

**CITY OF ITHACA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 7, 2026
5:30 PM**

The regular meeting of the City of Ithaca City Council was called to order by Mayor Brett Baublitz at 5:30pm. and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present were Mayor Brett Baublitz, Councilpersons James Andrew, Rob Endter, Brandon Ester, Clark Hubbard, Kristyn Roethlisberger, and Brooke Vernon. Staff present were City Manager Jamey Conn and City Clerk Cathy Cameron.

Audience in attendance was none.

Moved by Andrew, seconded by Hubbard to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 16, 2026. Motion carried.

Mayor Baublitz asked for approval of the agenda and for any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Hubbard, seconded by Andrew to approve the Agenda, including the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mayor Baublitz asked for public comment. There was none.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Hubbard, seconded by Ester to approve the consent agenda items as listed:

- **City Manager's written report included updates and information on Union Street 90% Meeting, Greater Gratiot Meeting, Bedzinski and Company, Road Grader, EGLE, Novel Thoughts, Cooling Center, Playground Donation and Semiquincentennial.**
- **Financial Reports for May.**
- **Claims submitted to the Ways and Means Committee by City Treasurer Foster and recommended for payment: Accounts Payable Checks #51547-51586, 1044(A), and Payroll Checks #17211-17222, DD #3792-3820, EFT #2201-2210 as listed in the Check Register Book**
- **Correspondence received was none.**

Motion carried by Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (7) Vernon, Andrew, Endter, Ester, Hubbard, Roethlisberger, Baublitz

Nos: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Committee/Department Reports

There was none.

City Manager Comments

Manager Conn reported that a meeting was held with the County Drain Commissioner, ROWE, DPW Superintendent Smith, Water & Sewer Superintendent Waldron and himself regarding the water flow from the Seaver Street Project. They discussed which county drain would be the best to use. Currently, the engineers have it going to Drain #1. He spoke with Andy Campbell of Bedzinski and Company regarding the Union Street Bonding. They will be analyzing the markets with a plan to sell in September. He attended the June Greater Gratiot Meeting for a roundtable discussion with the GGD Board and three of our State Legislatures. There was

much discussion surrounding EGLE and unfunded mandates. It was a good meeting. Manager Conn provided an update on the playground slide layout.

Unfinished Business

Manager Conn presented the Road Grader Repair, Storage and Ownership Agreement between the city and Hirschman Farms for a term of ten (10) years.

Moved by Hubbard, seconded by Endter to approve the Road Grader Repair, Storage and Ownership Agreement between the city and Hirschman Farms for a term of ten (10) years. Motion carried.

Manager Conn presented the MMR Contract Renewal. The term is for five (5) years commencing on July 1, 2026. MMR shall pay the city \$7,600 annually for usage of the Ithaca Rescue Station.

Moved by Andrew, seconded by Hubbard to approve the MMR Contract Renewal for a term of five (5) years at a rate of \$7,600 annually. Motion carried.

New Business

Clerk Cameron requested Council to appoint Treasurer Foster to the Election Commission for the August Primary and November General Election 2026. By Charter the City Assessor will also serve on the commission.

Moved by Andrew, second by Roethlisberger to appoint Treasurer Foster to the Election Commission. Motion carried.

Mayor Baublitz presented Resolution 2026-13: Recognition of Luke Klifman.

Moved by Hubbard, seconded by Vernon to adopt Resolution 2026-13: Recognition of Luke Klifman.

Motion carried by Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (7) Andrew, Endter, Ester, Hubbard, Roethlisberger, Vernon, Baublitz

Nos: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Public Comment

There was none.

Announcements

There was none.

Moved by Hubbard, second by Roethlisberger to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:44pm.

Approved 7-21-2026

Cathy Cameron

Cathy Cameron, City Clerk