



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 GARCIA 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	
Heléne Rivers	Councilmember	X	
Jeremy Uplinger	Councilmember	X	
Renee Doroh	Councilmember	X	
Amber Garcia	Councilmember	X	
Darla McCrumb	Councilmember	X	
QUORUM (4) MET (7 PRESENT)			

OTHERS PRESENT

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

Steve Lowder, DPW Director
 Derek Babcock, Fire Chief
 Tyler Kendregan, Police Officer
 Approximately 14 members of the public

4. **AUTHORIZATION TO EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER(S) FROM THE MEETING**
None
5. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

Motion to accept Regular Meeting 12/15/25 Agenda as presented.	
RESULT:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Amber Garcia, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Renee Doroh, Councilmember

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

Motion to accept Consent Agenda items: Regular Meeting and Closed Session Minutes 12/01/25. Accounts Payable/Payroll: General Checking in the amount of \$220,794.10 , and T&A Checking in the amount of \$4,897.94 .	
RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (7 YES) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER:	Amber Garcia, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Renee Doroh, Councilmember
AYES:	Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb, Garcia, Farmer
NAYS:	None

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

a. Reports

i. Department Heads

DPW, Police, Fire*, Code Enforcement**, Clerk, and Treasurer: The reports have been received by the Council, reviewed as presented, and are hereby placed on file for record. *verbal report given, **not present, no report to file

ii. Commission and Boards

Reports from Planning, Cemetery**, Parks & Recreation*, EDC**, and DDA*: The reports have been received by the Council, reviewed as presented, and are hereby placed on file for record. *verbal, no report to file, **did not meet, not report to file

iii. Other

Bangor Housing Commission and Van Buren County Senior Services updates were not heard, not representative present.

Van Buren Conservation District

Kalli Marshall was present to discuss 2026 opportunities. They would like to host an electronics recycling in the City in 2026. Potential date would be July 8th, 2026 from 1PM to 5PM. Fire Chief Babcock offered the lot at the fire station as a staging zone. Bangor Township might have a styrofoam recycling drop off in 2026, if so the Bangor residents could also use for a fee.

9. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Farmer opened the public comment. Three (3) public comment was offered. Mayor Farmer 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. Planning Commission Recommendation to Rezone Eleven (11) Parcels in the Industrial Park area to Multi Use.

Motion to approve the Planning Commission recommendation to rezone 11 parcels in Industrial Park to Multi Use. Parcel Numbers: 80-54-812-062-00; 80-54-812-058-00; 80-54-812-060-00; 80-54-812-059-20; 80-54-812-058-15; 80-54-812-058-41; 80-54-812-058-50; 80-54-812-071-00; 80-54-812-059-10; 80-54-812-061-00; 80-54-812-056-00	
RESULT:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Darla McCrumb, Councilmember

b. Engagement Letter from Plunkett Cooney

Motion to accept engagement letter from Plunkett Cooney to represent the City in the Gallegos v City of Bangor 25-075369AW lawsuit.	
RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6 YES; 1 NO) (ROLL CALL)
MOVER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
AYES:	Rivers, Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger, Doroh, McCrumb, Garcia
NAYS:	Farmer

11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Farmer opened the public comment. Five (5) public comments were offered. Mayor Farmer closed the public comment period.

12. COUNCILMEMBER CLOSING COMMENTS

Councilmember comments were heard.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:39 PM.	
RESULTS:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Helène Rivers, 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 15th, 2025**. These minutes were **approved by the City Council on Monday, January 5th, 2026**, by unanimous vote. The original is on file at the Bangor City Hall, 257 W. Monroe Street, Bangor, Michigan 49013.

Shelly Umbanhowar, City Clerk