

Bangor City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2023
257 W. Monroe St.
Bangor, Michigan

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Farmer.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge started by Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz and recited by all present.
3. **Roll Call:** Present: Council members Uplinger, Martinez-Serratos, Muenzer, Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz and Mayor Farmer. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy
4. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Council member Uplinger to accept the agenda with corrections of numbering of items in New Business. Support by Council member Muenzer. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
5. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 15, 2023:** Motion by Council member Muenzer to accept the minutes as presented. Support by Council member Martinez-Serratos. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried
Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes from May 15, 2023: Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to accept the minutes with corrections. Support by Council member Uplinger. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried
6. **Approval of Payments and Bills:** Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to pay the bills in the **General Checking 2** in the amount of **\$192,002.13**. Support by Council member Muenzer. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
 - a. Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to pay the bills for **Roads** in the amount of **\$101,482.19**. Support by Council member Muenzer. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
7. **Other Regular Business:**
 - a. **Miss & Mr. Bangor:** Mayor Farmer presented Miss & Mr. Bangor with Keys to the City.
8. **Opportunity for Public Comment: Kathy Sparks:** On May 20 we had our softball tournament fundraiser. We raised around \$700.00 and gave it to a lady that has cancer that her insurance has not started. Thank you to Officer Leonard.
Kurt Doroh: Gave the Council a County update.
Renee Doroh: Can you look it to putting signs up in the crosswalks?
Steve Lowder: We will be flushing hydrants next week. When I have a date, I'll let you know.
Dale Kuhens: Thank you Chief of Police for mowing Veterans Memorial. The pavers outside of City Hall look nice.
Abigail Russell: Would like the return of Apple Festival and stated reasons why it would be beneficial to the City.
9. **Unfinished Business:** None
10. **New Business:**
 - a. **Public Hearing for Property Taxes:** The public hearing is set for June 19, 2023
 - b. **Lincoln Park Housing Proposal:** Clayton Raifsnider present the Council with his proposal of 6 to 8 stick-built homes. Dale Kuhens presented the Council with his proposal of 10 modular homes. Motion made by Council member Uplinger to recommend sending the proposal of selling Lincoln Park and housing proposals to the Planning Commission

for review. Support by Council member Martinez-Serratos. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.

- c. **Valve Maintenance:** Motion by Council member Uplinger to reject the valve maintenance proposal. Support by Council member Muenzer. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
- d. **Safety Issue on Monroe/U-Turns:** Motion by Council member Uplinger to table the Safety Issue until next City Council meeting. Support by Martinez-Serratos. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
- e. **MDOT Grant Resolution 2023-16:** Motion by Council member Uplinger to accept **Resolution No. 2023-16** to apply for grant funds. Support by Council member Martinez-Serratos. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
- f. **Apple Festival:** City Manager Simpson will work with the different committees for Apple Festival.

11. **Public Comments:** None

12. **Board/Commission Appointments and Correspondence:**

- a. Motion by Council member Muenzer to remove Bob Daily from the Bangor Housing Commission. Support by Council member Uplinger. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
- b. Motion by Council member Uplinger to appoint Carla Gray to the Bangor Housing Commission. Support by Council member Martinez-Serratos. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.
- c. Motion by Council member Martinez-Serratos to appoint Jeanie McCloud to the Bangor Housing Commission as Resident Housing Representative. Support by Council member Uplinger. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.

13. **Council Member Comments:**

Council Member Legon: Absent

Council Member Martinez-Serratos: Thanks for coming out tonight. Congratulations to the King/Queen. Thank you for the Lincoln Park proposals. Thanks, Dale, for all you do.

Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz: No comment.

Council Member Murphy: Absent

Council Member Muenzer: Disappointed that I don't have a history lesson tonight. Did you know that in Charles Park there is a Peace Pole it was placed in 1980 and says "May peace prevail". There is a stone closer to Harding's that has a plaque on it in honor of the #19 dept. of Mich. Grand Army of the Republic. They fought in the Civil War.

Council Member Uplinger: Nothing tonight

Mayor Farmer: I would be remiss if I didn't recognize the parents of the King/Queen the Russell's and Barb Ferguson. It takes a lot of time and money. It is wonderful to see so many people out tonight. Thank you, Bob, for the time you served on the Bangor Housing Commission.

14. **Adjournment:** Motion by Council Member Uplinger to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 PM. Support by Council Member Martinez-Serratos. Ayes by all present. Nays: None. Absent: Council members Legon and Murphy. Motion Carried.