

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

April 1, 2024 @ 7 PM 257 W Monroe St Bangor, MI 49013

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 5. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
 - a. Approval of Regular City Council minutes for 03/18/24
- 6. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL
 - Reviewed by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos & Councilmember Rivers
 - a. General Checking
 - b. Roads
- OTHER REGULAR BUSINESS (resolutions, proclamations, reports, and presentations)
- 8. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (PLEASE KEEP COMMENTS TO WITHIN 3 MINUTES)
- 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - Budget Workshop Date (City Manager Weber) a.
 - b. Council Memo Clarifying City Manager and Councilmember Roles (Attorney Scott Graham)
- **10. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Accept Reappointment of Fred Hicks to DDA term 01/01/24-12/31/26 (Mayor Farmer)
 - b. Accept Reappointment of Dan Farmer to DDA term 01/01/24-12/31/26 (Mayor Farmer)
- 11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (PLEASE KEEP COMMENTS TO WITHIN 3 MINUTES)
- 12. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS
- 13. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Under "Opportunity for Public Comment," members of the audience may address the Council, please limit your comments to three minutes or less per item. When asked please state your first and last name and address.

- The proposed process for items listed under agenda items above shall be as follows:

 Announcement of the agenda item by the Mayor.
 Verbal report provided.
 Mayor asks council members if they have any questions to clarify the report.
 Motion is made by a council member and seconded by another council member.
 Mayor then calls on council members to discuss the motion if council members wish to discuss.
 Mayor calls for a vote on the item after discussion has occurred.

CITY OF BANGOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES March 18, 2024 @ 7:05 PM 257 W. Monroe St. Bangor, MI // City Council Room

1. CALL TO ODER.

Mayor Farmer called meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

3. ROLL CALL.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Pati Martinez-Serratos	Mayor Pro Tem	Present
Heléne Rivers	Councilmember	Present
Jeremy Uplinger	Councilmember	Present
Jerry Muenzer	Councilmember	Present
Amber Garcia	Councilmember	Present
Darla McCrumb	Councilmember	Present
Lynne Farmer	Mayor	Present

OTHERS PRESENT.

City Manager Justin Weber, Acting DPW Director Steve Lowder, Fire Chief Derek Babcock, Treasurer Stephenie Cagle, and approximately 10 members of the public.

4. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA.

Motion to accept Regular Meeting Agenda with amendment. Add B. Council Conduct under New Business

RESULT:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES.

a. Approval of Minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 18, 2024

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RESULT:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Darla McCrumb, Councilmember

6. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL.

a. General Checking Accounts Payable and Payroll.

Motion to pay bills from General Checking 2 in the amount of \$231,293.42.			
RESULT:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)		
MOVER:	Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember		
SECONDER:	Amber Garcia, Councilmember		
AYES:	Rivers, Uplinger, Muenzer, Garcia, McCrumb, Martinez-Serratos, Farmer		

b. Roads Checking Accounts Payable

Motion to pay bills from Roads Checking in the amount of \$668.75.			
RESULT:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)		
MOVER:	DVER: Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember		
SECONDER: Amber Garcia, Councilmember			
AYES:	Uplinger, Muenzer, Garcia, McCrumb, Martinez-Serratos, Rivers, Farmer		

c. T&A2 Checking Accounts Payable

Motion to pay bills from T&A2 Checking in the amount of \$163.19.			
RESULT:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)		
MOVER:	Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember		
SECONDER: /	Amber Garcia, Councilmember		
AYES:	Muenzer, Garcia, McCrumb, Rivers, Uplinger, Matinez-Serratos, Farmer		

7. OTHER REGULAR BUSINESS.

- a. Van Buren District Library, Library Millage: Dan Hutchins gave an overview of the upcoming millage increase request.
- b. Department Head Reports: Fire Chief Babcock, Officer Kendregan, City Treasurer Cagle, County Commissioner Doroh, and DPW Director Lowder gave brief department updates.

8. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

Public comments were heard.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Bryce Saylor/Total Lawn Care.

City Attorney Scott Graham updated that paperwork has been filed with the courts and that he will no longer be giving public updates. The Council will have to go into closed session.

b. DPW Mowing Crew.

City Manager Weber updated the council that the DPW Mowing Crew positions have been posted on our website, social media (Facebook) and in the paper. We have had about 20 applications picked up. The job post will be open until the end of March. He would like to start interviews in April and have the crew hired and ready to start work in May.

c. Bulk Trash Pick Up Date.

City Manager Weber stated that Republic has scheduled April 30 for curbside bulk trash pickup. Republic has provided do and don't guidelines. They will take pictures as needed.

10. NEW BUSINESS.

a. Budget Workshop Date.

Discussion regarding budget workshop dates in April. Mayor Farmer asked Treasurer Cagle to provide a date to coordinate the workshop.

b. Council Conduct.

Councilmember McCrumb expressed concern about how the last meeting ended. She thought it was very disrespectful to other Councilmembers. Members of the public and other Councilmembers had contacted her in regards to this. Discussion about the roles and responsibilities of the City Manager and the Mayor. City Attorney Graham stated that the City Charter is the guide for these roles.

Motion to have City Attorney Scott Graham draft a memo clarifying the roles of the City Manager and Councilmembers.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5 to 2)
MOVER:	Amber Garcia, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Heléne Rivers, Councilmember
AYES:	Uplinger, Garcia, McCrumb, Rivers, Farmer
NAYES:	Martinez-Serratos, Muenzer

Attorney Graham expressed that this will be based on the City Charter.

11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

Public comments were heard: Feel that it was an abuse of power and needed more transparency. Hope not to see this type of behavior again. Maybe it is time to make changes to the Charter.

12. COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS.

Martinez-Serratos: Thank you for coming out. Good things are happening. Signs look nice.

Rivers: Thanks for coming out and showing interest. I agree that we need to be more courteous. Bangor is looking better and prettier. Optimistic for the future.

Uplinger: Thank you for coming out tonight. The Lions Bunny Hop is at the end of the month. Cemetery cleaning will be coming up.

McCrumb: We must do our due diligence with the taxpayer's funds. The council should not have pet project agendas.

Garcia: I would like to piggyback on Darla's comment. We need to set aside personal agendas and look at the bigger picture to decide what is good for everybody.

Muenzer: The Pete Gent sign looks good. I like the letter that is going out about bulk trash. History lesson in 1911 Freestone Pickels moved from Benton Harbor to Bangor. The 4th of 5th generation still running the business.

CITY MANAGER WEBER COMMENTS.

I meet with Abonmarche once a month to talk about different ideas. I will be researching restructuring downtown parking and adding speed bumps in different areas. Having been talking with DDA about sidewalks in the downtown area.

CITY ATTORNEY GRAHAM COMMENTS.

Nothing

MAYOR FARMER: Thank you for coming out. Thank you Dave for the great ideas.

13. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion to adjourn at 8:21 PM

RESULTS:	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
AYES:	Rivers, Uplinger, Muenzer, Garcia, McCrumb, Martinez-Serratos, Farmer

Stephenie Cagle, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Lynne Farmer



То:	Mayor Farmer, Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos, Councilmember Rivers, McCrumb, Garcia, Muenzer and Uplinger
CC:	Justin Weber, City Manager
From:	Shelly Umbanhowar, Clerk
CC:	Stephenie Cagle, Treasurer
Subject:	Accounts Payable and Payroll
Date:	03/28/24

Recommended Action:

Treasurer recommends City Council approval of the following:

٠	Bill List for 03/28/24	(33 items)	in the amount of	<u>\$19,521.02</u> .
•	Payroll period: 03/11-03/2	17/24	in the amount of	<u>\$18,835.75</u> .

- Payroll period: 03/11-03/17/24 in the amount of <u>\$18,835.75</u>.
 Checks In Between (2 items) in the amount of <u>\$62,115.00</u>.
- EFT Transactions (22 items) in the amount of <u>\$5,542.62</u>.
 - For a grand total amount of \$106,014.39 from the GCK-2 account.

Treasurer recommends City Council approval of the City of Bangor Roads <u>**ROADS**</u> Bill List for 03/28/24 in the amount of <u>\$3,154.23</u>

Council Action:

For Action

Summary:

See GCK-2 and ROADS invoice approval list.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF <u>GCK-2</u> BILLS LIST & PAYROLL	\$106,014.39
TOTAL AMOUNT OF ROADS BILLS LIST	\$3,154.23

03/27/2024 INVOICE APPROVAL BY INVOICE REPORT FOR CITY OF BANGOR EXP CHECK RUN DATES 04/02/2024 - 04/02/2024 UNJOURNALIZED OPEN BANK CODE: GCK-2 - CHECK TYPE: PAPER CHECK

Vendor Code	Vendor Name		
	Invoice	Description	Amount
ABON			
	144862	DON MORA BALL PARK IMPROVEMENTS	1,000.00
	146159	DON MORA BALL PARK IMPROVEMENTS	800.00
TOTAL FO	DR: ABONMARCHE	<u>.</u>	1,800.00
AT&T	AT&T MOBILITY		
		PHONE @ WELLS	235.44
TOTAL FC	DR: AT&T MOBILIT	Y	235.44
AUTO	AUTO-WARES GR	ROUP	
AUTO	780190302	WHITE TRUCK	11.98
TOTAL FO	DR: AUTO-WARES		11.98
CINTAS	CINTAS CORPORA	ATION #301	
	4186055916	DPW UNIFORMS	53.07
	4186834839	DPW UNIFORMS - VANHOLT & CUMMINS	53.07
	4187577658	DPW UNIFORMS	53.07
	86834014	RUGS CITY HALL & POLICE STATION	106.25
TOTAL FO	OR: CINTAS CORPC	PRATION #301	265.46
INTERAC	T COLOSSUS, INC		
		POLICE REPORT WRITING - ONLINE RMS 7 USERS	
	CPSI/IN0004677 CPSXT0000748	04/2024 - 03/2025 POLICE REPORT WRITING - TRAINING	2,652.64
	DR: COLOSSUS, INC		1,125.00 3,777.64
TOTAL FC	JR. COLO3303, INC	~	5,777.04
CORE&M	CORE & MAIN LP		
	U449456	12 METERS	4,371.48
	U74716	METER TEST FEE	50.00
TOTAL FO	DR: CORE & MAIN	LP	4,421.48
DELTA	DELTA DENTAL O	F MICHIGAN	
	RIS0005582289	DENTAL INSURANCE APRIL 2024	1,511.26
TOTAL FO	DR: DELTA DENTAL	OF MICHIGAN	1,511.26
ELECTION	VELECTION SOURC	CE	
	24-7963	ELECTION SUPPLIES	1,242.81
	24-8486	ELECTION SUPPLIES FOR ELECTIONS 2024	242.58
		VARIOUS SUPPLIES FOR ELECTION CLOSET	
	24-8504	ORGANIZATION ELECTIONS 2024	503.06
	24-8521	VARIOUS ELECTIONS SUPPLIES FOR 2024 ELECTIONS	1,645.53
TOTAL FO	DR: ELECTION SOU	RCE	3,633.98

MISC	KUHENS, DAIL		
	03/19/2024	UB refund for account: 1.02000.0	138.53
TOTAL F	OR: KUHENS, DAIL		138.53
LANDERS	S LANDERS HARDV		020.01
	022924 OR: LANDERS HARI	VARIOUS EXPENSES POLICE & DPW	939.01
TUTAL F	OR. LANDERS HARI	DWARE INC	939.01
MENARD	MENARDS SOUTI	H HAVEN	
	66259	MISC SUPPLIES - 7/16 OSB - WALNUT ST - DPW	109.60
TOTAL F	OR: MENARDS SOL	JTH HAVEN	109.60
SOM-PO	L MICHIGAN STAE		
		TOKEN FEE FROM 01/01-24-03/31/24	198.00
TOTAL F	OR: MICHIGAN STA	AE POLICE	198.00
		NSHIP SERVICES ALLEGAN	
		PERMIT FEES FEB 2024 ELECTRICAL	168.30
τοται εί	-	WNSHIP SERVICES ALLEGAN	168.30
			100.00
PITNEY	PITNEY BOWES		
	030724	POSTAGE FOR METER	201.00
TOTAL F	OR: PITNEY BOWES	5	201.00
SHARE	SHARE CORP.		
		DE-SCALE ULTRA 5 GA - CEMETERY	252.83
TOTAL FO	OR: SHARE CORP.		252.83
SMIDT	SMIDT MACHINII		
SIVILUT	1251	DUCK SCRAPPER FOR BACKHOE	575.00
TOTAL F			575.00
TOTAL FOR: SMIDT MACHINING & REPAIR 575.00			
STANDA	R STANDARD INSU	RANCE COMPANY	
	031524	APRIL 2024 LIFE INSURANCE	93.81
TOTAL F	OR: STANDARD INS	SURANCE COMPANY	93.81
STAPLES	STAPLES		
		VARIOUS OFFICE SUPPLIES - POLICE & CITY HALL	347.94
TOTAL FO	OR: STAPLES		347.94
TRACE	ΤΡΛΟΕ ΛΝΑΙ ΥΤΙΟ	AL LABORATORIES, INC	
INACL	4030420	DRINKING WATER REQ	98.50
	4030710	DRINKING WATER REQ	98.50
		DRINKING WATER REQ	98.50
TOTAL F		FICAL LABORATORIES, INC	295.50
USBANK	US BANK EQUIPN	/IENT FINANCE	
		POLICE STATION COPIER LEASE APRIL 2024	195.00
TOTAL F	OR: US BANK EQUI	PMENT FINANCE	195.00

PP VILLAG VILLAGE OF PAW PAW			
JANUARY-24	60.00		
TOTAL FOR: VILLAGE OF PAW PAW			
VSP VISION SERVICE			
820079977	APRIL 2024 VISION INSURANCE	289.26	
TOTAL FOR: VISION SERVIC	CE PLAN	289.26	
	TOTAL - ALL VENDORS	19,521.02	
		19,521.02	
PAYROLL			
3/18/2024	03/11/24-03/17/24	18.835.75	
TOTAL FOR: PAYROLL		18,835.75	
	TOTAL - PAYROLL	18,835.75	
CHECKS IN BETWEEN			
	HOLLIDAY INTERIORS LLC-		
	DESKS/FILING/SHELVES/TABLE/CHAIRS FOR CITY		
41312	MANAGER, TREASURER, CLERK	1,500.00	
	DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL-POTHOLING WORK		
41313	COMPLETED THRU 11/2023		
TOTAL FOR: CHECKS IN BE	I WEEN	62,115.00	
	TOTAL - CHECKS IN BETWEEN	62,115.00	
	TOTAL - CHECKS IN BETWEEN	02,115.00	
EFT TRANSACTIONS			
CONSUM CONSUMERS EN	ERGY		
031724.8270	WELL #9 02/16-03/17/24	332.77	
031724.8833	WELL #8 02/16-03/17/24	1,499.98	
TOTAL FOR: CONSUMERS	ENERGY	1,832.75	
I&M/AEP INDIANA MICHIC			
022724.4706	WELL #7 02/01-02/29/24 WELL #7 ELECTRIC	394.72	
022724.7108	WHITE OAK LIFT DR ELECTRIC SERVICES 02/01-02/29/24	40.84	
022924.0806	LIONS LIFT ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	966.69	
022924.0909	GETMAN LIFT ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	106.78	
022924.1701	MONROE PARK ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	21.18	
022924.1706	M43 PARK ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	34.22	
022924.17106	CHARLES PARK ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	22.66	
022924.20408	POLICE STATION ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	170.15	
022924.21701 022924.24901	WELL #5 ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24 PARK LIFT ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	169.62 44.88	
022924.24901	MORA PARK ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	44.88 20.55	
022924.31705	WELL #3 ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	20.55 187.91	
022924.31707	LIONS PARK ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	28.48	
022924.33704	DPW BLDG ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	28.48 227.61	
022924.4701	STREET LIGHT ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	36.80	
022924.4704	02/01-02/29/24 CITY HALL ELECTRIC	20.55	
UCC.1C4.4/U/		20.55	

022924.53203 ARLINGTON LIFT ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24

933.08

022924.65184704 CITY HALL ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24		206.30
022924.7701	MORA PARK CONCESSION 02/01-02/29/24	21.80
022924.84709	OUTSIDE LIGHTS ELECTRIC 02/01-02/29/24	55.05
TOTAL FOR: INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER		3,709.87

TOTAL - EFT TRANSACTIONS	5,542.62

GRAND TOTAL 106,014.39

03/27/2024 // INVOICE APPROVAL BY INVOICE REPORT FOR CITY OF BANGOR EXP CHECK RUN DATES 04/02/2024 - 04/02/2024 UNJOURNALIZED OPEN BANK CODE: ROADS

Vendor Code	Vendor Name		
	Invoice	Description	Amount
DETROIT	DETROIT SALT COMPANY	,	
	SI24-25939	SALT FOR ROADS - WINTER 2023/24	3,154.23
TOTAL FOR: DETROIT SALT COMPANY		3,154.23	

TOTAL - ALL VENDORS 3,154.23



То:	Mayor Farmer, Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos, Councilmember Rivers, McCrumb, Garcia, Muenzer and Uplinger
CC:	Justin Weber, City Manager
From:	Shelly Umbanhowar, Clerk
CC:	Stephenie Cagle, Treasurer
Subject:	Budget Workshop (April 2024)
Date:	03/28/24

Council Action:

Treasurer and City Manager recommend a motion for City Council to set a date in April for a Budget Workshop.

Summary:

The Budget Workshop can be any date in the month of April. But it should *not* be during any April City Council meeting.

Treasurer is available and recommends a date the week of April 22nd (Mon 22, Tues 23rd, Wed 24th, Thurs 25th or Fri 26th).

Keep in mind, there may be a need for another Budget Workshop in the month of May. This depends on how the April Budget Workshop goes.

The Public Budget Hearing and Budget Adoption must be held no later than the Regular City Council meeting on 06/17/24. *This is in accordance to Chapter IX, General Finance, Budget Hearing,* 9.5.



То:	Mayor Farmer, Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos, Councilmember Rivers, McCrumb, Garcia, Muenzer and Uplinger
CC:	Justin Weber, City Manager
From:	Shelly Umbanhowar, Clerk
CC:	Stephenie Cagle, Treasurer
Subject:	Council Memo Clarifying City Manager Councilmember Roles
Date:	03/28/24

Summary:

Attorney Scott Graham to provide a memo to councilmembers clarifying City Manager and Councilmembers Roles.

As of the creation of this packet, I do not have this memo. This item was carried over as unfinished business from the 3/28/24 Regular City Council meeting.

Council Action:

FYI, this is a place to write notes if necessary.



То:	Mayor Farmer, Pro Tem Martinez-Serratos, Councilmember Rivers, McCrumb, Garcia, Muenzer and Uplinger
CC:	Justin Weber, City Manager
From:	Shelly Umbanhowar, Clerk
CC:	Stephenie Cagle, Treasurer
Subject:	DDA Re-Appointments
Date:	03/28/24

Summary:

DDA has approved for Fred Hicks and Dan Farmer to be reappointed to the DDA.

Council Action:

City Manager Weber recommends the City Council motion to accept the DDA's request to reappoint:

- Fred Hicks term 01/01/24-12/31/26
- Dan Farmer term 01/01/24-12/31/26



CITY OF BANGOR

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City Manager Justin Weber

Manager's Information 3/18/24 – 3/29/24

Meetings: Council Meeting 3/18/24 DDA meeting 3/19/24 EDC meeting 3/20/24

Training:

DPW Interim Director Lowder attended a 4-day water/sewer conference, 3/19 - 3/22. Clerk Umbanhowar attended a week's long Clerk's Training, 3/17 - 3/22.

Personnel:

Currently have six (6) applications for seasonal employees. Will be hosting interviews soon.

Work Around the City:

DPW helped Bangor Housing Commission locate a leak in their sewer system on Lincoln Ave.

DPW's skid steer has been out, and it's being used for many projects around town.

Business Relations:

I met with management and took a tour of both facilities at Pure Michigan Growers and the ProFarm facility in Bangor's Industrial Drive. Very interesting work happening out there.

Tax Capture:

The City of Bangor recently received \$118,000 from the marijuana tax money. "Director Brian Hanna from the Cannabis Regulatory Agency says marijuana tax revenues are quickly rising, this is a 46% increase in tax revenue for counties and municipalities than from last year. So, it really shows how strong and how growing the cannabis industry is in the state of Michigan."

Police Department:

Recently, I was able to acquire \$40,000 worth of camera equipment for the Bangor Police Department at no cost by utilizing my Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police membership. Obtaining quotes to have the newly acquired camera equipment installed in the Bangor Police Department cruisers and taking the current camera systems out of the police cruisers and having those cameras installed in the DPW vehicles. That would give DPW the ability to record their activities while in the dump/snowplow trucks. This would also provide GPS stamps similar to Republic's garbage trucks.

The suspects in the graffiti incident downtown have been charged with malicious destruction of property.

The School Resource Officer read books to elementary aged students during March's reading week.

Met with Abonmarche:

Team members met with Abonmarche, we discussed city services, maintenance, repairs, and grants.

Key takeaways from the meeting. The City's enterprise services (water/sewer/stormwater) should pay for themselves and we should not be subsidizing those funds. We are currently subsidizing those funds because rates have not been adjusted and the costs are more than what the city is bringing in. Michigan Rural Water (MRW) has been in to prepare a rate study. When MRW is finished, I will be coordinating a presentation with them for the Council.

We discussed parking arrangements downtown and in municipal parking. MDOT controls parking on M43.Tony from Abonmarche and I are going to coordinate a presentation for the DDA to discuss the city's parking. May be able to apply for a Rural Development grant for a street scape project in the next calendar year.

We are submitting a no cost grant in the Fall to FDCTV for \$100,000 worth of infrastructure repairs in the water system by replacing fire hydrants.

EDC is interested in infrastructure upgrades by providing a water loop for Industrial Park Drive.

The city is currently ineligible for recreational grants because the 5-yr recreational plan is expired. This is normally put together by the Parks and Recreation Committee. Our Parks and Recreation Committee was disbanded. We can re-establish a committee or work on preparing a 5-yr plan without a committee.

Additional Grant Opportunity:

I'm also applying for a no cost grant through Kubota (Skid Steer Company). Since we are within close proximity of a Kubota Dealership and purchased a Kubota recently, there is an opportunity to apply for a grant to subsidize funding for community-based projects like parks and community gardens.

Unfinished Business:

The Slaughterhouse off M43. A contractor was hired in early 2023 to demolish the building for \$18,000. The contractor was paid \$9,000 upfront but it was then discovered the building contained asbestos. That halted the demolition. Analytical Testing and Consulting Services out of Plainwell performed an asbestos study on the building in March 2023. That is where we are today. The contractor has contacted me to complete his obligations. An asbestos removal company will need to be hired to remove the asbestos. Then the contractor can demolish the building.

Public Relations:

City of Bangor Beautification Day. April 27th, 2024 from 8am – 4pm. Volunteers to help beautify Bangor's municipal flower beds. My wife and I are donating lunch for the volunteers. Reached out to school because seniors can obtain additional cords for participating in community service.

Bruce Thatcher has been selected to participate in the National Honor Flight Network on May 4th, 2024. He will be flown to the nation's memorials in Washington DC where he'll experience honor, gratitude, and community support. I think it would be appropriate for the city to recognize him.

City of Bangor Beautification Day

WHEN: **SATURDAY 4/27/24** 8AM-4PM

Lunch Provided: HOTDOGS, CHIPS AND DRINKS

VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED:

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE RAKING FLOWER BEDS, **REMOVING WEEDS**, SPREADING MULCH, AND

RSVP:

SIGN UP BY APRIL 24TH VIA EMAIL OR CALLING CITY HALL

PLANTING NEW FLOWERS IN ALL THE MUNICIPAL **FLOWER BEDS**

