

Bangor City Council
Special Meeting
July 24, 2023 8:00 PM
257 W Monroe Street
Bangor, Michigan

1. **Meeting called to Order:** at 8:00 PM by Mayor Farmer.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge of Allegiance started by Council Member Martinez-Serratos. Recited by all present.
3. **Roll Call:** Present ; Council Members Martinez-Serratos, Muenzer, Murphy, and Uplinger. Also Mayor Farmer. Absent: City Manager Simpson.
4. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Council Member Murphy to accept the Agenda as presented. Support by Council Member Muenzer. Motion Carried.
5. **Resignation of Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz:** Motion by Council Member Uplinger to accept the resignation of Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Support by Council Member Murphy. Motion Carried.
6. **Interviews of Prospective Council Members:** Each prospective Council member was asked the same identical questions by current Council members. They were sequestered in the front office until their turn to interview. Candidates in the order they were interviewed.
 1. **Stewart Sanford**
 2. **Amber Garcia**
 3. **Dave Markel**
 4. **Helene Rivers**
 5. **Darla McCrumb** (Phone interview as she was out of town)
7. **Appointment of 2 New Council Members:** Motion by Council Member Muenzer to table the selection of the new Council Members until

the Council has read the letters submitted to the City Manager. Support by Council Member Muenzer. Motion Carried.

8. ***Appointment of New Mayor Pro Tem:*** Motion by Council Member Muenzer to table the appointment until we have a full Council. Support by Council Member Martinez-Serratos. Motion Carried.

9. ***Opportunity for Citizen Comments:*** Renee Doroh was impressed with the number and qualifications of the Candidates.

10. ***Council Member Comments:*** Council Member Martinez-Serratos Thanked everyone who applied for the 2 Council seats.

Council Member Uplinger Thanked all the candidates that applied and said "It is not easy sitting up here."

Council Member Muenzer said we had 5 excellent candidates. This is a thankless job. And stated that someone dropped the ball.

Council Member Murphy said it is too bad we only have 2 seats open. It is a tough decision. And reminded the people not chosen to run for a seat in the May elections of 2024.

Mayor Farmer apologized to the audience for drinking a cold drink but explained she had a tooth removed, screw implanted and stitches at 4:30 this afternoon. She thanked everyone for coming and stated it is going to be a hard decision as we had so many good candidates.

Adjournment: Motion by Council Member Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM. Support by Council member Martinez-serratos. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by Lynne M Farmer