

Monday May 11, 2026

PORT AUSTIN VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
17 West State Street, Port Austin, MI 48467

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andreski, Noble, Brecht, Bronson, Murawski, Mayes-Theobald, Polega

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Amanda Nienaltowski, Thomas Rapson, Sergeant Kevin Jimkoski

GUESTS PRESENT: Bob Upthegrove, Linda Upthegrove, Caren Voss, Jennifer Upthegrove, Sherry Seley, Mary Babcock, Jeff Servay

Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Public Comment:

1. **Mary Babcock** – Inquired if the Village would be open to letting the Huron County Hockey Association use the new ice rink for part of their season. Council was in favor.
2. **Jeff Servay** – Commented on the blight, trash, and vehicle in front yard of 299 East Spring Street.

Agenda:

1. **Simm's & Stogies** – request for grant administration. **Motion Noble, support Bronson to approve the Village of Port Austin as sponsoring entity for the Paul Bruhn grant application with clerk being the authorized signor and compensated with external funds. Ayes: All**
2. **New Hire & Pay Rate** – Ethan Wissner hired as DPW worker at a starting rate of pay of \$14.50.
3. **Golf Carts on Main Streets** – Much discussion was had regarding the requirement/process of allowing golf carts to traverse on the M roads in the Village. Tabled to gain more information.
4. **Social District -Motion Mayes-Theobald, support Polega to pursue a social district in the Village. Ayes: All** More information will be provided as specific requirements are addressed.
5. **Harbor Webcams** – Clerk Nienaltowski was asked by the Huron County Economic Development Corporation if the Village would be willing to take over the payment of the Harbor Webcams at a cost of \$250/year. Nienaltowski to look into what is specifically included in the cost.

Consent Agenda:

Motion Andreski, support Bronson to approve. Ayes: All

Bills:

Motion Bronson, support Mayes-Theobald to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$13142.10. Ayes: All

Attorney: none

Department head report/requests:

DPW :

- Water Sensors – are ordered
- Mowers – 2 of the mowers are sold

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Police: Mayes-Theobald thanked Chief for his quick response on a situation.

Clerk:

- Short Term Rental Applications Update

Personnel Committee – working on updates: sick time/social media/overtime, etc.

Parks & Rec Committee – discussion on an agreement with the North Huron Schools and Village regarding the Gallup Park Ball Fields.

Council Member Comments: none

With no further business; **Moved Bronson support Andreski** meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Clerk Certification

I the undersigned, Amanda Nienaltowski, the duly qualified and appointed Clerk for the Village of Port Austin, Huron County Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Village of Port Austin,

At a regular board meeting conducted on the 11th day of May, 2026.

_____ Amanda Nienaltowski, Village Clerk