

City of Petersburg
Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, September 21, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
Petersburg, MI 49270

A Meeting of the Council for the City of Petersburg was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Kevin Richards. Councilpersons present were Laura Antoszewski, Dawn Cilley, Rita Rousseau, Ron Stumpmier, Lisa Walters.

Absent: Stella Kirby

Moved by Cilley to approve the agenda as printed. Supported by Antoszewski. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1)
Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented to Council in printed form as recorded. Moved by Cilley that the minutes of the 8/17/26 meeting be approved. Supported by Rousseau. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Invoices were presented to Council in printed form by accounts: General fund - \$33762.09; Police fund – \$36810.34; Major St. - \$0; Local St. - \$34400.00; Sewer fund - \$15250.21; Water fund - \$20481.57 for a total of \$140,704.21. Moved by Cilley that the invoices be approved and checks drawn for the same. Supported by Rousseau. Roll call vote: Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Jessica Cribbs reported that she currently has 25 vendors signed up for the upcoming Farmers Market on 9-30-26. Trunk-or-Treat sign up and promotion will begin soon in the lead up to the 10-31-26 event.

Mike Doughty presented Council with a list of suggested ordinance changes/updates as a follow-up to the digitization of the ordinances and city charter.

Monroe County Sheriff's Deputy Mikayla Taylor introduced herself to Council and briefly discussed traffic enforcement in the city.

New Business:

Council reviewed 3 proposals to remove a walnut tree on W. Railroad St.: All Year Tree Service - \$3250, Pirolli Property Maintenance - \$4000, Cress Tree Service - \$2250. City DPW will perform the stump grinding. Moved by Rousseau to award the job to Cress. Supported by Cilley. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Moved by Cilley to appoint Shirley Raymo to the Compensation Commission effective 9/21/26. Supported by Rousseau. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Old Business:

The new slide and 3 new spring bouncers for Perry Park will be picked up this coming Friday.

Council discussed the placement locations for the Conor Harrigan memorial bench and new sign at Veterans Park.

Moved by Cilley to approve the purchase of 5 to 6 new trees from Bedford Lawn & Snow at the quoted price of \$225/tree. Supported by Antoszewski. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1). Motion carried. Joanne Tollison will oversee the purchase and DPW will plant the new trees.

Council Reports:

Mayor Richards reported that a couple of corrections to the paving of the alley will be addressed by Pro Finish. The sidewalk project will begin this week.

Antoszewski reported on two ongoing blight issues in the city and discussed next steps.

Employee Reports:

Moved by Antoszewski that Council adjourn at 7:06 p.m. Supported by Cilley. Aye (6) Nay (0) Absent (1) Motion carried.

Guests: Deputy Mikayla Taylor, Jessica Cribbs, Jim Holeman, Bobby Richards, Mike Doughty
Employees: Donna Maertín, Jenny Doughty

Minutes submitted by: _____ Jenny Doughty, Clerk

Minutes approved by: _____ Mayor Kevin Richards