



CITY OF BANGOR

BANGOR CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 3, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

7:00PM

**257 W MONROE ST
BANGOR, MI 49013**

1. **This meeting was called to order by Mayor Farmer at 7:00 pm.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IS LED BY COUNCILMEMBER MUENZER AND RECITED BY ALL PRESENT**
3. **ATTENDANCE/ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	
		Present	Absent
Lynne Farmer	Mayor	X	
Pati Martinez-Serratos	Mayor Pro Tem	X	
Heléne Rivers	Councilmember	X	
Jeremy Uplinger	Councilmember	X	
Jerry Muenzer	Councilmember	X	
Amber Garcia	Councilmember	X	
Darla McCrumb	Councilmember		X
QUORUM MET (6 PRESENT)			

OTHERS PRESENT

Scott Graham, City Attorney
Justin Weber, City Manager
Shelly Umbanhowar, Clerk
Paul Leonard, Police Officer

Derek Babcock, Fire Chief
Ezekiel Drake, Code Enforcement
Tyler Kendegran, Police Officer
Approximately 15 members of the public

4. **AUTHORIZATION TO EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBERS FORM THE MEETING**

Motion to excuse Councilmember McCrumb absence due to illness.	
RESULT:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Amber Garcia, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember

5. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

Motion to accept Regular Meeting 03/03/25 Agenda as Presented.	
RESULT:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Pati Martinez-Serratos, Mayor Pro Tem

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

a. Consent Agenda

Motion to accept Consent Agenda items: Regular Meeting Minutes **02/18/25**, Accounts Payable/Payroll: General Checking in the amount of **\$141,503.12**, Roads Checking in the amount of **\$1,978.00**, and T&A2 Checking in the amount of **\$441,896.16**.

RESULT: APPROVED (6 YES, 1 ABSENT)

MOVER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember

SECONDER: Amber Garcia, Councilmember

AYES: Rivers, Muenzer, Farmer, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Garcia

ABSENT: McCrumb

7. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None.

8. REGULAR BUSINESS

a. Engineer of Record

Nick Shelton from Abonmarche presented himself as the new Business Development & Government Strategy Director. He will be our new point of contact.

Van Buren County

Kurt Doroh gave updates and discussed Bangor City becoming certified as a redevelopment community. It's a small fee and something the City and Council should look into. He will share more information as it becomes available. City Manager Weber is already speaking with Van Buren County regarding this.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/POSTPONED ITEMS

None.

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. Award As-Needed Concrete Work in Public Right-of-Ways (Sidewalk Project)

Motion to award bid to Vander Galien Outdoor Solutions in the amount of \$36,600.00

RESULT: APPROVED (6 YES, 1 ABSENT)

MOVER: Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember

SECONDER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember

AYES: Rivers, Muenzer, Farmer, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Garcia

ABSENT: McCrumb

b. Bangor City Trash Transfer Station

City Manager Weber presented to the Council that along with the two (2) bulk trash days per year that the City also provide an opportunity to allow residents to purchase permits at City Hall. This would allow the residents more options to dispose of bulk trash or big items that they cannot throw in their weekly bins. The money made by selling permits will help offset the fee for the dumpsters to be emptied and replaced. More details/planning to come at a later Council meeting.

c. March Budget Workshop Meeting

The March Budget Workshop Meeting has been rescheduled from 03/10/25 @ 3PM at City Hall to 03/24/25 @ 3PM at City Hall.

d. **Upcoming / In Progress Items**

City Manager Weber updated Council on several items: Planning Commission Bylaws, the Council should expect to see them after the Planning Commission approves at their next meeting on 3/13; Apple Festival Committee, The City Manager and Clerk have been brainstorming ideas and working on details in order to get a committee together; Seal Coating/Fog Seal, the City will get signed up with Van Buren County Road Commission to get this work done in the Summer of 2025; Live Stream Downtown, the City has put in a work order to the IT department and they are looking at locations and working on a quote for us.

11. **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT – NON AGENDA ITEMS**

Public comments heard.

12. **COUNCILMEMBER CLOSING COMMENTS**

Councilmember comments were heard.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:47 PM.	
RESULTS:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Amber Garcia, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
ABSENT:	McCrumb

Shelly Umbanhowar, City Clerk

Mayor Lynne Farmer

CERTIFICATION

I, Shelly Umbanhowar, the duly appointed Clerk for the City of Bangor, do hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, March 3, 2025. These minutes were approved by the City Council on Monday, March 17, 2025, by unanimous vote. The original is on file at the Bangor City Hall, 257 W. Monroe Street, Bangor, Michigan 49013.

Shelly Umbanhowar, City Clerk