

CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF COOPERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL, 289 DANFORTH ST.; COOPERSVILLE, MICHIGAN

November 10, 2025

Present:	Council Member Bowman	Council Member Poelma
	Council Member Degeus	Council Member Weise
	Council Member Gavin	Mayor Bush
	Council Member Gerard	

Absent: NONE

Additions/Corrections to Agenda NONE

Scheduled Guests & Public Hearings

Ottawa County District 11 County Commissioner Allison Miedema with County Updates

Allison Miedema, Ottawa County District 11 Commissioner reported on the following:

- Pancake Breakfast for the Veterans at the Community Services building this morning was nice and she hopes that this will be an annual event.
- Budget-County has a “AAA” standing. They are currently working with County Staff on what services in the County are required/not required.
- TIF Grants, (EPA Assessment Grants)- County received \$500,000.
- Ottawa County received a National Award for the “Ottawa Stands” film.
- Community Mental Health update.
- County Administrator Search – Patrick Waterman will be the new County Administrator
- Public Act 233 stripped the local municipalities of control and caused much confusion. Ms. Miedema invited communication on this from the Council.
- Many volunteer opportunities are available in the County. Go to miottawa.org to find these opportunities.
- Verse from “Charlie Kirk” was shared.

Citizens Input and Suggestions

Resident Jamie Adams congratulated the Council Members that were re-elected on November 4, 2025.

Jamie stated that she will continue to stay involved, and she is not going away.

Jamie also stated that Council Member Weise is open to communication, and she hopes that it continues.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Gavin to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the following: Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 104)

- *Minutes of the City Council Meeting of October 13, 2025*
- *Fund Balance Report End of FY 2024-2025*
- *First Quarter of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Financials*
- *Checks through November 10, 2025, Totaling \$3,085,813.39*
- *Council Information Packet*

Petitions and Communications

Discussion - Proposed Amendment to add Subsection (h) to Section 1040.10 Meters

Eight residents have not responded to any of the calls from City Staff for the upgrading of their meters.

City Manager, Dennis Luce stated that if someone does not like the location of where the new meter will be placed on their home, the meter location can be changed.

No further discussion or action was taken.

A “public hearing” will be held in December for the proposed amended ordinance.

Discussion – 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan Review

City Manager Dennis Luce presented the 2026 Community Parks and Recreation Plan for review.

There were no discussion or comments.

City Manager, Dennis Luce stated that a “public hearing” will be held on the Parks and Recreation Plan at the December 2025 meeting.

Discussion/Action – Approval of the Master Contract to Join the Muskegon County Wastewater System

Motion by Council Member Bowman with second by Council Member Poelma to approve the Master Contract to join the Muskegon County Wastewater System. Motion carried with Council Member Gavin abstaining. (2025 – 105)

Discussion/Action – Civic Plus Archiving and Monitoring Services

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to approve the Option #2 quote from Civic Plus Archiving and Monitoring Services for a One (1) Year contract for Social Media Archiving/Monitoring Services and Website Archiving/Snapshots with a One-Time Activation Fee of \$1,000 and Annual Subscription Cost of \$4,672.20, which includes a 35% discount, and a 5% increase in year two. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 106)

Discussion/Action – Social Media Management and Engagement

Much discussion was held by Council, on whether, to turn on the comments on all City Social Media sites.

City Manager Dennis Luce stated that we have a small office staff, and we cannot monitor the Social Media sites all the time.

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to leave the “commenting” off on the city hall’s Facebook page, turn “commenting” back on, on the Recreation and Discover Coopersville Facebook pages, and approval to grant the City Manager the authority to turn the “commenting” off on the Recreation and Discover Coopersville Facebook pages if needed. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 107)

Discussion/Action – Installation of Blinking Red Traffic Lights at Randall Street/64th Avenue

Motion by Council Member Gerard with second by Council Member Gavin to approve the quote from Strain Electric totaling \$28,900 for the installation of blinking red traffic lights at Randall Street and 64th Avenue. Motion carried Unanimously. (2025 – 108)

Recognition and Comments of Outgoing Mayor Bush

Mayor Pro-Tem/Council Member Gavin read and presented Mayor Bush with a Proclamation for his forty (40) years of service to the City of Coopersville.

Citizens Input/Suggestions

Resident, Jamie Adams stated that the meeting agendas are supposed to be sent to her. Jamie stated that Kate Terpstra told her there was an issue. Jamie also asked if the city could take comments on their Facebook page through “messenger” as email is not working.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Dennis Luce reported on the following:

- Local Bridge Advisory Board presentation on October 23rd in Lansing to request funding for the Main Street Bridge – Conditional Award of \$3M for a replacement in 2028.
- SOS Mobile Office 2026 dates: January 5th, April 6th, July 7th, October 5th
- Elections- Thank you to Mayor Ken Bush it has been a pleasure. Congratulations to Mayor Brian Mooney, we are excited to work with you.
- Republic Services shared concerns regarding Fall Cleanup Day- outside trash dropped off within the city. Collected 42.3 Tons – far more tonnage than much larger cities.
- Senior Recreation Services- A lot of discussion regarding transportation services- services avail. Transportation is an issue in all rural communities,
 - Ready Ride Transportation Services – Fee Associated
 - Four-Pointes are still required to provide transportation services, but they need drivers. If there are residents, they can volunteer w/ 4-Pointes and get millage and service only the Coopersville area.
 - Local Churches offer assistance to their members. (Faith Community & Church of the Savior help people find rides).
 - Family, Friends, or Neighbors, Kate is a resource to find help for people when needed.
 - Insurance Companies collaborate with doctor's offices for medical appointments, too.

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman reported on the November 2025 Election.

City Treasurer Keri Rogers

Thanked Mayor Bush for his service, stating further that it is going to be strange to come to the meetings without him being here.

Mayor Bush's report on the following:

Mayor Bush stated that he has served the city for a long time and the city is “my heart.” Mayor Bush also stated that people need to stay involved and he appreciates everyone.

Adjournment

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 P.M. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 109)

Kenneth Bush, Mayor

Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk

Installation of New Members

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman administered the Oath of Office to Mayor, Brian Mooney and Council Members Shane Gerard, Jillian Poelma, and Peter Weise at 8:10 P.M.

NEW MEETING: Called to Order 8:14 P.M.

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	Council Member Degeus	Council Member Weise
	Council Member Gavin	Mayor Mooney
	Council Member Gerard	

Absent: NONE

Additions/Communications NONE

Petitions and Communications

Discussion/Action – Resolution to adopt the 2026 City Board Meeting Schedule

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to adopt the 2026 City Boards Meeting Schedule. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 110)

Discussion/Action – Fire Authority Board: Two Regular Members

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Poelma to approve the appointment of Council Member Gerard and Council Member Degeus to the Fire Authority Board. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 111)

Discussion/Action – Planning Commission: One Council Member Appointment

No recommendations or appointments were made to the Planning Commission.

Discussion/Action – DDA Board: One Council Member Appointment

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to reappoint Council Member Gerard to the DDA Board. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 112)

Discussion/Action – Zoning Board of Appeals: One Council Member Appointment

Motion by Council Member Degeus with second by Council Member Poelma to appoint Council Member Bowman to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 113)

Discussion/Action – Recreation Board: Two Council Members Appointment

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to approve the appointments of Council Member Gerard and Council Member Poelma to the Recreation Board. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 114)

Discussion/Action – Mayor Pro Tempore: One Council Member Appointment

Motion by Council Member Weise with second by Council Member Degeus to reappoint Mayor Pro Tempore/Council Member Gavin as Mayor Pro Tempore. Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 115)

City Manager Dennis Luce Congratulated outgoing Mayor Bush and the new Mayor Mooney.

City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Kimberly Borgman thanked Mayor Bush for his service to the city.

City Treasurer's Report

City Treasurer, Keri Rogers congratulated the new Mayor Mooney.

Mayor Mooney's Comments

Mayor Mooney stated that he has worked with some of the Council Members and Staff in the past and he is looking forward to new accomplishments.

Adjournment

Motion by Council Member Degeus with second by Council Member Poelma to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 P.M.
Motion carried unanimously. (2025 – 116)

Brian Mooney, Mayor

Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk