

City of Petersburg
Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, May 18, 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, Stella Kirby, Rita Rousseau, Ron Stumpmier, Lisa Walters

Absent:

Moved by Cilley to approve the agenda as printed. Supported by Antoszewski. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented to Council in printed form as recorded. Moved by Antoszewski that the minutes of the 5/4/26 meeting be approved. Supported by Cilley. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0)

Invoices were presented to council in printed form by accounts: General fund- \$16,986.23; Police fund- \$618.12; Major St.- \$166.73; Local St.- \$0; Sewer fund- \$5,350.16; Water fund- \$13,609.94 for a total of \$36,731.18. Moved by Cilley that the invoices as presented, minus the Library expenses, be approved and checks drawn for the same. Supported by Kirby. Roll Call Vote: Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Mike Ramey, Walnut Bar & Grill owner, asked if a decision on sidewalk replacement has been made and if he can install his outdoor patio. This has been tabled until the June 1 meeting and Mayor will keep him updated.

Jessica Cribbs of the Petersburg Events Committee shared information on the Farmers Market which will take place on Wednesday, 5-8PM, with the first one on May 27. The committee has several other events planned such as a Duck Race and Movie Night. She also mentioned the Rose Run July 11 and the need for traffic safety of the runners.

New Business:

Discussion and decision on sidewalk bids tabled until June 1, 2026 meeting.

Mayor reported Verizon will be added to the local cell tower to improve coverage.

Old Business:

Rousseau reported someone else may be interested in removing the Walnut trees in town for the wood.

Discussed toddler swing replacement at Perry Park as the proposal we received was high. Antoszewski reported 1 regular swing seat needs replacement also. We will look for better prices.

Council Reports:

Antoszewski will be sending out 2nd blight notices to those who haven't complied.

Stumpmier reported a streetlight out on N. Division. Deputy clerk Maertin will report it to DTE.

Walters asked Mayor if he has heard from DTE on replacing light post bases along the Center Street sidewalks. He will follow up on that.

Kirby reported new signs should be done soon. May 20 she and any volunteers will be planting flowers in Fernstrom Park, 6-7pm and May 23 community service volunteers will be clearing a walking path at Fernstrom.

Employee Reports:

Moved by Stumpmier that Council adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Supported by Cilley. Aye (7) Nay (0) Absent (0) Motion carried.

Guests: Bobby Richards, Jenny Doughty, Mike Doughty, Mike Ramey, Jessica Cribbs, Chuck Bruckner, Sharon Schadewald, Ron Goodin, Taylor Goodin, Nilo Burgener

Employees: Leanne Goodin, Donna Maertin

Minutes submitted by: _____ Leanne G. Goodin, Clerk

Minutes approved by: _____ Mayor Kevin Richards