



# City of Portland

Portland, Michigan

Minutes of the City Council Meeting

**Held on Monday, February 3, 2025**

In the City Council Chambers at City Hall

259 Kent St., Portland, MI 48875

Present: Mayor Pro-Tem VanSlambrouck, Council Members Fitzsimmons, Johnston, and Sheehan; City Manager Dymczyk; City Clerk Miller; Police Chief Thomas; Police Officer McCrory; DDA Director ConnerWellman; Electric Superintendent Davlin

Absent: Mayor Barnes

Guests: Kathy Parsons

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Pro-Tem VanSlambrouck with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Fitzsimmons, supported by Sheehan, to approve the proposed agenda as presented.

Yeas: Fitzsimmons, Sheehan, VanSlambrouck, Johnston

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

Motion by Sheehan, supported by Johnston, to excuse the absence of Mayor Barnes.

Yeas: Sheehan, Johnston, VanSlambrouck, Fitzsimmons

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

There was no public comment.

Under City Manager Report, City Manager Dymczyk reported on recent and upcoming activities.

Under Presentations, DDA Director ConnerWellman not present.

Under New Business, the Council considered Resolution 25-02 to approve energy purchases through the Michigan Public Power Agency for calendar years 2027 to 2030 to comply with the Energy Service Stability Hedge Plan strategy.

Motion by Fitzsimmons, supported by Sheehan, to approve Resolution 25-02 approving energy purchases through the Michigan Public Power Agency.

Yeas: Fitzsimmons, Sheehan, VanSlambrouck, Johnston

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

The Council considered Resolution 25-03 to approve the 2025-2045 Portland Municipal Utility PA 235 Renewable Energy Plan (REP) as required by the Clean and Renewable Energy and Energy Waste Reduction Act. The purpose of the REP is to outline plans to meet renewable energy compliance requirements for each year through 2045. The plan assumes the Michigan Public Power Agency will contract power supply that includes Renewable Energy Credits bundled with energy and capacity from renewable sources.

Motion by Johnston, supported by Sheehan, to approve Resolution 25-03 approving the 2025-2045 Portland Municipal Utility PA 235 Renewable Energy Plan.

Yeas: Johnston, Sheehan, VanSlambrouck, Fitzsimmons

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

The Council considered Resolution 25-04 approving Change Order No. 8 in the amount of \$103,137.00 to the Design-Build Contract with F&V Construction for Wastewater System Improvements to provide retaining wall demolition and improvements.

Motion by Fitzsimmons, supported by Johnston, to approve Resolution 25-04 approving Change Order No. 8 to the Design-Build Contract with F&V Construction for Wastewater System Improvements.

Yeas: Fitzsimmons, Johnston, VanSlambrouck, Sheehan

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

The Council considered Resolution 25-05 confirming the Mayor's appointment to City Boards and Commissions.

Motion by Johnston, supported by Sheehan, to confirm the Mayor's appointment to City Boards and Commissions.

Yeas: Johnston, Sheehan, VanSlambrouck, Fitzsimmons

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

DDA Director ConnerWellman arrived after experiencing technical difficulties preparing her report for the meeting and reported on downtown activities.

Motion by Fitzsimmons, supported by Sheehan, to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the Minutes and Synopsis from the Regular City Council Meeting and the Minutes of the Closed Session held on January 20, 2025, payment of invoices in the amount of \$101,223.85 and payroll in the amount of \$160,029.89, for a total of \$261,253.74. Purchase orders to Power Line Supply in the amount of \$14,320.00 for two 100 kva submersible transformers, Power Line Supply in the amount of \$14,839.00 for a 3-phase transformer, Valley City Sign in the amount of \$16,569.00 for downtown signage, and Pleune Mechanical in the amount of \$19,098.56 to replace the oil filter and install auto drains on the Nordberg Engine Air Start System were also included.

Yeas: Fitzsimmons, Sheehan, VanSlambrouck, Johnston

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

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There were no additional City Manager comments.

Under Council Member Comments, Council Member Johnston stated the PHS Drama Club will perform Anastasia at Portland High School on March 6-9, 2025.

Mayor Pro-Tem VanSlambrouck reminded residents to keep an eye on river levels.

Motion by Johnston, supported by Sheehan, to adjourn the regular meeting.

Yeas: Johnston, Sheehan, VanSlambrouck, Fitzsimmons

Nays: None

Absent: Barnes

Adopted

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Joel VanSlambrouck, Mayor Pro-Tem

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Monique I. Miller, City Clerk