



CITY OF BANGOR
BANGOR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 6, 2025
MINUTES

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 UPLINGER AND RECITED BY ALL PRESENT**
3. **ATTENDANCE/ROLL CALL**

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	
Jerry Muenzer	Councilmember	X	
Amber Garcia	Councilmember	X	
Darla McCrumb	Councilmember	X	
QUORUM MET (7 PRESENT)			

OTHERS PRESENT

Scott Graham, City Attorney
 Justin Weber, City Manager
 Shelly Umbanhowar, Clerk
 Paul Leonard, Police Officer

Ross Morang, Police Officer
 Derek Babcock, Fire Chief
 Ezekiel Drake, Code Enforcement
 Steve Lowder, DPW Director

Approximately 25 members of the public

4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

Motion to accept Regular Meeting 01/06/25 Agenda as Presented.	
RESULT:	CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember

5. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

a. **Consent Agenda**

Motion to accept Consent Agenda items: Regular Meeting Minutes 12/16/24 , Accounts Payable/Payroll: General Checking in the amount of \$94,673.61 and T&A Checking in the amount of \$72,674.54 .	
RESULT:	APPROVED (7 YES)
MOVER:	Amber Garcia, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Darla McCrumb, Councilmember
AYES:	Rivers, Muenzer, Uplinger, McCrumb, Farmer, Garcia, Martinez-Serratos

6. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Public comments heard.

7. REGULAR BUSINESS**a. Accept DDA Appointment of Charles Spreitzer**

Motion to accept DDA appointment of Charles Spreitzer.

RESULT: CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER: Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember

SECONDER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember

8. POSTPONED ITEMS

a. None.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. None.

10. NEW BUSINESS**a. Consideration of potential misconduct by Planning Commission Member**

City Attorney Graham presented to the Council his opinion on the facts in this situation. Brief discussion by the Council regarding the need for a public hearing.

Motion to give Steve Honeycutt a written notice that a public hearing will be held at the next regular council meeting on Tuesday, 01/21/25 regarding misconduct by a Planning Commission Member.

RESULT: APPROVED (7 YES)

MOVER: Darla McCrumb, Councilmember

SECONDER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember

AYES: Rivers, Muenzer, Uplinger, McCrumb, Farmer, Garcia, Martinez-Serratos

b. Annual Review and Acknowledgement of Ordinance #258 – Code of Ethics

There is brief review and discussion of the need for annual review and acknowledgement of this ordinance by each council member. The Council has reviewed and acknowledges this ordinance for the calendar year of 2025. Each councilmember will submit a signed annual acknowledgement form to the Clerk.

c. Rules of Procedures for the City Council

There is brief discussion regarding the need for rules of procedure for the City Council. City Attorney Graham recommends the council postpone this item to the next meeting so that each councilmember can thoroughly review and be ready to adopt at the next City Council meeting.

Motion to postpone the adoption of the Rules of Procedures for the City Council until the next regular City Council meeting on Tuesday, 01/21/25.

RESULT: CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER: Amber Garcia, Councilmember

SECONDER: Pati Martinez-Serratos, Mayor Pro Tem

11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT – NON AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments heard.

12. COUNCILMEMBER CLOSING COMMENTS

Councilmember comments were heard.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Motion to go into closed session for legal advice at 7:33 PM.

RESULTS: CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER: Amber Garcia, Councilmember

SECONDER: Darla McCrumb, Councilmember

14. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion to go back into open session for legal advice at 8:51 PM.

RESULTS: CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember

SECONDER: Jerry Muenzer, Councilmember

Motion to allow City Attorney Graham to file charges with the court against all parties involved in statements that have caused harm to the City.

RESULTS: APPROVED (7 Yes)

MOVER: Amber Garcia, Councilmember

SECONDER: Heléne Rivers, Councilmember

AYES: Rivers, Muenzer, Uplinger, McCrumb, Farmer, Garcia, Martinez-Serratos

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:52 PM.

RESULTS: CARRIED (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER: Jeremy Uplinger, Councilmember

SECONDER: Amber Garcia, 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, January 7, 2025**. These minutes were **approved by the City Council on Tuesday, January 21, 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