



# City of Hudson, Ohio

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### City Council

*William A. Currin, Mayor*

*David A. Basil, City Council President (Ward 2)*

*Hamilton DeSaussure, Jr., City Council Member (At-Large)*

*Dennis N. Hanink, City Council Member (Ward 1)*

*Alex D. Kelemen City Council Member (Ward 3)*

*Keith W. Smith, City Council Member (Ward 4)*

*J. Daniel Williams, City Council Member (At-Large)*

*William D. Wooldredge, City Council Member (At-Large)*

*Anthony J. Bales, City Manager*

*R. Todd Hunt, City Solicitor*

*Elizabeth A. Slagle, Clerk of Council*

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Wednesday, September 18, 2013

7:30 PM

Town Hall

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#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Currin called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:30 p.m.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

#### 3. Roll Call

**Present:** 7 - Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

*Staff in Attendance: Mr. Schroyer, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Hunt, City Solicitor; Mr. Knoblauch, Finance Director; Mr. Munn, Public Works Superintendent - Services; Mr. Sheridan, City Engineer; Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council.*

#### 4. Approval of the Minutes

##### A. [13-0134](#) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

*Attachments:* [Special Council Meeting Minutes 9-3-13 DRAFT](#)  
[Council Meeting Minutes 9-4-13 DRAFT Revised](#)  
[Workshop Minutes 9-10-13 DRAFT](#)

There being no changes, the above minutes were approved as submitted.

#### 5. Public Comments

*Mr. John Yanak, resident of 6752 Evergreen Drive and President of Janco Service Industries, spoke regarding the award of a contract for janitorial services for City buildings (Resolution No. 13-119). He said that Janco is a small Hudson business that currently holds this cleaning*

contract, but Janco's bid for the new contract period was \$1,355 more than the recommended company's bid. He commented on Janco's employee benefits, use of quality cleaning products, and the company's contributions to the Hudson community, and he asked that Council consider Janco for the contract award.

Mr. Rick Hanna, 153 E. Streetsboro Street and owner of property at 164 North Main Street, spoke against a proposal to move the North Main Street pedestrian crosswalk at Clinton and Aurora Streets to the north side of the intersection. He said that it would not improve traffic flow, would be inconvenient for pedestrians destined for Main Street businesses south of the intersection, and that the larger problems in downtown include parking and semi-truck and school bus traffic.

Mr. Ron Strobl, 24 Owen Brown Street, also spoke against moving the North Main Street crosswalk at Clinton and Aurora Streets. He agreed with Mr. Hanna and said that pedestrian safety would be at risk with the proposed location. He encouraged Council to leave the crosswalk at the current location.

Master John Kabat, 78 York Drive, spoke in favor of allowing residents to have backyard hens. He provided photographs of his family's hens, talked about the benefits of raising hens on their property, and submitted a petition signed by eleven neighbors who supported his efforts to keep hens in his family's backyard.

Mr. Patrick Martin, 4 Ellsworth Court, asked that Council consider establishing a committee to study the environmental impacts of nuclear plants.

## 6. Proclamations

### A. [13-0135](#)

#### A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING "SMALL BUSINESS MONTH."

**Executive Summary:** This Proclamation is in recognition of Hudson's small business community, its importance to the local economy, and the supportive efforts of the Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce and the Council of Smaller Enterprises (COSE).

**Attachments:** [Proclamation](#)

Mrs. Carolyn Konefal, President of the Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce, accepted the Proclamation and thanked Mayor Currin. She spoke regarding local activities and events intended to strengthen the local small business community, planned by the Chamber and the Council of Smaller Enterprises (COSE) during October. Mayor Currin thanked Mrs. Konefal for these support efforts and spoke of the importance of small businesses.

**Mayor Currin read this Proclamation in its entirety, recognizing the month of October as Small Business Month in Hudson, Ohio.**

## 7. Correspondence and Council Comments

Mr. DeSaussure commented regarding backyard hens and the benefit they provide by eating mosquitoes.

Mr. Wooldredge said that additional discussion at a future workshop meeting is needed regarding the issue of moving the North Main Street crosswalk at Clinton and Aurora Streets. He commented that the current location makes sense for pedestrians. Other Council members agreed that this topic merits additional discussion. It was noted that there was no decision made at the September 10, 2013, workshop.

Mayor Currin commented on Hudson Cable TV's professional coverage of last Friday's Hudson High School football game. He was impressed by the high quality recording, and he complimented

*Mr. Paluscsak, HCTV staff, and volunteers for their contributions.*

## Appointments

*Mr. Basil said that City Council voted to establish an Ad Hoc Connectivity Committee at the meeting of September 4, 2013 . He read the charge and purpose for this Committee as follows: The Connectivity Ad Hoc Committee created and appointed by Hudson City Council shall, working with staff, review and evaluate the preliminary plan and data prepared by staff on the Connectivity Plan Project and shall, using that body of work, forward to Council its suggestions and recommendations for a plan to provide safe and practicable community-wide non-vehicular connectivity. The Committee's recommendations shall include suggestions for prioritized implementation of the plan. The Committee may also recommend to Council opportunities for pursuit of outside funding and may suggest added issues the Committee believes warrant consideration by Council. The recommendations of the Committee shall be presented to Council by November 6, 2013.*

*Council members discussed expectations and the scope of the Committee's work.*

**A motion was made by Mr. Basil, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that the following individuals be appointed to serve on the Ad Hoc Connectivity Committee: Citizen members, including Mr. Michael Coburn, Mrs. Stacey Hackenberg, Mr. Greg Naples, and Mrs. Barb Zubenko; Council Members DeSaussure, Kelemen, and Smith; and City staff, including Mr. Bales, Mr. Schroyer, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Sheridan, and such other staff members as the City Manager deems appropriate to support the efforts of this Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

## 8. Report of Manager

*In Mr. Bales' absence, Mr. Schroyer requested that Council conduct an executive session to discuss matters concerning collective bargaining, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.*

*Mr. Schroyer also addressed the North Main Street crosswalk topic, stating that based on discussion at the September 10, 2013, Council workshop, staff will proceed with analyzing options for the intersection at Clinton and Aurora Streets and will bring findings to Council for further discussion.*

## 9. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Mr. Basil, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to suspend the rules as provided in Section 220.03 of the Codified Ordinances for passage of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge and Mr. Basil

## Approval of the Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge , seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil and Mr. DeSaussure

- A.**        [13-0133](#)        **A MOTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE TIMELY RECEIPT OF THE AUGUST 2013 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT.**  
***Executive Summary:*** Financial summaries are provided each month for Council's review.  
***Attachments:***        [August 2013 Financial Report](#)  
  
This Motion was approved.
- B.**        [13-115](#)        **A RESOLUTION TO CONSENT TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GUARDRAIL UPGRADES ON STATE ROUTES 91 AND 303 WITHIN THE CITY OF HUDSON LIMITS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**  
***Executive Summary:*** The Ohio Department of Transportation requires local consent legislation allowing its maintenance department to perform guardrail upgrades within the corporate limits of any municipality that the identified state routes transect.  
***Attachments:***        [ODOT Letter](#)  
                                 [Resolution No 13-115](#)  
  
This Resolution was adopted by suspending the rules.
- C.**        [13-116](#)        **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ASSIGN AN AMENDED JOB CREATION GRANT AGREEMENT FROM MDC ACQUISITION CO., LLC TO WBC GROUP, LLC; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**  
***Executive Summary:*** On May 19, 2010 Council passed Resolution 10-69 to authorize a Job Creation Agreement with Premier Development Partners, LLC to support the construction of a new headquarters and distribution center in the Hudson Crossing Business Park. On August 10, 2010 Council passed Resolution 10-98 to amend the aforementioned agreement, assigning it to MDC Acquisition Co., LLC. This amendment will allow this agreement to be assigned to the operating entity actually creating the jobs.  
***Attachments:***        [Resolution No 13-116](#)  
  
This Resolution was adopted by suspending the rules.
- E.**        [13-118](#)        **A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF HUDSON'S VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM.**  
***Executive Summary:*** This Resolution amends the Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) program by increasing the amount of contribution for the firefighters. This request was discussed during the budget process and was received favorably by City Council, however the change requires formal adoption of the amendment.  
***Attachments:***        [2011 LOSAP Staff Report](#)  
                                 [Resolution No 13-118](#)  
  
This Resolution was adopted by suspending the rules.

**G.**      [13-120](#)**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CARDINAL ASPHALT COMPANY, INC. FOR ASPHALT STREET REPAIRS.****Executive Summary:**

The Public Works Department budgets annually for contract asphalt road repairs for city streets. The Public Works Department seeks City Council approval to award this contract to Cardinal Asphalt Company.

**Attachments:**      [Full Depth Replacement Asphalt Bid Tab](#)  
[Resolution No 13-120](#)

**This Resolution was adopted by suspending the rules.**

**10.      Legislation**[13-117](#)**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GPD GROUP FOR A POST-CONSTRUCTION STUDY OF RAISED CROSSWALKS AND SUPPLEMENTAL TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES ON VARIOUS PUBLIC STREETS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**Executive Summary:** As part of the agreement with WRA regarding the installation of raised crosswalks and other traffic control within the WRA campus, the City of Hudson committed to undertake a post-construction.

**Attachments:**      [Resolution No 13-117](#)

*Mr. DeSaussure asked that this Resolution be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. He made the distinction that this Resolution pertains to crosswalks located in the Western Reserve Academy campus area, and does not pertain to the North Main Street crosswalk at Clinton and Aurora Streets.*

**A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Dr. Williams, to suspend the rules as provided in Section 220.03 of the Codified Ordinances for passage of Resolution No. 13-117. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure and Mr. Hanink

**A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink and Mr. Kelemen

[13-119](#)**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH M.A.T. CLEANING SERVICE FOR HOUSEKEEPING / CLEANING SERVICES.**

**Executive Summary:** The Public Works Department wishes to contract with M.A.T. Cleaning Service for general cleaning services for City offices and public buildings.

**Attachments:**      [2014 Cleaning Services Bid Tab](#)  
[Resolution No 13-119 \(as amended\)](#)

*Mr. Basil asked that this item be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. Mr. Wooldredge stated his preference for doing business with local companies. He questioned if*

*Council could give preference to a local company, or if Council must award contracts based only on the lowest and best bid. Mr. Basil said that tabling the motion would enable staff to review the matter and report back to Council. Also, Dr. Williams noted that the contract award amount contained in the legislation was different than the bid amount shown on the bid comparison document.*

**A motion was made by Mr. Basil, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that this Resolution be tabled, pending further discussion. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen and Mr. Smith

**This item will be discussed further at the Council Workshop on September 24, 2013.**

[13-121](#)

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SCHIRMER CONSTRUCTION FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM (PID 93606); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

***Executive Summary:*** This Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project will include the installation new electronic school crossing signals on N. Hayden Parkway near Evamere, Eastwood and McDowell Schools. The project also includes sidewalk installation along Glen Echo Drive from Hudson-Aurora Road to Victoria Parkway and a new crosswalk, with ADA ramps, and sidewalk installation on Middleton Road from Winterberry Drive to Ellsworth School. In addition, new bike racks will be purchased to be located on school properties.

***Attachments:*** [Resolution No 13-121](#)

*Mr. Kelemen asked that this Resolution be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. He asked for clarification regarding elements of the grant received. Mr. Sheridan said that the City received a grant award of \$210,000 for sidewalks, crosswalk, flashers, and school crossing signals. He explained that the contractor will utilize subcontractors. Mr. Kelemen noted that the City had applied for this grant three years ago.*

**A motion was made by Mr. Kelemen, seconded by Dr. Williams, to suspend the rules as provided in Section 220.03 of the Codified Ordinances for passage of Resolution No. 13-121. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith and Dr. Williams

**A motion was made by Mr. Basil, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

**A.** [13-114](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 220.03(d) AND 220.031(a) OF CHAPTER 220, "COUNCIL," OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES.**

***Executive Summary:*** In light of recent enhancements to the City's website and the public availability of meeting recordings, City Council will consider amending the City's Codified Ordinances governing the minutes of City Council meetings to accommodate both a written record and an audio/video recording record to serve as the minutes of Council meetings.

Attachments:     [Ordinance No 13-114](#)  
                          [Ordinance No 13-114 \(as amended\)](#)

Mayor Currin read the title of Ordinance No. 13-114, which constituted its second reading.

This item will be discussed further at the Council Workshop on September 24, 2013.

## 11.     **Executive Session**

*Mayor Currin recessed the regular meeting at 8:31 p.m.*

**A motion was made by Mr. Basil, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that Council enter into executive session to discuss matters concerning collective bargaining pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:**   7 -   Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge and Mr. Basil

*Mayor Currin reconvened the regular meeting at 9:04 p.m.*

**A motion was made by Mr. Basil, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that Council go out of executive session and into the regular meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:**   7 -   Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil and Mr. DeSaussure

## 12.     **Adjournment**

**There being no further business, Mayor Currin adjourned the Council meeting at 9:05 p.m.**

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**William A. Currin, Mayor**

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**Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council**