

City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor
Christopher W. Foster, President of Council (Ward 2)
Christopher A. Banweg, Council Member (At-Large)
Michael W. Bird, Council Member (Ward 4)
Patricia L. Goetz, Council Member (Ward 1)
Karen E. Heater, Council Member (At-Large)
Nicole V. Kowalski, Council Member (At-Large)
Skylar J. Sutton, Council Member (Ward 3)

Thomas J. Sheridan, City Manager Marshal Pitchford, City Solicitor & Special Counsel Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

6:45 PM

Town Hall 27 East Main Street

Special Workshop beginning at 6:45 p.m.; Executive Session at 7:00 p.m.; followed by Regular Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Special Workshop:

1. Call to Order

Mayor Anzevino called to order the workshop of Hudson City Council at 6:45 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22, and he handed the workshop over to President of Council Foster, in accordance with Council Rules.

Present: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

Others & Staff in Attendance: Mr. Griffith, Assistant City Manager and Mr. Leiter, HCTV Production Assistant.

2. Correspondence and Council Comments

None.

3. Proposed Additions to the Consent Agenda for October 21, 2025, Council Meeting

A. 25-160

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MUTUAL HEALTH SERVICES (MHS) FOR CERTAIN HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SERVICES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: The City of Hudson provides certain health benefits

(medical and prescription drug coverage) to regular full-time city employees. The attached legislation seeks Council's authorization for the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mutual Health Services (MHS) to provide claims administration for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

Attachments: Resolution No. 25-160

Resolution No. 25-160 was forwarded to the October 21, 2025, Council meeting.

B. 25-161 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TRUERX FOR CERTAIN HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SERVICES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: The City of Hudson provides certain health benefits (medical and prescription drug coverage) to regular full-time city employees. The attached legislation seeks Council's authorization for the City Manager to enter into a contract with TrueRX to provide prescription drug administration for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

Attachments: Resolution No. 25-161

Resolution No. 25-161 was forwarded to the October 21, 2025, Council meeting.

C. <u>25-162</u> A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH NATIONWIDE LIFE INSURANCE FOR CERTAIN HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SERVICES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: The City of Hudson provides certain health benefits (medical and prescription drug coverage) to regular full-time city employees. The attached legislation seeks Council's authorization for the City Manager to enter into a contract with Nationwide Life Insurance to provide stop loss insurance for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

Attachments: Resolution No. 25-162

In response to a question, Mr. Griffith explained that quotes are issued on the 15th of each month and require approval by the 15th of the following month. Since November's meetings were scheduled near the end of the month, these items were subsequently included in the Special Workshop.

Resolution No. 25-162 was forwarded to the October 21, 2025, Council meeting.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business, Council President Foster adjourned the special workshop at 6:48 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

1. Call to Order

Mayor Anzevino called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

Present: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

Staff in Attendance: Mr. Sheridan, City Manager; Mr. Pitchford, City Solicitor & Special Counsel; Ms. Wheeler, Clerk of Council; Mr. Griffith, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Financial/Special Projects; Mr. Kosco, City Engineer; and Mr. Leiter, HCTV Production Assistant.

2. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Banweg, to enter into executive session to interview an applicant for Planning Commission. Invited to executive session were all members of Council, the Mayor, and the applicant. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

Mayor Anzevino recessed the regular meeting to enter executive session at 7:00 p.m. He resumed the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

4. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

5. Approval of the Minutes

A. <u>25-0122</u> Minutes of Previous Council Meetings

Brief Description: Draft minutes of previous meetings are provided for City Council's review and approval.

<u>Attachments:</u> October 7, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes - Draft
October 14, 2025 Council Workshop Minutes - Draft

A motion was made by Mr. Banweg, seconded by Mrs. Heater, that the minutes be approved as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton and Mr. Banweg

6. Proclamations

A. 25-0123

Special Recognition of the "Take a Second, Make a Difference" Initiative Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino will proclaim October 24, 2025, as "Take a Second, Make a Difference" Day in Hudson, Ohio.

Attachments: Take a Second Make a Difference 2025

Ms. Laura Jones and Ms. Jennifer Fisher accepted the proclamation and made comments.

Mayor Anzevino read the proclamation in its entirety.

7. Public Comments

None.

8. Correspondence and Council Comments

Mrs. Kowalski announced that she will be holding an open forum on November 6th, starting at 6:30 p.m., at Barlow Community Center.

Dr. Goetz provided a Cemetery Board update.

Mrs. Heater provided a Park Board update.

Dr. Bird acknowledged the Boy Scouts that were in attendance.

Mr. Foster thanked Mrs. Heater, Dr. Goetz, Ms. Sarah Norman, and Ms. Jessi Obert for attending the Clinton Crossing meeting as they discussed the RFP for downtown.

Mayor Anzevino stated that he would be attending the "Take a Second, Make a Difference" on Friday, as well as the Mayors Association meeting and speaking to third graders next Tuesday.

9. Report of Manager

Mr. Sheridan stated that Citywide Trick-or-Treat is Friday, October 31 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.; leaf collection begins the week of October 27 in the Northeast and Southwest quadrant; the annual Veterans' Day ceremony will be held on Tuesday, November 11 at the Boy Scout Cabin Green, the location of the Tinkers Creek Watershed Study public meeting has moved to the high school auditorium; and that he would be out of state for the October 28 Workshop.

10. Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Banweg, that Fred Innamorato be appointed to a full term on the Planning Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg and Dr. Bird

Nav: 1 - Mrs. Kowalski

Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Sutton, that Sarah Norman be appointed to a full term on the Planning Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mrs. Heater, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg and Mr. Foster

Nav: 2 - Mrs. Kowalski and Dr. Bird

Abstain: 1 - Dr. Goetz

11. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Banweg, to suspend the rule requiring three readings for the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster and Dr. Goetz

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Heater, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz and Mrs. Heater

A. 25-0124 A Motion to Acknowledge the Timely Receipt of the September 2025 Monthly Financial Report

Brief Description: Financial summaries are provided each month for Council's review.

Attachments: September 2025 Financial Report

Motion No. 25-0124 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. 25-158 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH THE TRANSFER OF VACANT LAND THROUGH THE SIDE LOT AND VACANT LAND TRANSFER PROGRAM OF THE SUMMIT COUNTY LAND BANK, AN OHIO NONPROFIT COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION.

Brief Description: Summit County Land Bank offers a Side Lot and Vacant Land Transfer Program. The intent of the program is to reclaim, rehabilitate and reutilize vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property in Summit County.

Attachments: Boston Park vacant parcel transfer map - 10.1.25

SCLB transfer notification 9.29.25

Resolution No. 25-158

Resolution No. 25-158 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN EMERGENCY AGREEMENT WITH MAGNETECH INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, INC. FOR THE REPAIR OF A 12.47 KV TRANSFORMER AT THE CITY'S SOUTH MAIN ST SUBSTATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: On August 13th, the City of Hudson experienced a significant lightning storm in the vicinity of the South Main Street Substation, resulting in damage to one of the substation transformers. Magnetech Industrial Services was engaged to perform the removal, disassembly, and evaluation of the affected transformer.

Attachments: M211310 Hudson Public Power 10 MVA Rewind Assembly Testing

<u>Delivery and Installation (002)</u> Resolution No. 25-159

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Attachments: Resolution No. 25-162

Resolution No. 25-162 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

12. Legislation

Α. 25-144 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RECORD PROTECTIVE COVENANTS FOR THE CITY-OWNED PARCEL AT 996 HINES HILL ROAD.

Brief Description: The Community Development Department is pursuing JobsOhio's SiteOhio program for 996 Hines Hill Road with the goal of generating more high-quality leads for the acreage. One of the requirements for a site to become authenticated in the program is to record protective covenants.

Attachments: Council Memo - 996 Hines Hill Road Protective Covenants

996 Hines Hill Road Protective Covenants Draft

996 Hines Hill Road Protective Covenants Draft 10.3 - Tracked Changes

from JobsOhio

996 Hines Hill Road Protective Covenants Draft 10.3 - JobsOhio Approved

Resolution No. 25-144

A motion was made by Mr. Banweg, seconded by Dr. Bird, that Resolution No. 25-144 be adopted on third reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

> Aye: 7 - Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater and Mrs. Kowalski

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADOPT B. 25-145 THE SITE NAME "HUDSON INNOVATION PARK" AND DEVELOP SITE BRANDING FOR THE CITY-OWNED PARCEL AT 996 HINES HILL ROAD.

Brief Description: The Community Development Department is pursuing JobsOhio's SiteOhio program authentication for 996 Hines Hill Road with the goal of generating more high-quality leads for the acreage. One of the recommendations for authentication is to develop a site name and branding.

Attachments: Council Memo - 996 Hines Hill Road Branding

Resolution No. 25-145

A motion was made by Mr. Banweg, seconded by Mrs. Heater, that Resolution No. 25-145 be adopted on third reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

> Aye: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

C. 25-147

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AN EXISTING 2.9 MILL TAX LEVY AND INCREASE IT BY 0.6 MILL, FOR A TOTAL OF 3.5 MILLS IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE HUDSON LIBRARY AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY, AND REQUESTING THE SUMMIT COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER TO CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE CITY AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THAT LEVY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: This resolution is a declaration of necessity that will allow the Library levy to be placed on the May 5, 2026 ballot.

Attachments: Resolution No. 25-147

Resolution No. 25-147 (revised for 10-7-25)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 25-147, which constituted its third reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Dr. Bird, that Resolution No. 25-147 be approved as amended to the version dated October 7, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton and Mr. Banweg

D. <u>25-157</u>

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A RULE TO ALLOW THE EFFICIENT POSTPONEMENT OF A LEGISLATIVE ITEM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

<u>Brief Description:</u> City Council seeks to streamline and clarify its parliamentary process for postponing items to a date certain.

Attachments: Ordinance No. 25-157

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 25-157, which constituted its second reading.

E. <u>25-163</u>

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 410.01, SCHEDULE I, "EXISTING POSTED SPEED LIMITS," OF THE TRAFFIC CODE TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT FROM 45 MILES PER HOUR TO 35 MILES PER HOUR ON HINES HILL ROAD BETWEEN THE WESTERN CORPORATION LINE TO PROSPECT STREET; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: During the preliminary design of the Hines Hill Road Bridge project, it was determined that the speed limit along Hines Hill Road from the western corporation line to Prospect Street should be lowered from 45 mph to 35 mph.

Attachments: Ordinance No. 25-163

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 25-163, which constituted its first reading.

F. 25-164 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING IN CONCEPT THE CITY OF HUDSON

FIVE-YEAR PLAN 2026-2030.

Brief Description: This resolution adopts in concept the City's Five-Year

Plan.

Attachments: Council Memo - Five Year Plan Highlights 2026- 2030

Exhibit A: 2026 - 2030 Five Year Plan - Original Draft 10-14-2025

Schedule for 2026 - 2030 Five Yr Plan & Budget - 1-1-2025

Changes to 2026-2030 Five Year Plan (for 10-21-25)

Resolution No. 25-164

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 25-164, which constituted its first reading.

G. 25-165

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF HUDSON, COUNTY OF SUMMIT, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026

Brief Description: This Ordinance establishes the City's budget for 2026.

Attachments: Ordinance No. 25-165

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 25-165, which constituted its first reading.

H. 25-166 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BEAVER EXCAVATING REGARDING THE USE OF PARCEL 3009781 AS A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION YARD.

Brief Description: Beaver Excavating is stating a need to utilize the current construction yard until July 5, 2026, the end date of the lease agreement. Since the City purchased the property while the lease from the previous owner was still in effect, the Solicitors office recommends a settlement agreement to allow the use of the property under the expired permit until the lease expiration and to require liquidated damages to ensure they vacate per the lease expiration in July and that the site be properly restored.

<u>Attachments:</u> Stow Rd Executed Property Agreement

Stow Rd Property Permit Extension Request #3 July 2025

Resolution No. 25-166

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 25-166, which constituted its first reading.

I. 25-167 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE RELEVANT TO SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS.

<u>Brief Description:</u> Proposed amendment to the Land Development Code regarding the submittal requirements of Appendix A

Attachments: PC Recommendation Submittal Requirements

Exhibit A: Redline Changes to Council

Ordinance No. 25-167

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 25-167, which constituted its first reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Banweg, to refer Ordinance No. 25-167 to the Planning Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg and Dr. Bird

J. 25-168 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF LAND WHERE A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT HAS BEEN RECENTLY ISSUED.

Brief Description: This ordinance will amend the Land Development Code to reasonably and temporarily limit the transfer (sale) of land where a conditional use permit has recently been issued.

Attachments: Ordinance No. 25-168

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 25-168, which constituted its first reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Banweg, seconded by Mr. Sutton, to refer Ordinance No. 25-168 to the Planning Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird and Mr. Foster

K. 25-169 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO A RETROACTIVE AMENDMENT TO THE CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH THOMAS J. SHERIDAN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

<u>Brief Description:</u> City Council will take action pertaining to City Manager Thomas Sheridan's Employment Agreement and his annual review.

<u>Attachments:</u> Exhibit A: Sheridan Employment Contract Amendment - 2025

Resolution No. 25-169

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 25-169, which constituted its first reading.

L. 25-170 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S TRAIN STOP ON FEBRUARY 15, 1861, ON THE SITE OF THE FORMER HUDSON RAILROAD DEPOT.

Brief Description: The City Administration discussed in August 2025 this commemorative plaque that was erected several years ago near the site of the former Hudson train depot commemorating President-Elect Abraham Lincoln's stop in Hudson on February 15, 1861 on his route to Washington D.C. for his first inauguration.

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Abraham Lincoln Plaque</u>

Existing Site Location Map

Historical Map

Resolution No. 25-170

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 25-170, which constituted its first reading.

13. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Dr. Bird, to enter into executive session to discuss the employment of public employee and the potential acquisition of real estate for public purposes. Invited to the executive session were all members of Council, the Mayor, the City Engineer, the Assistant City Manager, the City Solicitor, and the City Manager. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster and Dr. Goetz

Mayor Anzevino recessed the regular meeting to enter executive session at 8:00 p.m. He reconvened the regular meeting at 9:00 p.m.

14. Adjournment

rey L. Anzevino, Mayor
rna Wheeler, Clerk of Counc

Brian Griffith, Clerk of Council Pro Tempore

Upon approval by City Council, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording, excluding executive sessions, in accordance with Codified Ordinances, Section 220.03(d), Rules.