

**LAPEER CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MAY 19, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Lapeer City Commission was held May 19, 2025, at the Lapeer City Hall, 576 Liberty Park, Lapeer, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Marquardt.

Commissioners: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Absent: None.

City Manager: Mike Womack, present.

City Attorney: T. Allen Francis, present.

Mayor Marquardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Police Chief Howe performed the swearing-in of Patrol Officer Daniel Horen.

90 2025 05-19 AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Swindell.

Approve the Agenda for May 19, 2025, as presented.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

91 2025 05-19 MINUTES

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held May 5, 2025, as presented.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brad Haggadone, Lapeer County Commissioner, provided an update to the City Commission regarding the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners' proceedings.

James Alt, spoke about the DDA Development/TIF Plan public hearing.

Greg Wise, Metamora Township, spoke in honor of Sergeant C. Bonesteel.

Jacob LaRoy, Mayfield Township, spoke about the proposed budget.

Stephanie Hamilton, Lapeer Township, spoke about the proposed budget.

Melissa Petrie gave an invocation.

92 2025 05-19 CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Swindell.

Approve the consent agenda for May 19, 2025, as presented:

1. Special Event: Special Event: DDA Summer Concert Series, Thursdays, June 12 – August 21, 2025, Pocket Park, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
2. Special Event: DDA Porchfest, Saturday, July 19, 2025, downtown Lapeer, from Noon to 6:00 p.m.
3. Special Event: DDA Sidewalk Sale, Friday, July 25, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 26, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. downtown Lapeer.
4. Special Event: Lapeer Optimist Club, Nightmare on Nepeessing, Saturday, October 11, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. downtown Lapeer.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

93 2025 05-19 BILL LISTING

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

Approve the bill listing for May 19, 2025, in the amount of \$475,835.36.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PROCLAMATION, RECOGNITIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

94 2025 05-19 PROCLAMATION – SERGEANT CHARLES BONESTEEL

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

Adopt the proclamation in recognition of Sergeant Charles Bonesteel, as presented.

**CITY OF LAPEER
Proclamation
In Recognition of Charles Bonesteel**

WHEREAS, Officer Charles Bonesteel, officially began his career with the City of Lapeer Police Department on July 11, 1991, as Police Reserve Officer; he rose through the ranks to be promoted to Patrolman in 1993; and Patrolman I in 1998; and, then promoted to Police Sergeant in 2002; promoted to Sergeant II in 2008; and was again promoted to Sergeant III in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bonesteel, while performing his duties serving the citizens of the City of Lapeer, has received the Lapeer City Police Award of Merit (2019); Lapeer City Police Department Officer of the Year (2024), as well as letters of thank you and of appreciation for his efforts; all while safeguarding life and the innocent in the City of Lapeer; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bonesteel has devoted his time and effort to training and education which includes Emergency Management, National Fire Academy, Police Update III – EVO, Basic TAC, and many other In-Service Training sessions; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bonesteel has brought a vast range of skills and expertise in the aspects of police administration and a wealth of experience from proudly serving this community for over 32 years; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bonesteel will retire on May 29, 2025, after having given conscientious, responsible, and professional service to the citizens of the City of Lapeer and leaves those in the City of Lapeer proud to have known him and to have served with him.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN, that I, Mayor Debbie Marquardt, and the Lapeer City Commission wish to honor and express deep appreciation to **Charles Bonesteel** for his efforts and devotion to public service and wish him continued success in his retirement.

Dated the 19th day of May 2025.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

95 2025 05-19 FY2025-2026 BUDGET – PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Marquardt opened the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

There being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed at 6:53 p.m.

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

Adopt the Budget Resolution of the City of Lapeer for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and make appropriations therefore, and the first year of the proposed Capital Improvement Program FY2025-2026 through FY 2030-2031.

**RESOLUTION #2025-09
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT**

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE BUDGET
OF THE CITY OF LAPEER FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025, TO JUNE 30, 2026
AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS THEREFORE**

WHEREAS, the City Charter requires: That the City Manager submit a budget proposal with his recommendation to the City Commission; that a public hearing be held on said budget proposal; that the City Commission by resolution adopt a budget for the ensuing fiscal year, making an appropriation of the money needed therefore, and designating the sum to be raised by taxation; and

WHEREAS, the Manager has submitted said budget and recommendations along with the proposed tax millage to be levied and a public hearing has been held thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as provided in the City Charter, and in conformity to Public Act 621 of 1978, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, that the budgets attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference are hereby considered and adopted, to be administered on fund level, as the budgets of the City of Lapeer to cover the operations and expenditures thereof for the fiscal year July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in addition to the levy of a City Income Tax in accordance with the State's Uniform City Income Tax Act, the sum of \$3,601,000 be raised by taxation from the levy of 9.8000 mills on the ad Valorum tax roll and 4.9000 mills on the IFT tax roll for operations on the assessed value of all real and personal property in the City as follows:

General Operation.....	9.8000 mills	\$3,590,000
General Operation.....	4.9000 mills	\$ 11,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Manager be authorized to transfer necessary amounts between activities (departments) within a fund and up to \$5,000 between funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this budget resolution be furnished to the City Assessor, who together with the City Treasurer, shall then proceed to assess and collect the taxes in accordance with the City Charter and State Statutes.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Brady, Glisman, Swindell, Atwood.

Nays: Petrie.

MOTION CARRIED 4-1.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

96 2025 05-19 2025 CITY OF LAPEER FEE SCHEDULE

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Petrie.

Adopt the City of Lapeer Fee Schedule, effective July 1, 2025, as presented.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Ayes: Glisman, Petrie, Swindell, Atwood, Brady.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

**97 2025 05-19 2025-26 DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
OPERATING BUDGET**

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

Adopt the 2025-26 Downtown Development Authority Operating Budget, as presented.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Ayes: Petrie, Swindell, Atwood, Brady, Glisman.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

**98 2025 05-19 2025-26 COMPONENT UNIT BUDGET AND 2024-25
AMENDMENTS**

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

Adopt the 2025-26 budgets for the Local Development Finance Authority; Brownfield Redevelopment Authority; Tax Increment Finance Authority's 1, 2, and 3; Tax Increment Finance Authority Trust; Economic Development Corporation and the current year budget amendments.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Ayes: Swindell, Atwood, Glisman.

Nays: Brady, Petrie.

MOTION CARRIED 3-2.

99 2025 05-19 DELINQUENT 2017 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

Approve adding the delinquent 2017 Special Assessments to the 2025 Summer Tax Roll.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

100 2025 05-19 ENGINEERING FOR DEMOLITION – 18 E. NEPESSING

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

Approve the proposal with WSP for a Due Care Plan, Demolition Cost Estimate, and Conceptual Rendering for 18 E. Nepessing, for an amount not to exceed \$21,207.70, and authorize the Director of Housing and Neighborhood Development or City Manager to sign the necessary documents.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Ayes: Brady, Glisman, Swindell, Atwood.

Nays: Petrie.

MOTION CARRIED 4-1.

101 2025 05-19 SET PUBLIC HEARING – DDA DEVELOPMENT/TIF PLAN RENEWAL

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Brady.

Approve setting a public hearing on Monday, June 16, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard regarding the renewal of the Downtown Development Authority's 10-year Development and TIF Plan.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Womack requested to go into a closed session to discuss his annual performance evaluations at the end of the regular meeting.

102 2025 05-19 CLOSED SESSION – CITY MANAGER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Moved by Petrie. Seconded by Brady.

To enter a closed session at the conclusion of the regular meeting to discuss City Manager Womack's annual evaluation.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Ayes: Glisman, Petrie, Swindell, Atwood, Brady.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

City Manager Womack commented that a citizen survey is planned to go out with the summer tax bills. There will be a QR code to access the survey, for those who prefer a physical format, paper copies of the survey will also be made available. He has circulated a draft ordinance related to bicycle and invites Commissioners to review and provide feedback or suggestions regarding such.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Monthly Departmental Reports were received into the record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Glisman: Last week was Police Week and thanked all the officers for their bravery and service. On May 9, 2025, she joined the Daughters of the American Revolution Nipissing Chapter at the Lapeer Veterans Memorial Park, for a dedication of a memorial plaque commemorating revolutionary war patriots, four of which are buried in Lapeer. Soon, hopes to introduce the Lilac Project to the staff and community.

Commissioner Petrie: Thanked City staff for their hard work. Condolences and prayers to Theresa Spencer, who lost her husband on May 7, 2025, explaining the Nolan family has had a lot of loss recently.

Commissioner Swindell: The budget has passed; thanked everyone who worked so hard on it; it was a challenge; got it to the finish line.

Commissioner Atwood: Thanked City staff for all their hard work, as well as board members and volunteers who put in a lot of hours. Was able to go with MML staff to tour the Upper Peninsula visiting many other elected officials. Attended the Flint River Watershed clean up this past weekend. Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities (CEC) is coming up next week, make sure to register.

City Manager Womack: Celebrating several birthdays this month. His friend Fitz is doing well.

Mayor Marquardt: Read the list of local events. It was an honor and pleasure to attend the Daughters of the American Revolution event on May 9, 2025.

CLOSED SESSION

The Lapeer City Commission entered a closed session at 7:55 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a personnel evaluation. The Commission reconvened to the regular meeting at 9:04 p.m.

103 2025 05-19 ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Debbie Marquardt, Mayor

Romona Sanchez, City Clerk