



# City of Portland

Portland, Michigan

Minutes of the City Council Meeting

**Held on Monday, April 21, 2025**

In the City Council Chambers at City Hall

259 Kent St., Portland, MI 48875

Present: Mayor Barnes, Mayor Pro-Tem VanSlambrouck, Council Members Fitzsimmons, Johnston, and Sheehan; City Manager Dymczyk; City Clerk Miller; Police Chief Thomas; Finance Director Tolan

Guests: Kathy Parsons; Tim Fuller

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

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

Yeas: VanSlambrouck, Johnston, Barnes

Nays: None

Adopted

Under Public Comment, Tim Fuller presented information regarding the issue he has been having in regard to the need for a Soil Erosion Permit for soil he placed along the river bank of the Grand River to support his building.

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

Under Presentations, Mayor Barnes presented the Arbor Day Proclamation.

Under New Business, the Council considered Resolution 25-24 to approve a permit for a fireworks display at the Bogue Flats Recreation Area on Friday, June 27, 2025, to celebrate Independence Day.

Motion by VanSlambrouck, supported by Sheehan, to approve Resolution 25-24 approving, authorizing, and directing the Mayor to Sign a Permit for a fireworks display at Bogue Flats Recreation Area.

Yeas: VanSlambrouck, Sheehan, Fitzsimmons, Johnston, Barnes

Nays: None

Adopted

Motion by Johnston, supported by Fitzsimmons, to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the Minutes and Synopsis from the Regular City Council Meeting held on April 7, 2025, payment of invoices in the amount of \$104,658.67 and payroll in the amount of \$172,798.59, for a total of \$277,457.26. Purchase orders to Haviland in the amounts of \$7,920.00 for Havaflok Polymer and \$11,687.00 for Ferric Chloride for the Wastewater Treatment Plant were included.

Yeas: Johnston, Fitzsimmons, VanSlambrouck, Sheehan, Barnes

Nays: None

Adopted

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There were no further City Manager comments.

Under Council Member Comments, Mayor Pro-Tem VanSlambrouck noted the VFW will host a Burger Night on Friday, April 25, 2025 from 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.

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

Yeas: Johnston, Fitzsimmons, VanSlambrouck, Sheehan, Barnes

Nays: None

Adopted

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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James E. Barnes, Mayor

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Monique I. Miller, City Clerk