

Council Proceedings  
City of Westland  
Meeting No. 1  
January 3, 2022

The Westland City Council held a regular meeting January 3, 2022, in the City Council Chambers of Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road Westland, Michigan, 48185.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by City Council President James Hart with roll call showing as follows:

Present

James Godbout  
Peter Herzberg  
Michael Londeau  
Michael McDermott  
Andrea Rutkowski  
Melissa Sampey  
James Hart

Absent (excused)

Also present were Mayor William Wild, Deputy Mayor Michael Reddy, Cable Director Craig Welkenbach, Cable Producer Craig Hebert, City Attorney James Fausone, Finance Director Steve Smith, Fire Chief James Morris, IT Director Craig Brown, Parks & Recreation Director Kyle Mulligan, Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik, and City Clerk Richard LeBlanc.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Andrea Rutkowski.

Councilman Londeau placed the name of James Hart into nomination as City Council President.

Councilman Herzberg placed the name of James Godbout into nomination as City Council President.

2022-01-01 Motion by Londeau, supported by Herzberg  
RESOLVED that nominations be closed for the office of City Council President.  
Unanimously carried.

Adhering to the Westland City Council Policies and Procedures, the City Clerk wrote the names of two nominees on 3"x5" sheets of paper, deposited them into a box, then withdrew the names in the following order: Councilman James Hart, then Councilman James Godbout.

2022-01-02 Motion by Londeau, supported by Rutkowski  
To elect James Hart as Westland City Council President  
Roll Call Vote:  
Ayes: Londeau, McDermott, Rutkowski, Sampey, Hart  
Nays: Godbout, Herzberg  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None  
Motion carried.

Councilman Herzberg placed the name of James Godbout into nomination as City Council President Pro-Tem.

Councilman McDermott placed the name of Peter Herzberg into nomination as City Council President Pro-Tem.

Councilwoman Sampey placed the name of Michael Londeau into nomination as City Council President Pro-Tem.

2022-01-03 Motion by Londeau, supported by Rutkowski  
RESOLVED that nominations be closed for the office of City Council President Pro-Tem.  
Unanimously carried.

Adhering to the Westland City Council Policies and Procedures, the City Clerk wrote the names of three nominees on 3"x5" sheets of paper, deposited them into a box, then withdrew the names in the following order: Councilman James Godbout, then Councilman Peter Herzberg, then Councilman Michael Londeau.

2022-01-04 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by Herzberg  
To elect James Godbout as Westland City Council President Pro-Tem.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Ayes: Godbout, Herzberg, McDermott  
Nays: Londeau, Rutkowski, Sampey, Hart  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None  
Motion failed.

2022-01-05 Motion by McDermott, supported by Herzberg  
To elect Peter Herzberg as Westland City Council President Pro-Tem.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Ayes: Godbout, Herzberg, McDermott  
Nays: Londeau, Rutkowski, Sampey, Hart  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None  
Motion failed.

2022-01-06 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by Sampey  
To elect Michael Londeau as Westland City Council President Pro-Tem.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Ayes: Londeau, Rutkowski, Sampey, Hart  
Nays: Godbout, Herzberg, McDermott  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None  
Motion carried.

State Representative Kevin Coleman offered a legislative update.

Mayor Wild presented certificates to the winners of the Annual Holiday Decorating Contest: Ramon Rolack, Matt Sutela, and Randy and Kim Krause.

2022-01-07 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Rutkowski  
RESOLVED that Council grants approval of the Consent Calendar as follows:

- Approval of Bid for Official City Newspaper, one (1) year contract to the Observer & Eccentric Newspaper, unit cost \$4.10 per column inch.
- Approval of KnowBe4 Email and Cyber Security Training Subscription Renewal through CDW-G; subscription shall be effective immediately for a period of one (1) year, amount \$5,440.
- Approval of Non-Emergency Telephone Recording System Service Maintenance Agreement with Word Systems for the Police Department; term of agreement shall be for five (5) years, amount \$29,140.
- Approval of request from Relay 4 Life to hold their annual kickoff fundraising event at City Hall on February 10, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.; rental fee of \$350 for a non-profit package deal is waived.

Unanimously carried.

2022-01-08 Motion by Londeau, supported by McDermott  
RESOLVED that Council grants approval of minutes of regular meeting held December 20, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Godbout, Herzberg, Londeau, McDermott, Rutkowski,  
Hart

Nays: None

Abstain: Sampey

Absent: None

Motion carried.

2022-01-09 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Rutkowski  
RESOLVED that Council grants approval of minutes of study  
session held December 20, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Godbout, Herzberg, Londeau, McDermott, Rutkowski,  
Hart

Nays: None

Abstain: Sampey

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilmember Londeau placed the name of Tim Furlong into nomination to  
serve as Commissioner to the Westland Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3)  
year term, term to expire January 3, 2025.

2022-01-10 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by McDermott  
RESOLVED that nominations be closed for Commissioner to the  
Westland Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3) year term, term to  
expire January 3, 2025.  
Unanimously carried.

2022-01-11 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by Londeau  
RESOLVED that Council appoints Tim Furlong to serve as  
Commissioner to the Westland Zoning Board of Appeals for a three  
(3) year term, term to expire January 3, 2025.  
Unanimously carried.

2022-01-12 Motion by Godbout, supported by Herzberg  
WHEREAS, Mayor William R. Wild has re-appointed James  
Fausone of Fausone Bohn, LLP, Law Department Director for a two  
(2) year term, commencing January 1, 2022, through December 31,  
2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council confirms the  
re-appointment of James Fausone of Fausone Bohn, LLP, Law  
Department Director for a two (2) year term, commencing January 1,  
2022, through December 31, 2023.

Unanimously carried.

2022-01-13 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Rutkowski  
RESOLVED that Council grants approval of the voucher list as  
follows: Checklist Activity: \$1,926,395.63.  
Unanimously carried.

2022-01-14 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by McDermott  
RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.  
Unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM.

James Hart  
Council President

Richard LeBlanc  
City Clerk