



Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

7:00PM

257 W MONROE ST BANGOR, MI 49013

1. **This meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos at 7:00 pm.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IS LED BY COUNCILMEMBER UPLINGER AND RECITED BY ALL PRESENT**
3. **ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	
		Present	Absent
Lynne Farmer	Mayor		X
Pati Martinez-Serratos	Mayor Pro Tem	X	
Helène Rivers	Councilmember	X	
Jeremy Uplinger	Councilmember	X	
Renee Doroh	Councilmember	X	
Amber Garcia	Councilmember		X
Darla McCrumb	Councilmember	X	
QUORUM MET (5 PRESENT)			

OTHERS PRESENT

Justin Weber, City Manager
Shelly Umbanhowar, City Clerk
Scott Graham, City Attorney

Steve Lowder, DPW Director
Derek Babcock, Fire Chief
Approximately 15 members of the public

4. **AUTHORIZATION TO EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER(S) FROM THE MEETING**
Motion to excuse Mayor Farmer and Councilmember Garcia from the 12/01/25 Regular City Council Meeting. **Mover:** Councilmember Doroh; **Second:** Councilmember McCrumb.
5. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

Motion to accept Regular Meeting 12/01/25 Agenda with the addition of 10. New Business f. Salt Spreader.

RESULT: CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER: Helène Rivers, Councilmember
ABSENT: Farmer, Garcia

6. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**
 - a. **Consent Agenda**

Motion to accept Consent Agenda items: Regular Meeting and Closed Session Minutes 11/17/25. Accounts Payable/Payroll: General Checking in the amount of **\$12,775.19**, Roads Checking in the amount of **\$6,386.15**, and T&A Checking in the amount of **\$23,973.01**.

RESULT: MOTION CARRIED (5 YES; 2 ABSENT) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER: Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER: Darla McCrumb, Councilmember
AYES: Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Farmer, Garcia

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Resolution 2025-14, Adopt Amended Ordinance #254 Fire Ordinance/
Rental Registration

Motion to adopt Resolution 2025-14, Amended Ordinance #254 Fire Ordinance/Rental Registration.

RESULT: MOTION CARRIED (5 YES; 2 ABSENT) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER: Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
AYES: Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Farmer, Garcia

9. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos opened the public comment. One (1) public comment was offered.
Mayor Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos closed the public comment period.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/POSTPONED ITEMS/REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Unfinished Business/Postponed Items

None

- b. Items Removed From Consent Agenda

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. City of Bangor 2026 Meeting Dates

Motion to approve City of Bangor 2026 Meeting Dates with the change that the Cemetery Committee meeting location will be at City Hall 257 W Monroe St Bangor, MI 49013.

RESULT: MOTION CARRIED (5 YES; 2 ABSENT) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER: Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
AYES: Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Farmer, Garcia

- b. Marijuana Application Approval

Motion to approve Joe's Grow LLC at 250 Industrial Park Rd, Marijuana Class C Application.

RESULT: MOTION CARRIED (4 YES; 1 NO; 2 ABSENT) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER: Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
AYES: Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb
NAYS: Martinez-Serratos
ABSENT: Farmer, Garcia

c. DWSRF Project Plan – Abonmarche

Brief discussion/Q&A with Dan Bomzer from Abonmarche. This isn't for the loan itself or for the approval of a loan. This is for approval of the proposal for professional services to apply for a Drinking Water State (DWSRF) Loan.

Motion to approve the Abonmarche proposal for Professional Services to apply for a Drinking Water State (DWSRF) loan.

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (5 YES) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER:	Darla McCrumb, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
AYES:	Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Farmer, Garcia

d. Apple Festival

Brief discussion about the Apple Festival. Councilmember Uplinger would like to head up this committee with the help of Nancy Hodek. They will accept applications from community members to be Apple Festival committee members.

e. 2025 Christmas Parade

Brief discussion about the Christmas Parade and the City handing out hot chocolate and cookies. The Council would like to see this tradition continue. Councilmember Doroh and McCrumb along with staff Renee Ward will volunteer on Saturday 12/06/25.

f. Salt Spreader

City Manager Weber presented three (3) quotes from Hoekstra Equipment, Steensma Lawn & Power Equipment, and Formula K Equipment. He explains that Hoekstra Equipment is quoting for a larger salt spreader than the other two and that they can install & have returned to the City on Tuesday 12/02/25, the quote is for \$10,595.00. He would recommend the Council approve the Hoekstra Equipment quote.

Motion to approve the purchase of a salt spreader from Hoekstra Equipment.

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (5 YES; 2 ABSENT) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Renee Doroh, Councilmember
AYES:	Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Farmer, Garcia

11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos opened the public comment. Six (6) public comments were offered. Mayor Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos closed the public comment period.

12. COUNCILMEMBER CLOSING COMMENTS

Councilmember comments were heard.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Motion to convene into closed session at 7:35 PM per MCL 15.268 8 (1) (h) "to consult with our attorney regarding specific pending litigation: Farmer v. City of Bangor et al, Case No 25-075260-AW." Closed Session begins at 7:37 PM.

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (5 YES; 2 ABSENT) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER:	Darla McCrumb, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
AYES:	Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb, Martinez-Serratos, Rivers
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Farmer, Garcia

Motion to reconvene into regular session at 8:35 PM Reconvene into open session to consider any motions on any of the matters discussed under the closed session listed above.

RESULT:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jeremey Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
ABSENT:	Farmer, Garcia

The Council room doors are unlocked and remaining public is invited inside. No public is waiting to return.

No decisions are to be made.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:36 PM.

RESULTS:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember

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, December 1st, 2025. These minutes were approved by the City Council on Monday, December 15th, 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