riverwood Hills Golf. You could play 9 holes of golf for \$0.50.

**Mayor Farmer:** Thank you. Essence Williamson, South Walnut Elementary Principal will be picking 2 student a month to help start the Pledge. During the summer there will not be any students. Thank you to Bryce Saylor for fixing the collapsed pipes over by the Senior Center. Thank you to the company that is working on fixing sewer lines. They send a camera and video the lines. The majority is going very well. Thank you to Tommy Simpson for all the hard work that he has done on all the Grants.

12. **Adjournment:** Motion by Council member Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm. Support by Council member Martinez-Serratos. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

  
Stephenie Cagle, Acting City Clerk

  
Mayor Lynne Farmer

