

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUCHANAN CITY COMMISSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024 – 7:00 PM
CHAMBER OF BUCHANAN CITY HALL - 302 N REDBUD TRAIL, BUCHANAN MI

AGENDA

THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BUCHANAN, in compliance with Michigan’s Open Meetings Act, hereby gives notice of a regular meeting of the Buchanan City Commission to be held in the Chamber of City Hall.

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I. Call to Order Public Hearing & Roll Call

II. Opening of Public Hearing

- A. **Public Hearing for the possible sale of City Property at 401 River St.-** The public hearing is being held pursuant to Section 8.7 of the City Charter for the purpose of the City Commission, considering, accepting public comment on, and deciding upon the possible sale of City Property located at 401 River St. Buchanan, MI 49107.

III. Close of Public Hearing

IV. Call to Order the Regular Meeting

V. Pledge of Allegiance

VI. Roll Call

VII. Approve Agenda

VIII. Public Comment - Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)

IX. Consent Agenda (can be approved all in one motion, for general housekeeping items)

A. Minutes

- 1) Consider approving the Regular Meeting Minutes from January 22nd, 2024.
- 2) Consider approving the Special Meeting Minutes from January 31st, 2024.
- 3) Consider approving the amended minutes from December 11, 2023.

B. Expenditures: Consider approving the expenditures for February 12, 2024, in the amount of \$94,383.43.

X. Scheduled Matters from the Floor (if any)

A. Presentation of "Did Grass Make Things Meaner? Legalization of Marijuana and Violent Crime in the Nicest Place in America". A recent article that was published by SKEPTIC Magazine and written by John D. Van Dyke.

XI. Reports by: Departments, Committees, Boards

A. Community Development Report- Director, Rich Murphy & Assistant Director, Ashely Regal

- 1) G2 Development/ 7Engines Marihuana Permit Renewals for 2024.
- 2) Victory Park Pavilion Picnic Tables to be ordered from Schalon Foundation Grant.
- 3) Consider Resolution 2024.02/05- A resolution for Mobile Food Vending Fee Schedule.

B. Fire Department- Chief Mike Adams

- 1) The City of Buchanan Fire Department applied for a grant and is requesting up to a 10% match if awarded. For the AFG Grant for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), the match amount would be \$7,771.43

C. Election Report- City Clerk, Kalla Langston

- 1) Permanent Mail Ballot Voters- Selection Forms.
- 2) Early Voting Starts February 17th - February 25th- At the Berrien County South County Building, Door 13, 1205 North Front St. Niles.
- 3) Presidential Primary Election, Tuesday, February 27th, 2024 Polls are open from 7 AM- 8 PM.

XII. Unfinished Business

A. Consider City Attorney Memorandum, regarding Carla Jackson Johnson Complaint.

B. Consider and Vote whether or not to proceed with the Commission Public Hearing, pursuant to the City Code of Conduct on Carla Jackson Johnson Complaint.

XIII. New Business

A. Consider Resolution 2024.02/06- A Resolution of the Buchanan City Commission to sell the city-owned property at 401 River Street.

XIV. Communications *(informational only, formal board action is not necessary for these items, unless so desired)*

XV. Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items Only *(3-minute limit)*

XVI. Executive Comments

- A. City Manager Comments
- B. Commissioner Comments
- C. Mayor Comments

XVII. Adjourn



SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BUCHANAN CITY COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024 – 9:00 AM
CHAMBER OF BUCHANAN CITY HALL - 302 N REDBUD TRAIL, BUCHANAN MI

MINUTES

I. Call to Order of Special Public Hearing

Special Public Hearing was called to order by Mayor Denison at

II. Roll Call of Special Public Hearing

Present: Mayor Sean Denison, Mayor Pro Tem Mark Weedon, Commissioner Larry Money, Commissioner Patrick Swem, Commissioner Dan Vigansky

Absent: None

City Staff: City Manager, Timothy J Lynch; City Clerk, Kalla Langston; Community Development Director, Rich Murphy; Assistant Community Development Director, Ashley Regal

III. Open Special Public Hearing

Motion made by Money, supported by Weedon, open the public hearing and public comment on proposed application for the Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) at 9:00. Roll call carries unanimously.

A. Special Public Hearing for Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for Project Northstar- The purpose of this public hearing is to allow citizens to submit comments on the proposed application for a CDBG grant. The City of Buchanan proposes to use \$300,000.00 CDBG funds to support homeowner improvement, demolitions/reconstruction/resale activities in Buchanan's Northside Neighborhoods. All activities, upon completion, will benefit low to moderate-income households. 0 person will be displaced as a result of the proposed activities.

Jeannie Harris- Supports the grant application, it would be valuable to homeowners.

Mary Gilbert- Supports the grant application. With a few questions on who oversees the financials, recipients, and providers of service.

Murphy gave update on the grant application with the beginning stages. The community development would lead to the application process if approved for the grant. By outreaching to the neighborhoods and developing a strategy for the process while fitting in with the guidelines provide by grant. They are developing the criteria for the program application. The first step is to approve the resolution for submitting the grant.

IV. Close of Special Public Hearing

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money, to close the public hearing at 9:17 A.M. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

V. Call to Order Special Meeting & Roll Call

Special Meeting was called to order at 9:17 A.M. by Mayor Denison.

Present: Mayor Sean Denison, Mayor Pro Tem Mark Weedon, Commissioner Larry Money, Commissioner Patrick Swem, Commissioner Dan Vigansky

VI. Public Comment - Agenda Items Only *(3-minute limit)*

None

VII. New Business

A. *Consider Resolution 2024.01/03, authorizing resolution for CDBG Program.*

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money to approve resolution 2024.01/03, as presented.
Roll call carries unanimously.

VIII. Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items Only *(3-minute limit)*

None

IX. Adjourn

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

Kalla Langston, City Clerk

Mayor Sean Denison



SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BUCHANAN CITY COMMISSION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023 – 5:30 PM
CHAMBER OF BUCHANAN CITY HALL - 302 N REDBUD TRAIL, BUCHANAN MI

MINUTES- AMENDED

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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:31pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Denison led in the pledge of allegiance.

III. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Sean Denison, Mayor Pro Temp Mark Weedon, Commissioner Larry Money, Commissioner Patrick Swem

Absent: Commissioner Dan Vigansky

City Staff: City Clerk, Kalla Langston; City Attorney, Matt Derby; Chief of Police, Harvey Burnett; Director of Public Safety, Tim Ganus; Director of Public Services, Mike Baker; Community Development Director, Rich Murphy; Assistant Community Development Director, Ashley Regal; City Bookkeeper, Courtney Baham

IV. Opening of Hearing and Statement of the purpose of the hearing

A. *The purpose of this public hearing is to hear a complaint and take Commission action, if any, on the Complaint filed against Commissioner Vigansky, alleging violations of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure, Code of Conduct and Ethics, and Misconduct and Discrimination Policy provisions as they apply to dealings with City staff and members of the public.*

V. Announcement of the Rules of the Hearing

A. *1) This is a public hearing being held for the purposes just stated. Before a final vote of the Commission to consider what actions, in any, to take on the Complaint, public comment only regarding the subject of this agenda will be accepted. One opportunity for public comment will be allowed to each person and limited to three minutes for each person.*

2) The person addressing the Commission shall stand, state his/her name, and direct their comments directly to the Commission.

3) *The Chairperson may, at his discretion, terminate comments which exceed the three minutes limit, are unrelated to the subject of the public hearing agenda, or that are disruptive to the order of the hearing.*

4) *When the Chairperson observes that there are no further public comments, he/she shall close that portion of the hearing.*

VI. Presentation by complainant

A. Presentation by Mayor:

1. Presentation by the Mayor on the Complaint:

A. Statements by the Mayor, witnesses, and submission of documents.

- **First Charge:** During the June 14th, 2023 meeting of the Buchanan Area Recreation Board Mr. Vigansky addressed members of the public audience which included African American individuals using the phrases, “you people,” and “those people.” This conduct resulting in the filing of a complaint with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights case #635831. This complaint is still under review by the civil rights department, has harmed citizen relations with the city, and caused the city to unnecessarily spend funds on attorney fees responding to the complaint. Please find attached, copies of the civil rights complaint, the attorney response, and the attorney billing for that response as evidence. At this time, I would like to call James Busby as a witness.

Denison calls forward witness James Busby who is sworn in under oath by City Clerk Kalla Langston.

Busby – Good afternoon, I am James Busby. I live on Elizabeth Street on the north side. Back to the incident, I believe it was on July 10th at the Buchanan Township Hall. It was the same evening as the incident between Dan Vigansky and Tony Houser. The incident between myself and Dan Vigansky occurred there was a private conversation between myself and Mrs. Harris and Paige I believe where I was referring to getting some money together for Victory Park improvements. At that time Mr. Vigansky rudely interrupted a conversation that was not pertaining to them which he proceeded to tell me what I need to do with my own money. I told Mr. Vigansky the conversation was not pertaining to him if I wanted to take my money and throw it in the trash then that was my business. Vigansky continued to talk, I then proceeded to ask Mr. Vigansky if he wanted to do something that why don't he stop being a sexist, using sexist language towards women, and I asked him to stop referring to minority groups as “those people” and “you people.” I told him everybody knows that's a racist term that's been used for years and years. Mr. Vigansky continued to laugh and thought it as funny; I didn't think it was funny. Mr. Vigansky then proceeded to tell me, in front of Mrs. Harris and the other lady, that was there that he refers to all minority groups – Mexicans, Indians, whoever is not white – as “you people.” I asked him what he refers to white people as he said, “whatever I want to,” and he laughed. Just as I turned to walk away and Mrs. Harris and myself were going outside the argument continued. I tried to ignore Mr. Vigansky. He then later got in my face and he was literally shaking his fist ball and he told me in his exact words that, “he was a tough old white man and I better watch my back.” I turned to him and I said, “I'm a young tough black man, and don't you ever threaten me. If you ever touch/threaten me you better hold true to it.” As that conversation was going on Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Joretta Bibbs, and John Brown they kind of intervened because they didn't want an altercation to erupt. The next day I went and told Chief Tim Ganus about the incident. He later forwarded the information over to St. Joe Sheriff's Department which they came down and interviewed me and interviewed several witnesses as to what happened at the incident. Mr. Vigansky gave a statement to the Sheriffs Department,

which I think all of you have, in which his comment at the end which he lied and said I threatened to put him in the hospital. That conversation never took place. Anybody who knows me knows I would never put my hands on somebody unless I am touched first. Especially an old man who's on oxygen and just likes to run his mouth. Mr. Vigansky later told the Sheriffs Department at the end of the all white people are racist, pigs, and bigots which you have a copy of the comment. He made this comment, not me. Dan Vigansky made that comment that all you white people are racist and bigots at the end of the day. I am sure we are all smart enough to know that every white person in Buchanan is not a racist. We have too many bi-racial kids running around, interracial couples of all races – I have two white grandkids of my own I have two bi-racial. All black people in Buchanan are not racist. And as you all know this isn't the first encounter with Mr. Vigansky I have had. Two summers ago, I have an altercation with him, a verbal argument and I told him then you know he sent women down here in city hall in tears and I asked him repeatedly "watch your mouth," and "stop using that language towards minorities and women." He has had ladies down here in tears. I'm sure all of you have witnessed at some point the insults must stop. As a City Commissioner you represent not one race but everybody that's in Buchanan. You don't have to like each other, but we need to respect and stop the insults. I tried to convey that to Mr. Vigansky as several other people have tried to. When you are a commissioner you represent, and you are supposed to be held to a higher standard. Just like that sign says in Buchanan life is better here, when you have an individual like Mr. Vigansky that spews hate in the language and the insults – what are we going to accomplish? If we try to do good things we got one person constantly trying to tear everybody down. Nothing will get accomplished. I believe when we were trying to, I was pushing to get the water fountain put back at the Victory Park. I believe he had a conversation with Monroe Lemay where he referred to again as those people don't need a water fountain. What does that bring when you hear somebody say stuff like that. The north side is not predominantly African American anymore like it used to be. I don't know if Mr. Vigansky is not smart enough to realize that but there's not just a lot of white people that's moved in, we've got other groups. I've seen Hispanics move in, a couple of Asians. Once again, we need to go into a different, we need people who are going to show love and respect, and that are going to put the community and issues first without out trying tear everything we do down. And that's what I have to say.

Denison calls forward witness John Brown who is sworn in under oath by City Clerk Kalla Langston.

Denison – Can you tell us, were you in the parking lot the night of that BARB meeting when Mr. Vigansky and Mr. Busby had their altercation in the parking lot? Can you tell us what you heard?

Brown – Yes, I was. Well, most of conversation was a back and forth between Mr. Busby and Mr. Vigansky. A lot of harsh words, of course I needed to standby and make sure that the altercation didn't develop into something else. I been hearing Mr. Vigansky making comments about being a tough old man and he was threatening Mr. Busby and only thing I was concerned about was Mr. Busby didn't overstep and hit him because that's what it was leading too because the ladies that were around Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Bibbs they all told me to step in and squash it. But I tried to encourage and let them know that Mr. Busby was not going to take it that far. He was not going to assault or hit Mr. Vigansky. I had a few words with Dan afterwards, I've known Dan a lot of years, and of course his attitude was the same.

Denison – Did you hear Mr. Vigansky say anything that could be construed as racist?

Brown – Well he did make that comment about “you people,” and related to some of the park equipment that it was going to be taken out of Kathryn Park and it was going to be given to you people at Victory Park. That’s awful bad, you know that’s the way it started.

Denison – Do you have anything else you’d like to add?

Brown – Well like I said, we say in a lot of park board meetings over the last years and I watch Mr. Vigansky put some of the ladies on the park board meeting into tears. You know Ashley walked out and quit, one of the other ladies walked out and quit because of Dan and of course, that’s what Mr. Busby referred to about his insensitivity towards women, how he talked to women. We asked Mr. Vigansky do you talk to you wife this way and of course he said yes.

Denison – Any questions from the commission for Mr. Brown? There are none.

- Second Charge:** On Nov 3, 2023, the City of Buchanan Mayor sent to all City Commission members by text message, a 6-page complaint made by city employees against the City Manager. The mayor specifically instructed to each commission member to keep the employees’ complaint confidential, and the complaints would be investigated by the City Attorney. Mr. Vigansky disregarded the confidentiality directive by producing the complaint to the City Manager and releasing a copy or the content of the complaint to the public before an investigation could even be started. Although the employee complaints would be available to the public release of the complaints before employees and the City Manager could be interviewed risked impeding the investigation of the complaints. The complaint has at least 5 allegations of misconduct against female employees. Mr. Vigansky’s actions were acts of retaliation for the reporting of conduct violation of the city’s Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy. Please find attached in your packets printouts of my text messages asking for confidentiality, text messages from Mr. Vigansky to Mr. Eldridge, and a copy of the city’s Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy and City Code of Conduct. As commissioners we have the responsibility to uphold the city’s Charter, Ordinances, and policies – we don’t get to pick and choose which ones we agree with. On page 3 of the Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy it reads; “Upon submission of a complaint an impartial and confidential investigation of the complaint will be undertaken by the city or such other agent as the commission or City Manager may designate. The person against whom the complaint is filed will be notified of and provided with a copy of the complaint at an appropriate time.” Mr. Vigansky has admitted to this charge on several occasions. At the 11/13/23 meeting Mr. Vigansky stated, “I did not release anything confidential, what I gave to the City Manager is what this commission was going to railroad him our with.” On 11/29/23 at the City Commission Meeting Mr. Vigansky said, I did not give any confidential information, I gave him information that he was entitled to.” Are there any questions from the commission on this charge?

Swem – I guess from the procedure he’s not here who to ask the questions to, but I would have asked Dan why in this correspondence to the former City Manager he put, “do you have a private email, I am working on something,” to which the response was to send it to his wife’s email so I would have liked to get clarification on that communication.

Denison – Langston can you confirm that you did send Commissioner Vigansky all the materials necessary for this hearing?

Langston – I did, by email and mail on December 4th, 2023 and I have copies of that.

- Third Charge:** After receiving written employee complaints on 11/3/2023 against the City Manager Mr. Vigansky stated to me that the complaints were just a bunch of retaliatory B.S., this is a clear statement that Mr. Vigansky’s completely unconcerned with the investigation and resolution of

complaints concerning possible civil rights violations and this is a violation of the city's Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy.

City Attorney – Mr. Mayor if I may, at this point you are testifying to things to your personal knowledge so you should be sworn in, in the same manner as all witnesses.

City Clerk Kalla Langston swears Sean Denison in under oath.

Denison – So on page 3 of the Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy it states, "Upon submission of a complaint, an impartial and confidential investigation of the complaint will be undertaken by the City or such other agent as the Commission or City Manager may designate. The person against whom the complaint is filed will be notified of and provided with a copy of the complaint at the appropriate time." At a city meeting on 11/27/23 Mr. Vigansky stated, "when they were given to me I did call them B.S. because that's what they are they're B.S." At the conclusion of the 11/29/23 meeting I mentioned to Mr. Vigansky that he didn't understand his obligations and responsibilities to the city employees, and he stated repeatedly in front of myself and members of the press, "I don't give a crap about the employees." Based on these statements and actions from Mr. Vigansky its clear to me that he has no intention of upholding his obligations and responsibilities as a city commissioner even after signing the code of conduct acknowledgement form and taking an oath of office. In your packet you will find the code of conduct acknowledgement signed by Mr. Vigansky. It reads, "I hereby acknowledge that I have received a copy of the city of Buchanan's code of conduct and that I have further read and understand the saying. I also acknowledge that I've been given a physical copy of the code of conduct to keep for my records and I understand that I may ask my supervisor if I ever have any questions about the code of conduct. I understand that if I fail to comply with any part of the code of conduct I may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination as is deemed appropriate" – signed by Mr. Vigansky. Are there any questions from the commission on this charge?

There are none.

- **Fourth Charge:** On the morning of 11/8/23 Mr. Vigansky entered the city hall office and confronted City Bookkeeper Courtney Baham and Clerk Kalla Langston over their involvement in the employee complaints filed against the City Manager. The employee complaint contains allegations of misconduct against female employees. This incident was reported to the Berrien County Sheriff's Department where the incident is being investigated. Mr. Vigansky's actions were acts of retaliation for the reporting of conduct and violation of the city's Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy. Please find attached copies of the Berrien County Sheriffs office report and statements from witnesses in City Hall. Page 3 of the Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy reads, "The City not only prohibits abuse, discrimination and harassment as set out in this Policy, but also strictly prohibits any retaliation against any Covered Individual who, in good faith, has submitted a complaint under this Policy or who has participated in an investigation under this Policy. Any Covered Individual who, after investigation, is found to have engaged in retaliation prohibited under this Policy will be subject to such appropriate corrective action as the City is authorized in its sole discretion to implement." At this time, I would like to call City Clerk Kalla Langston as a witness.

Denison calls forward witness Kalla Langston, sworn in under oath by the City Attorney Matt Derby.

Langston – On Monday November 6th following the JWSB meeting Commissioner Vigansky entered my office while I was putting my work away from the meeting and closed my office door. He expressed that he was upset about the list of employee concerns regarding the former City Manager that he had received from Mayor Denison and questioned my

involvement. In this exchange Commissioner Vigansky was audibly aggressive and irritated about the suspension of the former city manager. He confirmed that he gave the former city manager the list of concerns and to a member of the public. Commissioner Vigansky visited City Hall two days later on November 8. He inquired about a phone number with the front desk staff and asked if I was in. Upon hearing him speaking to another employee. I exited my office because I was concerned about any employee getting cornered by Commissioner Vigansky due to the aggressive behavior he demonstrated on Monday. I saw Commissioner Vigansky in the Bookkeepers doorway, I approached and asked, "How can I help you?". At that point Commissioner Vigansky went into the bookkeeper's office and slammed her office door with only the 2 of them inside. Myself and other staff members insisted that he open the door, at that time the Bookkeepers door was broken, it locked automatically and could not be opened from the outside. After a few moments he did open the door and left the Bookkeepers office. Commissioner Vigansky and I had a verbal altercation about his actions. It was clear to me that he was not coming down here just for a phone number. He was coming down to intimidate and interrogate other staff members just as he did to me two days prior. His behavior in the workplace was disruptive, combative, and invasive. He routinely intimidates and harasses staff, the public, and his fellow commissioners when he disagrees or opposes them, both professionally and personally. This is a part of a pattern of behavior Commissioner Vigansky has continually demonstrated. I have had a good working relationship with Commissioner Vigansky in the past but since I opposed him, I have now been targeted by him. He has degraded me in public meetings as well as calling another jurisdiction "looking for complaints against me" and tearing down relationships I have built with the public.

Swem – For Mr. Derby, how procedurally for the public and for our implication is the city commission supposed to interact with the City Manager and the Staff? What's the hierarchy and is that question making sense? On a routine basis what should our expectation be?

City Attorney – Best practice is that any concerns that the commission have should go through the City Manager and the City Manager deal with the Staff.

Swem – And our role is more policy driven correct?

City Attorney – Yes, there's nothing wrong about you coming and asking for a document or something like that.

Swem – That answers my question, thank you.

At this time, I would like to call City Bookkeeper Courtney Baham as a witness, sworn in under oath by City Clerk Kalla Langston.

Baham – Good evening, I am Courtney Baham. I'm the Bookkeeper here at City Hall and I'm here tonight to give a statement on the incident between Commissioner Vigansky and myself. On November 8th Commissioner Vigansky came into City Hall. After a few minutes he came over to my office in the doorway with the intention of questioning the allegations about the former City Manager. I was already on edge from the entire situation. When Kalla came around and calmly asked him how she could help him, he slammed my office door with just me and him in it. Knowing how Commissioner Vigansky behaves and hearing the verbal altercation that took place with Kalla and Commissioner Vigansky on Monday I was uncomfortable being alone in his presence. When asked to leave, he did so. Following this incident, I was visually shaken up and unable to continue working through the day. This has made me and team members fearful of coming forward with concerns of the future due to the retaliation that has taken place by Commissioner Vigansky. We no longer feel as if we have a

safe working environment. His behavior has furthermore deteriorated the way the public views the city and its staff who working diligently to reverse the damage created by previous administration.

- **Procedure for the Commission’s Findings:** These charges are filed against Commissioner Vigansky under the city’s rules and procedures for city commission meetings code of conduct and ethics ordinance and the city’s Misconduct Harassment and Discrimination Policy. Depending on the factual findings of the commission if support is found for one or more of the above charges the city council may take one or a combination of the following actions;
 - 1) To accept and vote on a motion whether or not to adopt a resolution of censure.
 - 2) If two or more independent findings of misconduct in the office are found based on the above charges vote on a motion whether or not to adopt a resolution of censure that includes a request for the commissioner’s resignation from office.
 - 3) Take a commission vote on a resolution requesting Commissioner Vigansky to resign from his position as a city commissioner.

If Mr. Vigansky refuses to resign after request for resignation from office the commission may take any legal action necessary to terminate the commissioners right to remain a seated commissioner – including a resolution for the filing of charges with the government of the state of Michigan requesting an action for the removal of the commissioner from office under MCL #168327. At this time, we will take public comment.

City Attorney – Mr. Mayor, this is a point of order before you proceed to discussion. It should be again noted for the record that the clerk did in fact serve Mr. Vigansky with the charges and notified him of the date and time of this hearing both by email and by regular mail and that he’s failed to appear. Had he been here he would have been able to defend himself, had witnesses present, had representation if he so desired, and questioned and be questioned and he has forfeited that right. I think that should be noted.

B. Questioning by members of the Commission, Commissioner Vigansky, or his representative.

VII. Presentation by accused.

~~A. Presentation by Commissioner Vigansky.~~

~~1. Presentation by Commissioner Vigansky or his representative on the Complaint:~~

~~A. Presentation by Commissioner Vigansky or his representative, witnesses, submission of documents.~~

~~B. Questioning by members of the Commission.~~

~~Not present and no response filed.~~

VIII. Public Comment- One opportunity per person to comment (3-minute limit).

Alan Robandt, 114 E Front St – There are a couple of things that were said tonight that I kind of question. The city had an incident policy that employees were supposed to follow if they had a complaint. I don’t think any incident reports were ever filed on any of this. To retaliate you would have to know who the accusers were. To the best of my knowledge there were no signatures on the 42 charges so to say Dan was somehow retaliating against people is kind of a fallacy. I don’t see how you can retaliate when you don’t know who you would be retaliating against. Ben Eldridge was not the public Ben Eldridge was the City Manager. I think that’s a distinction that needs to be made. Releasing information to the City Manager or a city employee is different from releasing it to the public. Then finally, how do you investigate 42 anonymous complaints? That’s all I’ve got to say.

Monroe Lemay, 118 Schirmer Pkwy – We pledge allegiance to the flag at the beginning of every meeting, you will note that the last sentence was liberty and justice for all. This means we treat everyone the same where justice is concerned. The first charge against Commissioner Vigansky has to do with stereotyping a group of people and in this case its African Americans as “you people,” or “those people.” If you’re going to bring up charges against one person you should also include all the other persons on the commission who are guilty of the same action. One city commissioner sitting among you told a businesswoman in Buchanan in conversation that she was one of the original FIPS (?) in town. For those of you who do not know what the term FIPS stands for it is “Fucking Illinois People”. I myself have heard more than one of you sitting up there refer to the downtown merchants of Chicago “pansies,” and “faggots.” If you are ready to bring charges against one you must consider charging all. The second charge deals with Commissioner Dan Vigansky sharing confidential information with an employee, then City Manager Ben Eldridge. On Tuesday following the City Manager suspension by mayor Denison a citizen of Buchanan called me to ask me to please back away from the issue, not get involved, and remove my post about the suspension from Facebook. He proceeded in his conversation to tell me that this would really harm the employees who filed these grievances. He knew of the number of grievances and those who made those complaints I asked this individual how he knew this and since I was not allowed to know and he replied that because his company gives money to the city he needs to know these things and therefore information gets shared with him. So someone on this commission is sharing information, confidential information, the same information that Commissioner Vigansky shared with Ben Eldridge with a regular citizen business owner. Once again, if you are ready to bring charges against one you must consider charging all for the same action that has been taken place today. With liberty and justice for all.

IX. Commission Consideration and Vote on Actions, if any, Regarding the Commission's findings on the complaint.

- **First Charge:** On charge number one, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?
Motion made by Money, supported by Weedon. Roll call vote carries unanimously.
- **Second Charge:** On charge number two, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?
Motion made by Weedon, supported by Swem. Roll call vote carries unanimously.
- **Third Charge:** On charge number three, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?
Motion made by Money, supported by Swem. Roll call vote carries unanimously.
- **Fourth Charge:** On charge number four, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?
Motion made by Weedon, supported by Swem. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

City Attorney – I thought in the last call for the question you asked whether or not he had committed misconduct. The question posed in the motion should be whether anyone wants to bring a motion of an offense or non-offense for each one of these, so the record is more clear. You could ask whether or not anybody has a motion as to whether or not misconduct did or did not occur but the form of the motion has to be I make a motion that misconduct occurred or not, proceed with the second, entertain discussion, and vote.

The commission's consideration and vote on actions, if any, regarding the commission's findings on the complaint restarts to produce a clear record.

- **First Charge:** On charge number one, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?

Motion made by Money, supported by Weedon, that Commissioner Vigansky did commit misconduct while in office. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

- **Second Charge:** On charge number two, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money, that Commissioner Vigansky violated the city ordinance and conducted misconduct while in office. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

- **Third Charge:** On charge number three, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money, that Commissioner Vigansky committed misconduct on charge number three while in office. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

- **Fourth Charge:** On charge number four, I would entertain a motion that Commissioner Vigansky has committed or has not committed misconduct in office. Is there a motion?

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Swem, that Commissioner Vigansky committed misconduct on charge number four while in office. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

Since at least two charges of misconduct have been agreed upon by this commission I would entertain a motion for a resolution of censure be presented and discussed at our next regular meeting and a request for Mr. Vigansky's resignation. If Mr. Vigansky refuses to resign I would ask this commission's approval to take any and all action necessary to terminate Mr. Vigansky's right to remain a city commissioner including contacting the state attorney general and the governor. I would entertain a motion for the commission to allow that.

Swem motions to proceed with the resolution as stated, supported by Weedon. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

X. **Close of Hearing/Adjourn**

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money to adjourn the hearing. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:11pm.

Kalla Langston, City Clerk

Mayor Sean Denison



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUCHANAN CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024 – 7:00 PM
CHAMBER OF BUCHANAN CITY HALL - 302 N REDBUD TRAIL, BUCHANAN MI

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

II. Recognition

A. Recognition of Officer Corey Reed and Officer Jason Cullum – The City of Buchanan proudly recognizes Officer Reed, Officer Cullum, and the city cadet firefighter Christian Fellows. Christian administrated CPR to his father before officers Reed and Cullum arrived. The three gentlemen were awarded with the life-saving award.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Denison led in the pledge of allegiance.

IV. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Sean Denison, Mayor Pro Temp Mark Weedon, Commissioner Dan Vigansky, Commissioner Larry Money, Commissioner Patrick Swem

City Staff: City Manager, Tim Lynch; City Clerk, Kalla Langston; Community Development Director, Rich Murphy; Assistant Community Development Director, Ashley Regal; Director of Public Services, Mike Baker; Director of Public Safety, Tim Ganus; Chief of Police, Harvey Burnett

V. Approve Agenda

Motion made by Swem, supported by Money, to approve the amended agenda including postponing Item VI. Public Hearing #1 to February 12th, 2024, and postponing Item VIII. Public Hearing #2 and item XIII. A-3 to the January 31st, 2024 Special Public Hearing Meeting.

Roll call vote to approve the agenda with these amendments carries unanimously.

VI. ~~Open Public Hearing #1~~ → POSTPONED TO FEBRUARY 12TH, 2024 REGULAR MEETING

~~**A. Public Hearing for the possible sale of City Property at 401 River St.** – The public hearing is being held pursuant to Section 8.7 of the City Charter for the purpose of the City Commission, considering, accepting public comment on, and deciding upon the possible sale of City Property located at 401 River St. Buchanan, MI 49107.~~

VII. ~~Close Public Hearing #1~~

VIII. ~~Open Public Hearing #2~~ → POSTPONED TO JANUARY 31ST, 2024 SPECIAL MEETING

~~**A. Public Hearing for Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for Project Northstar** – The purpose of this public hearing is to allow citizens to submit comments on the proposed application for a CDBG grant. The City of Buchanan proposes to use \$300,000.00 CDBG funds to support homeowner improvement, demolitions/reconstruction/resale activities in Buchanan's Northside Neighborhoods. All activities, upon completion, will benefit low to moderate income households. 0 person will be displaced as a result of the proposed activities.~~

IX. ~~Close of Public Hearing #2~~

X. Public Comment – Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)

Carla Jackson Johnson – What a lovely way to start the meeting with the wonderful police being honored. I support them greatly and that’s basically what I was thinking about. I have been thinking about wanting more positivity in our meetings and in our discourse and in our city. So tonight, what I’m asking is for a hearing on this complaint, but truth is not mine to ask for and its not yours to give. It’s already here, it’s done. I hold this up as a light, that’s my intent. To illuminate the word of law. I’ve delt with the truth as I see it and now it’s for you to see it and respond. Face the facts, accept responsibility, it’s your opportunity to reflect the light of truth and to shine. Respect the self-governance the city charter decrees for our citizens, and you won’t have to worry all the time about salvaging your name. Live up to the light of the law and do something noble and beautiful while you’re in that light.

Norma Ferris, 304 N Oak– If I can remark on that, I will. No. Nothing has been done wrong. Our ladder of government here we are first. We vote for our commissioners. Dan you are ahead of the manager, the employees are below the manager. You did nothing wrong by firing that employee.

Denison clarifies that he did not fire anybody.

XI. Consent Agenda (can be approved all in one motion, for general housekeeping items)

A. Minutes – Consider approving regular meeting minutes from January 8th, 2024.

~~**B. Expenditures** – Consider approving the expenditures for January 22nd, 2024 in the amount of \$176,165.74~~

Vigansky motions to move Consent Agenda Item B. Expenditures to New Business Item A.

Motion made by Swem, supported by Vigansky, to approve the amended consent agenda as presented.

Roll call vote carries unanimously

XII. Scheduled Matters from the Floor (if any)

XIII. Reports by: Departments, Committees, Boards

A. Community Development Report – Community Development Director, Rich Murphy & Assistant Community Development Director/Mainstreet Manager, Ashley Regal.

Murphy – Annual renewals for cannabis operators for 2024. There are two licenses for Zen Leaf, and five licenses for Redbud Roots. I received the applications, fees, and have forwarded the background checks to Buchanan Police. All the paperwork is in order, and I recommend approval.

- 1. Consider Zen Leaf Buchanan Marihuana Permit Renewals (1) Adult Use Retail License Renewal, 259 E. Front St. (2) Medical Use Retail License Renewal, 259 E. Front St.

Vigansky motions, supported by Swem, to approve the Zen Leaf Buchanan Marihuana Permit Renewals, as presented.

Roll call vote carries unanimously.

- 2. Consider Redbud Roots Marihuana Permit Renewals (1) Redbud Roots Lab II, LLC- Class C Grow- 215 Post Rd- Adult Use; (2) Redbud Roots Lab II, LLC- Class C Grow- 835 Terre Coupe- Adult Use; (3) Redbud Roots Lab II, LLC- Class C Grow- 835 Terre Coupe (STACKED) Adult Use;(4) Redbud Roots Lab IV, LLC- Processor - 215 Post Rd- Adult Use; (5) Redbud Roots Lab IV, LLC- Processor- 215 Post Rd- Medical

Swem motions, supported by Money, to approve the Redbud Roots Marihuana Permit Renewals, as presented.

Roll call vote carries unanimously.

~~3. Consider Resolution 2024.01/03, authorizing resolution for CDBG Program.~~

4. Consider Resolution 2024.01/04, a resolution for local support without financial commitment for LIVEBUCHANAN application for Michigan Main Street Designation.

Regal – This is the last step before we submit our application. With your approval we can submit and find out if we receive designation from the state as a Michigan Main Street.

Peter Lysy presented on behalf of LiveBuchanan is a 501C-3 non-profit group created to fulfill the commissions 2021 plan to get the Michigan Main Street status for Buchanan. That process began when we hired Main Street Manager, Ashley Regal, in Fall 2021. Every three years the MEDC picks no more than three communities in Michigan to advance to the select level of the Main Street program. This status opens technical assistance and potential grant funding. This is the application we are submitting. We ask for the commission’s approval which is a requirement for the application.

Motion made by Weedon, supported Money, to approve resolution 2024.01/04 to support the LIVEBUCHANAN application for Michigan Main Street Designation, as presented.

Roll call vote carries unanimously.

XIV. Unfinished Business

- A. Appointments – Consider appointing Commissioner Larry Money to the Joint Water Sewer Board as one of the City Commission representatives. As well as considering Mayor Sean Denison to Buchanan Area Recreational Board (BARB) as the City Commission Rep.

Motion made by Swem, supported by Weedon, to approve appointing Commissioner Money to the Joint Water and Sewer Board, and Mayor Denison to the Buchanan Area Recreational Board.

Motion is moved to a roll call vote.

Yea: Weedon, Money, Swem, Denison

Nay: Vigansky

Abstain:

Motion carries 4-1.

XV. New Business

- A. Complaint Consideration – Consideration of the complaint filed against Mayor Sean Denison and vote on whether or not to proceed with a hearing, pursuant to the Rules of Procedure for City Commission Meetings and City Code of Conduct and Ethics.

The commission discussed next steps with the city attorney reviewing the complaint for an option. The 2 complaints that were filed before were given the same action.

Motion made by Swem, supported by Money, to refer this to the city council for a written review and memo to be provided to the commission for discussion at the next commission meeting.

Roll call vote carries unanimously.

- B. Expenditures – Consider approving the expenditures for January 22nd, 2024, in the amount of \$176,165.74.

Please point out the checks that you have questions about.

Vigansky asked city manager Lynch for a breakdown on the \$20,000 for the lawyer.

Lynch broke down the invoice as follows; USDA, commission, city manager, and FOIA expenses.

LEGAL FEES.....	\$8,050.00	LEGAL FEES.....	\$7,325.00
USDA PROJECTS.....	\$3,450.00	LEGAL FEES.....	\$1,175.00 = \$20,000.00

There were some legal questions regarding the execution of the FOIA's.

Other bills were brought up for discussion and answer questions about the items Vigansky was wanting more information on such as cemetery plaques, tractor rental, cold patch, and a invoice for a videographer.

Motion made by Vigansky, supported by Weedon, to approve the expenditures for January 22nd, 2024, in the amount of \$176,165.74.

Roll call vote carries unanimously.

XVI. Communications *(informational only, formal board action is not necessary for these items, unless so desired)*

XVII. Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items Only *(3-minute limit)*

Terry Sulak, 3209 Niles Buchanan Rd – I am worried about the traffic by High Profile. The night before Christmas Eve we went to Dollar General to finish up our Christmas shopping and we pulled into the handicapped parking, and we couldn't get out. There was traffic from High Profile down to where Hilltop was, it was everywhere. McDonalds was blocked off, you couldn't get into Dollar General. The police, if there was an emergency, wouldn't have gotten out to be there. I'd like to see something done because this is not the first time. Could they get parking in the back and how many more pot shops do we need? We are going to have to rename this town Buchannabis. Thank you very much.

Monroe Lemay, 118 Schirmer Parkway – Good evening commissioners. I want to talk about FOIA's. In 2010 I was nicknamed the FOIA queen and the reason I was nicknamed that was because we had a city manager who was embezzling money and doing some things that were really questionable. And it took me many FOIA's to finally prove that whatever I was saying was correct. It did not cost \$8,000. I am telling you that \$8,000 at \$250 an hour is 32 hours. I don't think \$230 is a lot for a lawyer, not around here that's what they take, but the fact that he takes so long to get something done made me more questionable about the attorney that we have because most attorneys, and I know that definitely Kotz does, they have a lot of paralegals that help them do that work. So I don't know how we can justify \$8,000 for FOIA. Now, back to the FOIA. I spoke to Tim and there are a lot of things that I have questions for that I would rather not FOIA because it does take time to FOIA. And it bothers her and it bothers everyone. If we can come into the office and look at the files that you feel are not FOIA-able or that nothing to do with staff or anything like that we would be happy to come in and do that. I can't speak for everybody, but I know I would. I'd much rather sit there and look at the paperwork to try and figure out what it is I am looking for and what it is that will answer my questions regarding certain things in this community. So, if that's possible we would definitely take that route, I would definitely take that route and save us a lot of money. But \$8,000 for FOIA's I know how many FOIA's you've had, I gave you three of them and they did not need a lawyer to get this. But I know it has to go through the lawyer because that's the law. So, if it goes through the lawyer and he says yes you can give him that. That should not cost you more than hour for him to say that. Please, be honest with us and find out why the lawyer is charging you \$8,000 for FOIA.

XVIII. Executive Comments

A. City Manager Comments (47:33)

Lynch: It's great to see so many familiar faces here. I am looking forward to great things here in the City of Buchanan. We are currently wrapping up our financial audit for submittal to the state next week and I am working with Mike Baker in submitting a grant application to EGLE seeking funding for technical, managerial, and financial support for lead service line replacement. We are practicing together trying to get this grant application out and hopefully we will be successful. It is due at the end of the month and there are no local matching funds required.

B. Commissioner Comments

Weedon: First of all, Dan thank you for bringing up the questions about the checks and about the expenditures. I think that is something that the public needs to be aware of it is something that is easily passed over and easily forgotten about. To Monroes point, there were some unethical things happening in 2010 and it did become a FOIA issue and they uncovered it. I don't think its unusual for somebody to do that and Dan might have a delivery that doesn't sound like its going to be calm and reasonable but he has questions you guys need to hear and answers that you need to get. Theres nothing wrong with that so thank you Dan for bringing that up. Number two, its very interesting when we get to FOIA's and we immediately think oh gosh what do we have, what do I need to find and the new look at what the request is and the majority of the time there is none. And its interesting because I know they are trying to find something, it doesn't mean anything is there, they want answers, but when you get the requests the first thing I get to email back to Kalla is nope no documentation. Not for the fear of somebody finding anything out or somebody uncovering some kind of mystery or secretive thing that's happen within the society they are creating. It doesn't exist. So the FOIA's only happen because people think there is something to uncover. In five years I have seen multiple and it is very interesting to me to send those in and wonder what is it they think they're going to find when I get to have the luxury of saying none. That's wonderful, that's what it should be. That means we are being transparent that means that the information they are requesting doesn't exist good, bad, or indifferent. So, I thank you for those because it does prove things are being done correctly.

Swem: I had FOIA on my list of topics to chat about as well. As we talked in the beginning, it puts a ton on the city hall staff and if we are trying to be efficient with our time and what we are spending taxpayer dollars on just keep in mind it takes a lot out of them to do that work. Half the time I know, much like Marks response, my response is there's no documents or communication associated with that. It kind of hurts my heart to see what people thinks is going on that's not really going on. It is what it is, we have to write checks to pay for those bills. The High-Profile piece Terry, I agree with you. Our team has been having a conversation because that was not a great day for the community and there was a lot of Facebook advertising things on that which didn't put us in the best light. Then I read a news story that was shared by some individuals in this community put out there by WSBT and I am really disappointed in it. That said, four commissioners were trying to remove the mayor which is not a true statement at all. The news is going to be down here, my expectation out of you is the factual reporting you have an ethical standard. Don't misquote me when you have everything on video, do your research. You have to do better than that.

Vigansky: With that being said I want to thank all of you guys in the media because you've been doing a damn good job I just wish you did a little more investigative reporting. You've been quoting me quite well and you have to back track because things have been said down here. As far as embarrassing people, I have a high expectation for people earning their paychecks. I have a city manager, I had a city manager now. Was he put in the seat right correctly? No. He understands that, according to your charter. You guys want to think you can do what you want to do but you want to shout me down and act pompous. Just sitting there you look pompous. Then telling me I shouldn't even be sitting here.

Denison asks: But you're not trying to embarrass anybody right? No. He sits there and he's pompous I

don't care he's pompous as hell. The thing about it is, I voted you in. I won't vote for him but you catered to him and you couldn't stand him three years ago. You wanted to deal with him but none of that's ever said and this is your politics folks. This is what your politics really are. And whether you like them or not were not catering. I'm not going to cater to the carpetbaggers the shyster or the snake oil salesman and you still have them in this town. This town has spent 100 years trying to get ahead of itself and it hasn't. It brought Clarks to town and then it laid down. It's laid down ever since. We brought marijuana into town and all anybody can do is bitch about it. It's shot life into town, we haven't dealt with it well in some ways. The antique dealers come into town, everybody complains they are only open on the weekends because they don't cater to the locals but they still bring money and business into town. So you need to wrap your arms around the businesses because the locals have never, including Clark Equipment going that far back. Clark Equipment was a great enabler, it was a sugar daddy. And when it got tired of being a sugar daddy it left. That being said, and I love this city I've lived in this city twice. I moved out and I moved back. So, I love this city and I'm looking out for your dollar, every one of your dollars nonstop because nothing else matters but your dollars. Thank you.

Money: Well on a brighter note, thank you Cory and thank you Jason for the work you did. It's well deserved. Enough can't be said for the police department that we have here. Supposedly we wanted out of here but that was never the case. And I'm quite sure that the people that are here really appreciate what you do for this city. And to include Mr. Burnett and Mr. Ganus too. Thanks to Mike Baker and his crew for keeping our city streets clean. I see there was a lot of stuff on Facebook and we all know how that goes because social media is the grace of Buchanan. You know they want to complain that you didn't get somebody's ally but I see you folks going out there, I see you doing a lot of good stuff. I'm quite sure that the citizens of Buchanan other than a few which probably don't even live in the city of Buchanan. Once again we don't need to talk about the FOIA information, it is what it is. We'll all take care of that as we see fit. Thank you to this commission once again for doing all the hard work that they put in. Thank you to our staff out there that put in a lot of hours. Welcome aboard Tim, its good to have you back.

C. Mayor Comments

Tim, it is good to have you back. I too want to thank Officer Reed and Officer Cullum. Those kinds of things are the reason that community's organizations should be here following because those are the stories you should be watching. That along with the other great things that happen in this town like the huge number of volunteers we have at the scarecrow charities, and the trail friends, and ram love. There are so many good things you could be reporting on, but you only show up when we seem to be yelling at one another unfortunately. If you can drive through this town and not tell you there's economic development happening, you're driving through town with your eyes closed because there is so much happening in this town it's remarkable. And it's due to the hard work of people like Ashley, Rich, Julie, Anne Tuite, Peter Lysy, Rich Martin, and it goes on and on. There's a ton of people working to good in this town and it's working and it's only going to get better. As Peter mentioned in his statement, once we get the Main Street designation it opens the doors to enormous amounts of funds and information. You get to work with other people who are doing the same things and you get to find what works in their neighborhoods and in their cities. It's worth all the effort you've put in, thank you.

XIX. Adjourn

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM.

Roll call vote carries unanimously.

Kalla Langston, City Clerk

Mayor Sean Denison

Post Date	Journal	Description	GL Number	DR Amount	CR Amount
01/31/2024	AP	AALFS PETROLEUM INC.	Invoice: 01.31.24 Ref#: 27783 (JANUARY FUEL CHARGES)		
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		GAS AND OIL	592-590.000-751.000	83.04	
		GAS AND OIL	101-567.000-751.000	630.17	
		Vnd: 0336 Invoice: 01.31.24	101-000.000-202.000		5,664.92
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02/05/2024	AP	ALS GROUP USA, CORP.	Invoice: 4120-99394171 Ref#: 27728 (PFAS TESTING - NOTE: \$45 ADD. FOR INV)		
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		Vnd: 1693 Invoice: 4120-99394171	592-000.000-202.000		795.00
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02/05/2024	AP	AT&T	Invoice: 12.17.23-01.16.24 Ref#: 27729 (MONTHLY BILLING)		
		TELEPHONE, INTERNET, CABLE	101-753.000-853.000	155.14	
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02/06/2024	AP	BERRIEN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Vnd: 0340 Invoice: 02.06.24	Invoice: 02.06.24 Ref#: 27832 (SPLITTING & COMBINING PROPERTY APPLICATI) 101-700.000-735.000 101-000.000-202.000	100.00	100.00
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02/05/2024	AP	BERRIEN COUNTY RECORD PUBLIC NOTICE Vnd: 0339 Invoice: 01.18.24	Invoice: 01.18.24 Ref#: 27770 (PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE - POSSIBLE SALE OF) 101-700.000-735.000 101-000.000-202.000	50.00	50.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		50.00	50.00
02/05/2024	AP	BERRIEN COUNTY RECORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Vnd: 0339 Invoice: 01.18.24-2	Invoice: 01.18.24-2 Ref#: 27771 (PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE - APPLICATION FOR) 101-700.000-735.000 101-000.000-202.000	40.00	40.00
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02/05/2024	AP	BERRIEN COUNTY RECORD LEGAL NOTICES & RECORDINGS Vnd: 0339 Invoice: 02.01.24	Invoice: 02.01.24 Ref#: 27772 (PUBLIC NOTICE - PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE) 101-215.000-903.000 101-000.000-202.000	76.00	76.00
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02/05/2024	AP	BRIAN MURPHY CONTRACTUAL CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 2338 Invoice: 02.05.24	Invoice: 02.05.24 Ref#: 27779 (JOINT W/S BOARD MTG) 592-591.000-818.000 592-590.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	27.50 27.50	55.00
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02/05/2024	AP	CINTAS CORPORATION CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1272 Invoice: 4181723509	Invoice: 4181723509 Ref#: 27753 (MATS FOR CITY HALL) 101-441.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	83.94	83.94
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01/30/2024	AP	CINTAS CORPORATION CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1272 Invoice: 5193439591	Invoice: 5193439591 Ref#: 27756 (WASTE WATER - MEDICAL CABINET) 592-590.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	59.86	59.86
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01/30/2024	AP	CINTAS CORPORATION CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1272 Invoice: 5193439593	Invoice: 5193439593 Ref#: 27757 (CITY HALL - MEDICAL CABINET) 101-265.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	122.72	122.72
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		122.72	122.72
01/30/2024	AP	CINTAS CORPORATION CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1272 Invoice: 5193439592	Invoice: 5193439592 Ref#: 27758 (FIRE DEPARTMENT - MEDICAL CABINET) 101-336.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	62.87	62.87
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		62.87	62.87

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02/06/2024	AP	CINTAS CORPORATION CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1272 Invoice: 4182411675	Invoice: 4182411675 Ref#: 27836(SHOP MATS & TOWELS) 101-441.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	154.17	154.17
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		154.17	154.17
02/05/2024	AP	CITY OF BRIDGMAN CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1845 Invoice: 00277	Invoice: 00277 Ref#: 27735(WATER SAMPLES - 3 MONTHS) 592-591.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	540.00	540.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		540.00	540.00
02/05/2024	AP	CODE OFFICIALS CONFERENCE OF CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 0116 Invoice: 2024	Invoice: 2024 Ref#: 27736(2024 COCM MEMBERSHIP FEE) 101-371.001-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	45.00	45.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		45.00	45.00
02/02/2024	AP	COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 2334 Invoice: 0000908998	Invoice: 0000908998 Ref#: 27749(ASR #5 - CA SERVICES - PROF SERVICES TH 469-000.000-818.000 469-000.000-202.000	110.00	110.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		110.00	110.00
01/31/2024	AP	COMCAST BUSINESS CITY CENTER/UTIL./REFUNDS TELEPHONE, INTERNET, CABLE TELEPHONE, INTERNET, CABLE TELEPHONE, INTERNET, CABLE UTILITIES - CITY HALL TELEPHONE, INTERNET, CABLE Vnd: 1722 Invoice: 01.25.24-02.24.24 Vnd: 1722 Invoice: 01.25.24-02.24.24	Invoice: 01.25.24-02.24.24 Ref#: 27752(MOTHLY CYCLE) 101-265.000-922.000 101-336.000-853.000 592-591.000-853.000 101-301.000-853.000 101-265.000-921.000 592-591.000-853.000 101-000.000-202.000 592-000.000-202.000	249.71 367.77 124.85 587.17 672.17 91.90	1,876.82 216.75
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		2,093.57	2,093.57
02/02/2024	AP	CULLIGAN OF COLOMA CONTRACTUAL - WATER Vnd: 1789 Invoice: 01.20.24	Invoice: 01.20.24 Ref#: 27751(CITY HALL WATER) 101-265.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	53.00	53.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		53.00	53.00

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01/31/2024	AP	CUSTOM COMPUTER COMPANY LLC CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 0895 Invoice: 3264	Invoice: 3264 Ref#: 27784 (RING CENTRAL PHONE PLAN CITY HALL) 101-265.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	817.50	817.50
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		817.50	817.50
02/06/2024	AP	DALE'S AUTO SALES & SERVICE MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 1144 Invoice: 16522	Invoice: 16522 Ref#: 27837 (PARTS) 202-463.000-756.000 202-000.000-202.000	70.94	70.94
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		70.94	70.94
02/05/2024	AP	DAVE SPURLOCK POLICE RESERVES Vnd: 0630 Invoice: 01.24.24	Invoice: 01.24.24 Ref#: 27781 (RESERVE HOURS - BB GAME) 701-000.000-150.000 701-000.000-202.000	24.00	24.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		24.00	24.00
02/05/2024	AP	ELEMENT MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1186 Invoice: 24-145632	Invoice: 24-145632 Ref#: 27737 (COPPER TESTING) 592-590.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	38.10	38.10
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		38.10	38.10
02/06/2024	AP	EUROFINS EATON ANALYTICAL. CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 0272 Invoice: 8100064209	Invoice: 8100064209 Ref#: 27823 (WELL # 5 SAMPLES - MISSED INVOICE) 592-591.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	175.00	175.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		175.00	175.00
02/06/2024	AP	EXEMPLAR IT SOLUTIONS EXEMPLAR Vnd: 2228 Invoice: 1250	Invoice: 1250 Ref#: 27801 (IT SUPPORT - JANUARY 2024 CITY HALL (VPN)) 101-265.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	613.58	613.58
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		613.58	613.58
02/06/2024	AP	EXEMPLAR IT SOLUTIONS EXEMPLAR Vnd: 2228 Invoice: 1251	Invoice: 1251 Ref#: 27802 (IT SUPPORT - JANUARY 2024 PD) 101-301.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	67.50	67.50
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		67.50	67.50

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02/06/2024	AP	EXEMPLAR IT SOLUTIONS EXEMPLAR CONTRACT Vnd: 2228 Invoice: 1259	Invoice: 1259 Ref#: 27803 (CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2024) 101-265.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	2,492.80	2,492.80
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		2,492.80	2,492.80
02/06/2024	AP	EXEMPLAR IT SOLUTIONS EXEMPLAR Vnd: 2228 Invoice: 1252	Invoice: 1252 Ref#: 27804 (SCADA CONNECTION ASSIST) 592-591.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	72.00	72.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		72.00	72.00
02/06/2024	AP	FERGUSON EQUIPMENT INC. MAINTENANCE - EQUIPMENT Vnd: 2211 Invoice: 71281	Invoice: 71281 Ref#: 27838 (WESTERN STAR PLOW) 101-441.000-933.000 101-000.000-202.000	1,312.21	1,312.21
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		1,312.21	1,312.21
02/05/2024	AP	FOX FIRE SAFETY SALES & SERVICE MAINTENANCE-BUILDINGS Vnd: 2127 Invoice: 140080	Invoice: 140080 Ref#: 27767 (FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINTENANCE) 592-590.000-931.000 592-000.000-202.000	94.95	94.95
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		94.95	94.95
02/05/2024	AP	GASVODA & ASSOCIATES. INC. MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 1892 Invoice: INV23PTS0566	Invoice: INV23PTS0566 Ref#: 27739 (UV AIR COMPRESSOR REPAIR - FILTER, WA) 592-590.000-756.000 592-000.000-202.000	299.52	299.52
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		299.52	299.52
02/05/2024	AP	GERLICH, GERALD WATER Vnd: MISC Invoice: FINAL	Invoice: FINAL Ref#: 27774 (UB refund for account: 6417) 592-000.000-033.000 592-000.000-202.000	6.09	6.09
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		6.09	6.09
02/05/2024	AP	GRAINGER MAINTENANCE - EQUIPMENT Vnd: 0248 Invoice: 9972819420	Invoice: 9972819420 Ref#: 27740 (BLEACH DOSING PUMP) 592-590.000-933.000 592-000.000-202.000	697.09	697.09
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		697.09	697.09

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02/05/2024	AP	GRAINGER MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 0248 Invoice: 9974033152	Invoice: 9974033152 Ref#: 27741(UV FUSES) 592-590.000-756.000 592-000.000-202.000	102.37	102.37
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		102.37	102.37
02/06/2024	AP	GRAINGER MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 0248 Invoice: 9002753557	Invoice: 9002753557 Ref#: 27829(BATTERIES & TOILET PAPER - WWTP) 592-590.000-756.000 592-000.000-202.000	111.02	111.02
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		111.02	111.02
02/06/2024	AP	GRAINGER OFFICE SUPPLIES Vnd: 0248 Invoice: 9007461263	Invoice: 9007461263 Ref#: 27830(COPIER PAPER) 592-590.000-728.000 592-000.000-202.000	84.68	84.68
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		84.68	84.68
02/06/2024	AP	GRAINGER MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 0248 Invoice: 9001067116	Invoice: 9001067116 Ref#: 27831(TUBING CONNECTORS) 592-590.000-756.000 592-000.000-202.000	118.80	118.80
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		118.80	118.80
02/05/2024	AP	GREAT LAKES & ST. LAWRENCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Vnd: MISC Invoice: 1727	Invoice: 1727 Ref#: 27763(2024 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP) 101-700.000-735.000 101-000.000-202.000	825.00	825.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		825.00	825.00
02/05/2024	AP	GUY EDWARD LEWIS CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 0023 Invoice: JAN. 2024	Invoice: JAN. 2024 Ref#: 27738(MIELAGE REIMBURSEMENT) 101-371.001-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	25.55	25.55
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		25.55	25.55
02/05/2024	AP	HAAS SYSTEMS, INC. ALARM MONITORING Vnd: 0028 Invoice: 20095	Invoice: 20095 Ref#: 27764(QUARTERLY ALARM MONITORING - PEARS MILL) 101-753.000-922.000 101-000.000-202.000	81.00	81.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		81.00	81.00

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02/05/2024	AP	HAAS SYSTEMS, INC. MAINTENANCE-BUILDINGS Vnd: 0028 Invoice: 20217	Invoice: 20217 Ref#: 27765 (QUARTERLY ALARM MONITORING - ROSS SANDER) 101-265.000-931.000 101-000.000-202.000	103.50	103.50
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		103.50	103.50
02/05/2024	AP	HAAS SYSTEMS, INC. ALARM MONITORING Vnd: 0028 Invoice: 20456	Invoice: 20456 Ref#: 27766 (SERVICE CALL TO ADJUST BUILDING TEMP - P) 101-753.000-922.000 101-000.000-202.000	157.50	157.50
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		157.50	157.50
02/06/2024	AP	HEIN ELECTRIC INC. MAINTENANCE - EQUIPMENT Vnd: 2175 Invoice: J24-011	Invoice: J24-011 Ref#: 27826 (REPLACED EXISTING POWER SUPPLY) 592-590.000-933.000 592-000.000-202.000	845.23	845.23
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		845.23	845.23
02/05/2024	AP	HULL LIFT TRUCK MAINTENANCE - EQUIPMENT Vnd: 0297 Invoice: PSI-0394553	Invoice: PSI-0394553 Ref#: 27732 (SERVICE FOR MINI LOADER) 101-567.000-933.000 101-000.000-202.000	459.02	459.02
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		459.02	459.02
02/05/2024	AP	HULL LIFT TRUCK MAINTENANCE - EQUIPMENT Vnd: 0297 Invoice: PSI-0394552	Invoice: PSI-0394552 Ref#: 27733 (SERVICE ON TOOLCAT) 101-567.000-933.000 101-000.000-202.000	476.20	476.20
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		476.20	476.20
02/05/2024	AP	ICMA MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS MEMBERSHIP AND DUES Vnd: 2144 Invoice: 1074954-2024	Invoice: 1074954-2024 Ref#: 27761 (ICMA MEMBERSHIP - CITY MANAGER) 101-172.000-831.000 101-000.000-202.000	540.80	540.80
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		540.80	540.80

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01/31/2024	AP	INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER COMPANY	<i>Invoice: 01.31.24 Ref#: 27785 (JANUARY 2024 POWER USAGE)</i>		
		UTILITIES	101-265.000-921.000	69.53	
		UTILITIES	101-301.000-921.000	658.29	
		UTILITIES	101-441.000-921.000	148.98	
		UTILITIES	101-336.000-921.000	21.67	
		UTILITIES	101-753.000-921.000	96.76	
		CITY CENTER/UTIL./REFUNDS	101-265.000-922.000	78.30	
		UTILITIES	592-591.000-921.000	2,672.12	
		STREET LIGHTING	101-441.000-926.000	2,764.82	
		UTILITIES	592-590.000-921.000	5,925.11	
		UTILITIES	101-755.000-921.000	137.19	
		Vnd: 0131 Invoice: 01.31.24	101-000.000-202.000		3,975.54
		Vnd: 0131 Invoice: 01.31.24	592-000.000-202.000		8,597.23
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		12,572.77	12,572.77
02/05/2024	AP	INTEGRA REALTY RESOURCES	<i>Invoice: 01.17.24 Ref#: 27742 (INVOICE FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES)</i>		
		TRAIL GRANT EXPENDITURES	401-000.000-970.031	4,650.00	
		Vnd: MISC Invoice: 01.17.24	401-000.000-202.000		4,650.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		4,650.00	4,650.00
02/06/2024	AP	J DEFAY CLEANERS & LAUNDRY	<i>Invoice: 07.23-11.23 Ref#: 27835 (DRY CLEANING)</i>		
		UNIFORM CLEANING	101-301.000-769.000	43.00	
		Vnd: 1932 Invoice: 07.23-11.23	101-000.000-202.000		43.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		43.00	43.00
02/05/2024	AP	JACK DOHENY SUPPLIES, INC.	<i>Invoice: 217989 Ref#: 27759 (RUBBER GASKET FOR VACTOR)</i>		
		MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	203-469.000-756.000	22.09	
		MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	202-469.000-756.000	22.09	
		Vnd: 0907 Invoice: 217989	203-000.000-202.000		22.09
		Vnd: 0907 Invoice: 217989	202-000.000-202.000		22.09
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		44.18	44.18
02/05/2024	AP	JACK DOHENY SUPPLIES, INC.	<i>Invoice: 217730 Ref#: 27760 (HOSE & NOZZLE FOR VACTOR TRUCK)</i>		
		MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	202-469.000-756.000	845.45	
		MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	203-469.000-756.000	845.45	
		Vnd: 0907 Invoice: 217730	202-000.000-202.000		845.45
		Vnd: 0907 Invoice: 217730	203-000.000-202.000		845.45
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		1,690.90	1,690.90

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02/05/2024	AP	KCI CONTRACTUAL CONTRACTUAL POSTAGE POSTAGE Vnd: 2120 Invoice: 331580	Invoice: 331580 Ref#: 27782 (FEBRUARY WATER BILLS) 592-590.000-818.000 592-591.000-818.000 592-590.000-730.000 592-591.000-730.000 592-000.000-202.000	254.85 254.85 413.00 413.00	1,335.70
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		1,335.70	1,335.70
02/06/2024	AP	KEN SIMPSON ELECTRICAL PERMITS Vnd: 0194 Invoice: 240212	Invoice: 240212 Ref#: 27800 (JANUARY 2024 ELECTRICAL PERMITS) 701-000.000-491.000 701-000.000-202.000	1,848.80	1,848.80
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		1,848.80	1,848.80
02/05/2024	AP	LARRY C. MONEY CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1984 Invoice: 02.05.24	Invoice: 02.05.24 Ref#: 27778 (JOINT W/S BOARD MTG) 592-591.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	55.00	55.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		55.00	55.00
02/05/2024	AP	LEADER PUBLICATIONS LLC PUBLIC NOTICE Vnd: 0231 Invoice: 1766667	Invoice: 1766667 Ref#: 27768 (HEARING - POSSIBLE SALE OF 401 RIVER ST) 101-700.000-735.000 101-000.000-202.000	45.64	45.64
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		45.64	45.64
02/05/2024	AP	LEADER PUBLICATIONS LLC PUBLIC NOTICE Vnd: 0231 Invoice: 1766666	Invoice: 1766666 Ref#: 27769 (HEARING - CDBG GRANT) 101-700.000-735.000 101-000.000-202.000	54.22	54.22
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		54.22	54.22
02/05/2024	AP	LRS, LLC 29205.5 29199.1 29205.1 29205.4 29205.3 29205.2 Vnd: 2331 Invoice: 01.25.24 Vnd: 2331 Invoice: 01.25.24	Invoice: 01.25.24 Ref#: 27786 (MONTHLY TRASH SERVICE) 101-567.000-921.000 101-265.000-922.000 101-441.000-921.000 592-590.000-921.000 101-265.000-921.000 101-265.000-921.000 101-000.000-202.000 592-000.000-202.000	89.73 89.73 337.92 89.73 134.74 134.74	786.86 89.73
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		876.59	876.59

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02/05/2024	AP	LRS, LLC	<i>Invoice: 01.25.24. Ref#: 27787 (TRASH SERVICE FOR 02.01.24-04.30.24)</i>		
		29204.1	101-301.000-921.000	67.05	
		29201.2	101-265.000-921.000	37.05	
		29200.1	101-265.000-922.000	37.05	
		29201.1	101-265.000-921.000	46.95	
		29202.1	101-265.000-921.000	37.05	
		2726.1	101-336.000-921.000	46.95	
		Vnd: 2331 Invoice: 01.25.24.	101-000.000-202.000		272.10
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		272.10	272.10
02/05/2024	AP	MALINDA COLE-CROCKER	<i>Invoice: 02.05.24 Ref#: 27777 (JOINT W/S BOARD MTG)</i>		
		CONTRACTUAL	592-590.000-818.000	55.00	
		Vnd: 1725 Invoice: 02.05.24	592-000.000-202.000		55.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		55.00	55.00
02/02/2024	AP	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL TREASURERS	<i>Invoice: 9648 Ref#: 27750 (TREASURER-TREASURER 2024 BUNDLE)</i>		
		CONTRACTUAL	101-253.000-818.000	99.00	
		Vnd: 1879 Invoice: 9648	101-000.000-202.000		99.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		99.00	99.00
02/05/2024	AP	MID-STATES BOLT & SCREW CO.	<i>Invoice: 32591606 Ref#: 27748 (BOLTS FOR WESTERN STAR PLOW)</i>		
		MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	101-441.000-756.000	336.49	
		Vnd: 0112 Invoice: 32591606	101-000.000-202.000		336.49
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		336.49	336.49
02/06/2024	AP	MID-STATES BOLT & SCREW CO.	<i>Invoice: 32594906 Ref#: 27842 (LOCKNUT FOR CEM.)</i>		
		MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	101-567.000-756.000	5.00	
		Vnd: 0112 Invoice: 32594906	101-000.000-202.000		5.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		5.00	5.00

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07/31/2023	AP	MML WORKERS COMP FUND	Invoice: 9702206 Ref#: 27833 (POLICY PREMIUM 7/1/23-7/1/24 - INSTALLME)		
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-172.000-715.000	350.32	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	202-267.000-715.000	87.10	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	203-267.000-715.000	87.10	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	592-590.000-715.000	1,022.59	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	592-591.000-715.000	833.22	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-215.000-715.000	189.36	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-262.000-715.000	47.33	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-253.000-715.000	223.45	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-257.000-715.000	189.36	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-567.000-715.000	142.02	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-441.000-715.000	181.79	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	202-463.000-715.000	251.85	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	202-468.000-715.000	121.19	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	202-474.000-715.000	66.27	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	202-478.000-715.000	155.27	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	203-463.000-715.000	200.72	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	203-468.000-715.000	100.36	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	203-469.000-715.000	62.48	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	203-474.000-715.000	56.80	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	203-478.000-715.000	85.22	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-301.000-715.000	2,291.38	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-315.000-715.000	1,514.96	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-371.001-715.000	189.37	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	101-336.000-715.000	2,840.55	
		FRINGE BENEFITS	202-469.000-715.000	71.94	
		Vnd: 1858 Invoice: 9702206	101-000.000-202.000		8,159.89
		Vnd: 1858 Invoice: 9702206	202-000.000-202.000		753.62
		Vnd: 1858 Invoice: 9702206	203-000.000-202.000		592.68
		Vnd: 1858 Invoice: 9702206	592-000.000-202.000		1,855.81
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		11,362.00	11,362.00
02/05/2024	AP	MPEC	Invoice: 729784 Ref#: 27743 (RADIATOR HOSE & CLAMP)		
		MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	101-441.000-756.000	29.20	
		Vnd: 2315 Invoice: 729784	101-000.000-202.000		29.20
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		29.20	29.20
02/05/2024	AP	MPEC	Invoice: 729172 Ref#: 27744 (TRUCK OIL CHANGE - DIESEL ANTIGEL)		
		GAS AND OIL	592-590.000-751.000	27.97	
		Vnd: 2315 Invoice: 729172	592-000.000-202.000		27.97
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		27.97	27.97

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02/05/2024	AP	MPEC GAS AND OIL Vnd: 2315 Invoice: 728410	Invoice: 728410 Ref#: 27745 (TRUCK OIL CHANGE) 592-590.000-751.000 592-000.000-202.000	99.21	99.21
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		99.21	99.21
02/05/2024	AP	MPEC MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 2315 Invoice: 730531	Invoice: 730531 Ref#: 27773 (OIL FILTOR FOR VAULT CART) 101-567.000-756.000 101-000.000-202.000	11.99	11.99
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		11.99	11.99
02/06/2024	AP	MPEC MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 2315 Invoice: 730530	Invoice: 730530 Ref#: 27840 (PARTS FOR SERVICE ON 2008 FORD F250) 101-441.000-756.000 101-000.000-202.000	388.70	388.70
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		388.70	388.70
02/06/2024	AP	MPEC MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 2315 Invoice: 730957	Invoice: 730957 Ref#: 27841 (MOBIL PART FOR DPW) 101-441.000-756.000 101-000.000-202.000	14.58	14.58
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		14.58	14.58
02/05/2024	AP	MWEA EDUCATION AND TRAINING Vnd: 1709 Invoice: E33876	Invoice: E33876 Ref#: 27746 (OPERATOR EDUCATION - MUNICIPAL A&B REVIE) 592-590.000-960.000 592-000.000-202.000	40.00	40.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		40.00	40.00
02/05/2024	AP	MWEA EDUCATION AND TRAINING Vnd: 1709 Invoice: E33875	Invoice: E33875 Ref#: 27747 (OPERATOR EDUCATION - ACTIVATED SLUDGE II) 592-590.000-960.000 592-000.000-202.000	275.00	275.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		275.00	275.00
02/06/2024	AP	NALCO CROSSBOW WATER CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 1304 Invoice: 8299532	Invoice: 8299532 Ref#: 27827 (DI WATER SYSTEM TANK EXCHANGE) 592-590.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	282.78	282.78
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		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		231.33	231.33
02/05/2024	AP	NORTH SHORE ANALYTICAL CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 0258 Invoice: 14588	Invoice: 14588 Ref#: 27791 (MERCURY TESTING) 592-590.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	350.00	350.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		350.00	350.00
01/31/2024	AP	PARRETT COMPANY PRINTER PRINTER PRINTER PRINTER Vnd: 1596 Invoice: 75798 Vnd: 1596 Invoice: 75798	Invoice: 75798 Ref#: 27792 (PRINTERS FOR CITY HALL, PD & WWTP) 592-590.000-818.000 101-301.000-818.000 101-265.000-818.000 101-265.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000 101-000.000-202.000	2.73 68.06 166.40 22.70	2.73 257.16
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		259.89	259.89
02/05/2024	AP	PATRICK SWEM CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 2337 Invoice: 02.05.24	Invoice: 02.05.24 Ref#: 27775 (JOINT W/S BOARD MTG) 592-591.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	55.00	55.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		55.00	55.00
02/06/2024	AP	PAYNES EXCAVATING, LLC CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 0857 Invoice: 1.29.24	Invoice: 1.29.24 Ref#: 27820 (133.36 TON CLASS 2 SAND FOR WATER DIGS) 592-591.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	1,333.60	1,333.60
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		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		75.00	75.00	
02/05/2024	AP	REDBUD HARDWARE DRUM LINERS TRES. PASS SIGN, SEAM ROLLER, CEMENT FASTNERS FASTNERS FASTNERS COPPER PIPE COMPRESSION SHOVELS & CLR SHOP VAC & FILTER WINDSHIELF DE-ICER FOR LOCK BOX DRILL TAP CAR WASH SOAP PUSHER BOX FOR LOADER SMALL TORCH TO THAW LOCKS - PROPANE FASTNERS ALM K/B SILCN LINE CLAMPS FOR VACTOR TRUCK MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES TOILET CLEANER Vnd: 0141 Invoice: 01.31.24 Vnd: 0141 Invoice: 01.31.24 Vnd: 0141 Invoice: 01.31.24	Invoice: 01.31.24 Ref#: 27799 (JANUARY 2024 PURCHASES) 101-441.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 592-590.000-756.000 592-590.000-756.000 592-590.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 101-265.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 592-590.000-751.000 202-478.000-756.000 202-478.000-756.000 202-478.000-756.000 101-441.000-756.000 592-591.000-728.000 101-000.000-202.000 592-000.000-202.000 202-000.000-202.000	24.99 34.46 3.72 3.44 14.04 1.94 15.98 73.97 22.99 4.99 4.99 7.99 42.78 6.49 3.79 8.99 6.28 23.54 3.49		187.93 101.87 19.06
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02/06/2024	AP	REITH-RILEY CONSTRUCTION CO. ROAD MAIN. MATERIAL & SUPPLIES ROAD MAIN. MATERIAL & SUPPLIES Vnd: 0130 Invoice: 2101201 Vnd: 0130 Invoice: 2101201	Invoice: 2101201 Ref#: 27844 (COLD PATCH) 202-463.000-782.000 203-463.000-782.000 202-000.000-202.000 203-000.000-202.000	777.00 777.00	777.00 777.00	
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		1,554.00	1,554.00	
02/05/2024	AP	RMC PROPERTIES LLC UTILITIES Vnd: 2153 Invoice: 27	Invoice: 27 Ref#: 27797 (UTILITIES FOR 2023) 101-441.000-921.000 101-000.000-202.000	7,668.87	7,668.87	
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		7,668.87	7,668.87	

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02/05/2024	AP	RMC PROPERTIES LLC CONTRACTUAL - LEASE Vnd: 2153 Invoice: 28	Invoice: 28 Ref#: 27798 (DPW BUILDING LEASE - FEB) 101-441.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	5,000.00	5,000.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		5,000.00	5,000.00
02/05/2024	AP	ROBERT ADAMS GAS AND OIL Vnd: 0084 Invoice: 02.04.24	Invoice: 02.04.24 Ref#: 27795 (REIMBURSEMENT FOR FUEL PURCHASED FOR 464) 101-336.000-751.000 101-000.000-202.000	140.23	140.23
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		140.23	140.23
02/05/2024	AP	ROSE PEST SOLUTIONS PEST CONTRACT Vnd: 0304 Invoice: 150606834	Invoice: 150606834 Ref#: 27793 (PEST CONTROL CONTRACT) 101-301.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	78.00	78.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		78.00	78.00
02/05/2024	AP	ROSE PEST SOLUTIONS CITY CENTER/UTIL./REFUNDS Vnd: 0304 Invoice: 150606577	Invoice: 150606577 Ref#: 27794 (PEST CONTROL CONTRACT) 101-265.000-922.000 101-000.000-202.000	55.00	55.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		55.00	55.00
01/23/2024	AP	RUSSELL, JAMES READY TO SERVE SEWER WATER READY TO SERVE Vnd: MISC Invoice: DEPOSIT ON ACCT CLSD	Invoice: DEPOSIT ON ACCT CLSD Ref#: 27721 (UB refund for account: 5541) 592-000.000-030.000 592-000.000-033.001 592-000.000-033.000 592-000.000-067.021 592-000.000-202.000	96.72 25.18 14.03 13.70	149.63
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		149.63	149.63
02/06/2024	AP	S.E BERRIEN COUNTY LANDFILL SLUDGE REMOVAL Vnd: 1746 Invoice: 0163567-IN	Invoice: 0163567-IN Ref#: 27807 (SLUDGE DISPOSAL) 592-590.000-936.000 592-000.000-202.000	344.55	344.55
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		344.55	344.55
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		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		342.20	342.20
02/06/2024	AP	S.E BERRIEN COUNTY LANDFILL SLUDGE REMOVAL Vnd: 1746 Invoice: 0163642-IN	Invoice: 0163642-IN Ref#: 27828 (SLUDGE DISPOSAL) 592-590.000-936.000 592-000.000-202.000	342.20	342.20
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		342.20	342.20
12/31/2023	AP	SEMCO ENERGY ACCT 0157168.501 ACCT 0157576.500 ACCT 0359411.500 ACCT 0374061.500 ACCT 0157577.500 ACCT 0158995.500 ACCT 0348966.501 ACCT 0158691.500 CITY CENTER/UTIL./REFUNDS BANK FEES AND CHARGES - ELEC. CHECK Vnd: 0459 Invoice: 11.29.23-12.29.23 Vnd: 0459 Invoice: 11.29.23-12.29.23	Invoice: 11.29.23-12.29.23 Ref#: 27811 (GAS ENERGY USAGE) 101-301.000-921.000 101-336.000-921.000 101-265.000-921.000 592-590.000-921.000 101-268.000-921.000 101-265.000-921.000 101-441.000-921.000 592-590.000-921.000 101-265.000-922.000 101-267.000-956.000 101-000.000-202.000 592-000.000-202.000	257.60 286.25 188.36 227.06 323.47 1,031.79 123.98 385.31 141.80 3.50	2,356.75 612.37
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		2,969.12	2,969.12
02/06/2024	AP	SOUTHWESTERN SUPPLY MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 1860 Invoice: 03/86710	Invoice: 03/86710 Ref#: 27809 (GASKET FOR PORK PUMP) 592-591.000-756.000 592-000.000-202.000	12.50	12.50
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		12.50	12.50
02/06/2024	AP	SOUTHWESTERN SUPPLY MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 1860 Invoice: 03/86785	Invoice: 03/86785 Ref#: 27839 (VOCTOR TRUCK GASKETS) 203-469.000-756.000 203-000.000-202.000	63.90	63.90
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		63.90	63.90
02/06/2024	AP	STATE OF MICHIGAN STORMWATER PHASE II Vnd: 1643 Invoice: 761-11180834	Invoice: 761-11180834 Ref#: 27805 (STORM WATER ANNUAL PERMIT FEE 2024, BU) 101-441.000-970.056 101-000.000-202.000	2,000.00	2,000.00
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02/06/2024	AP	STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP AND DUES Vnd: MISC Invoice: 2024	Invoice: 2024 Ref#: 27810 (2024 MUNICIPALITY INVESTOR COMMITMENT) 101-101.000-831.000 101-000.000-202.000	250.00	250.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		250.00	250.00
02/05/2024	AP	SWEET C. ROBINSON POLICE RESERVES Vnd: 1784 Invoice: 01.31.24	Invoice: 01.31.24 Ref#: 27780 (JANUARY RESERVE HOURS -17.5) 701-000.000-150.000 701-000.000-202.000	210.00	210.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		210.00	210.00
01/31/2024	AP	T MOBILE TELEPHONE, INTERNET, CABLE TELEPHONE, INTERNET, CABLE Vnd: 1963 Invoice: 02.01.24	Invoice: 02.01.24 Ref#: 27812 (SOM AGENCY AND EMPLOYEE - PHONE) 101-301.000-853.000 101-336.000-853.000 101-000.000-202.000	7.00 7.00	14.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		14.00	14.00
02/05/2024	AP	TOM GORDON CONTRACTUAL Vnd: 0065 Invoice: 02.05.24	Invoice: 02.05.24 Ref#: 27776 (JOINT W/S BAORD MTG) 592-590.000-818.000 592-000.000-202.000	55.00	55.00
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		55.00	55.00
02/06/2024	AP	USA BLUE BOOK LAB SUPPLIES Vnd: 0388 Invoice: INV00241255	Invoice: INV00241255 Ref#: 27815 (LAB SUPPLIES - WWTP) 592-590.000-757.000 592-000.000-202.000	423.52	423.52
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		423.52	423.52
02/06/2024	AP	UTILITY SUPPLY COMPANY METERS - HYDRANTS - FITTINGS Vnd: 2332 Invoice: 1469924	Invoice: 1469924 Ref#: 27821 (CLAMPS FOR WATER MAINS) 592-591.000-729.002 592-000.000-202.000	992.02	992.02
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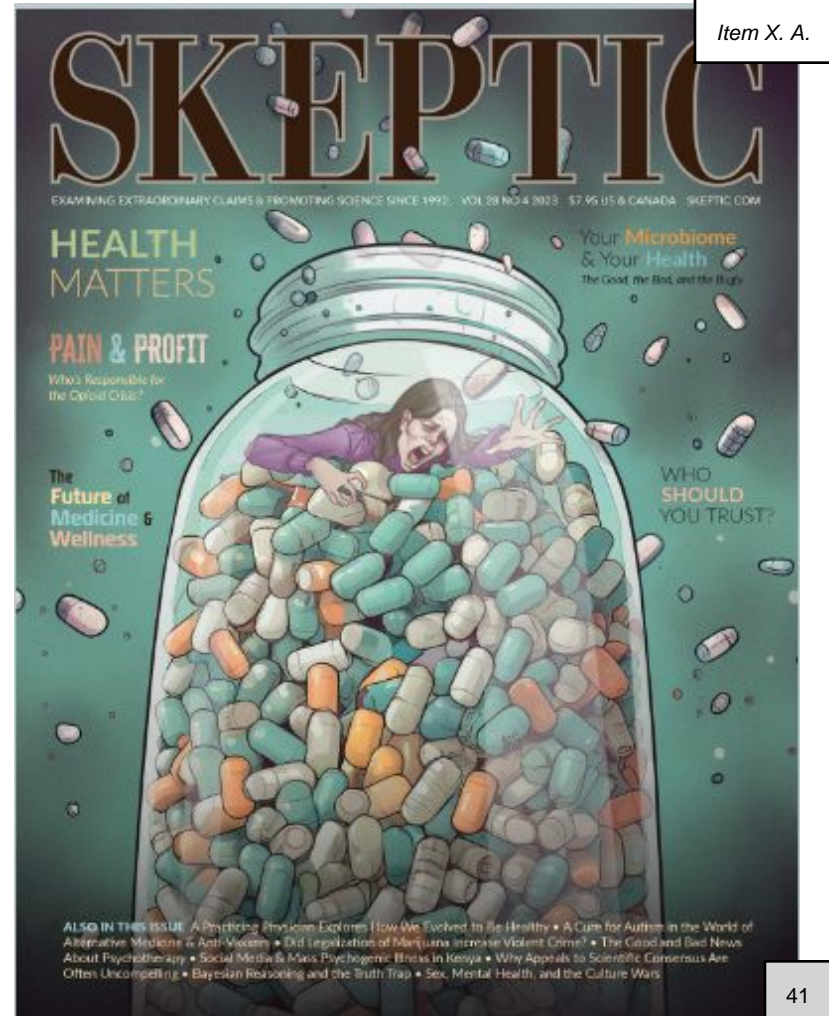
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		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		120.03	120.03
02/06/2024	AP	VITAL RECORDS CONTROL CONTRACTUAL - SHREDDING Vnd: 0595 Invoice: 4052334BEH1	Invoice: 4052334BEH1 Ref#: 27813(SHREDDING CONTRACT) 101-265.000-818.000 101-000.000-202.000	147.93	147.93
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		147.93	147.93
02/06/2024	AP	WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED CHEMICALS Vnd: 2339 Invoice: 120382	Invoice: 120382 Ref#: 27817(DISINFECTION FOR WWTP) 592-590.000-743.000 592-000.000-202.000	753.10	753.10
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		753.10	753.10
02/06/2024	AP	WEST SIDE TRACTOR MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 2061 Invoice: U65540	Invoice: U65540 Ref#: 27818(BEACON BRACKET) 101-441.000-756.000 101-000.000-202.000	245.35	245.35
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		245.35	245.35
02/06/2024	AP	WEST SIDE TRACTOR MAINTENANCE - EQUIPMENT Vnd: 2061 Invoice: U65686	Invoice: U65686 Ref#: 27843(LIGHT FOR LOADER) 101-441.000-933.000 101-000.000-202.000	273.50	273.50
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		273.50	273.50
02/06/2024	AP	WHITEFORD KENWORTH MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES Vnd: 0295 Invoice: 0130P29118	Invoice: 0130P29118 Ref#: 27819(SS HEATER PIPE) 101-441.000-756.000 101-000.000-202.000	388.75	388.75
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		388.75	388.75
02/06/2024	AP	WINDEMULLER ELECTRIC MAINTENANCE - SYSTEM Vnd: 1167 Invoice: 233360	Invoice: 233360 Ref#: 27816(SCADA SYSTEM UPGRADE) 592-590.000-938.000 592-000.000-202.000	1,212.96	1,212.96
		Expected Check Run: 02/12/2024		1,212.96	1,212.96
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Cash/Payable Account Totals:					
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		ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	592-000.000-202.000		27,267.59
		ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	701-000.000-202.000		2,082.80
			TOTAL INCREASE IN PAYABLE:		94,383.43

Did Grass Make Things Meaner?

Legalization of Marijuana and Violent Crime in the Nicest Place in America

by John D. Van Dyke



Topics

- Introduction
- A brief reminder of Buchanan's Nicest Place in America Designation
- Buchanan in 2020
- Marijuana comes to Buchanan
- Health and Economic arguments against marijuana
- My study
- Publication in *Skeptic Magazine*



A refresher...

Item X. A.



Buchanan in 2020

Item X. A.

2020 was also a notable year for Buchanan, Michigan

- Our Memorial Day Parade was cancelled due to COVID concerns.
- Our local American Legion Post #51 collected hundreds of pictures of our veterans and displayed them on banners along Main Street.
- In response to George Floyd's murder, Deeja Lee organized a Black Lives Matter march. On June 8, hundreds of us met at Buchanan High School and marched to our local police station, where we knelt in solidarity for 8:14 with the Buchanan PD.

That fall, I heard a radio ad calling for nominations to be considered Reader's Digest's *Nicest Place in America*. I wrote about Buchanan's efforts to honor our veterans and the memory of George Floyd. We won.



Marijuana comes to Buchanan!

In 2020 we also fully implemented legal marijuana in Buchanan.

Michigan had passed a medical marijuana law in 2008, and we'd spent the previous 10 years respectfully debating whether or not to bring it to our small town. In the fall of 2019, the city adopted a plan for six dispensaries.



The screenshot shows the top portion of a news website. At the top left is the ABC 57 logo. To its right is the slogan "see the difference" with "SOUTH BEND · ELKHART · ST. JOSEPH" underneath. Below this is a navigation bar with links for HOME, NEWS, WEATHER, SPORTS, SWEEPSTAKES, and ABOUT. The main content area features a large headline: "Newest marijuana dispensary opens in Buchanan". Below the headline is the byline "By: Roxie Elliott" and a timestamp "Posted: Jul 15, 2020 5:24 PM EST".

Health arguments against Marijuana

Correlation* between marijuana use has been found with:

- Neurophysical decline
- Cognitive impairment
- Highway deaths
- Lower educational attainment.
- Addiction

***Correlation \neq causation.**

Economic arguments against **Marijuana** legalization / adoption.

Tax revenue received from the legal sale of other vices (alcohol and tobacco) pales in comparison to the costs of healthcare for the individuals who consume them. Detractors extrapolate that the high costs of healthcare for marijuana users will outweigh the revenue.

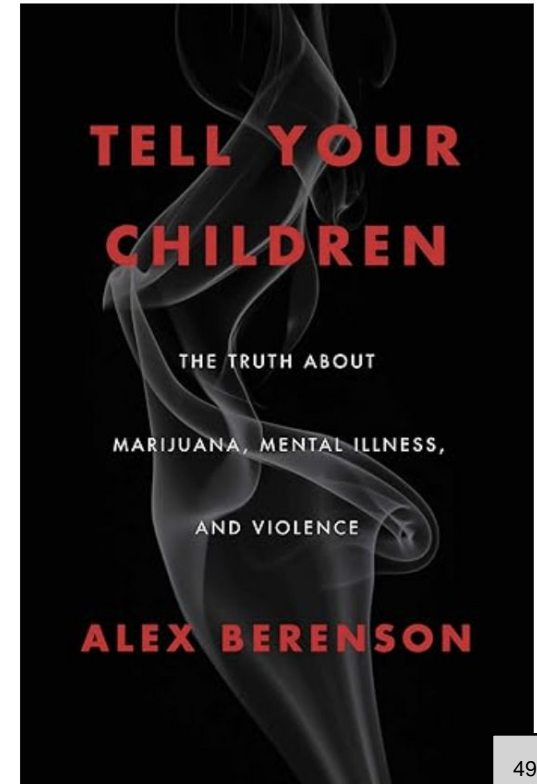


Berenson's Tell Your Children...

In 2019 the argument against legalization was taken significantly further. Alex Berenson of *The New York Times* published *Tell Your Children: The Truth About Marijuana, Mental Illness, and Violence*.

The author claims psychosis brings violence, and cannabis-linked violence is spreading. In the four states that first legalized, murders have risen 25 percent since legalization, even more than the recent national increase.

That same year Anjelica Rice challenged the Department's claims, examining the rates of violent crime in states that had legalized medical and recreational marijuana. Rice found that legalization not failed to increase violent crime rates.



Marijuana thrives in Buchanan!

At this writing, there is one legal dispensary for every 860 residents, one of the highest per capita ratios in the state. We even have a local marijuana ambassador, Freddie “The Stoner” Miller, as seen on Jimmy Kimmel LIVE! I even composed an album about our town and the city is sponsoring a promotional tour throughout Michigan for the band I perform in with my father, The Van Dyke Revue.



I wanted to find out if Buchanan, the *Nicest Place in America*, saw an increase in violent crime rates in the years following its adoption of recreational marijuana.



I started by looking up the demographics of Buchanan. I found that, in many ways, Buchanan is a microcosm of America.

POPULATION: 4,270

83.2% White

38% African American

Hispanic (.445%),

Asian (.445%)

11% Biracial

We suffer a poverty rate of 7.85% and a median household income of \$43,668.

Then I asked our Chief of Police, Tim Ganus and our Mayor Sean Denison, Each said they hadn't seen a rise in violent crime since 2020.



E.O.I.A.



There were a total of 855 adult arrests between January 1, 2016, and December 31, 2022. Of these, there were a total of 105 (12.2%) arrests deemed “violent.” These offenses included non-aggravated assault, aggravated felonious assault, assault, parental kidnapping, and robbery

In 2016, there were 29 arrests, one for parental kidnapping, one for sexual assault, 21 non-aggravated (misdemeanor level) assaults, and six aggravated (felonious) assaults.

In 2017, there were 17 arrests, one for robbery, 12 for non-aggravated (misdemeanor level) assaults, and four for aggravated felonious assault.

In 2018, there were 23 arrests, one for robbery, 17 for non-aggravated assault, and five for aggravated felonious assault.

In 2019, there were 21 arrests, two for sexual assault, 17 for non-aggravated assault, and two for aggravated felonious assault.

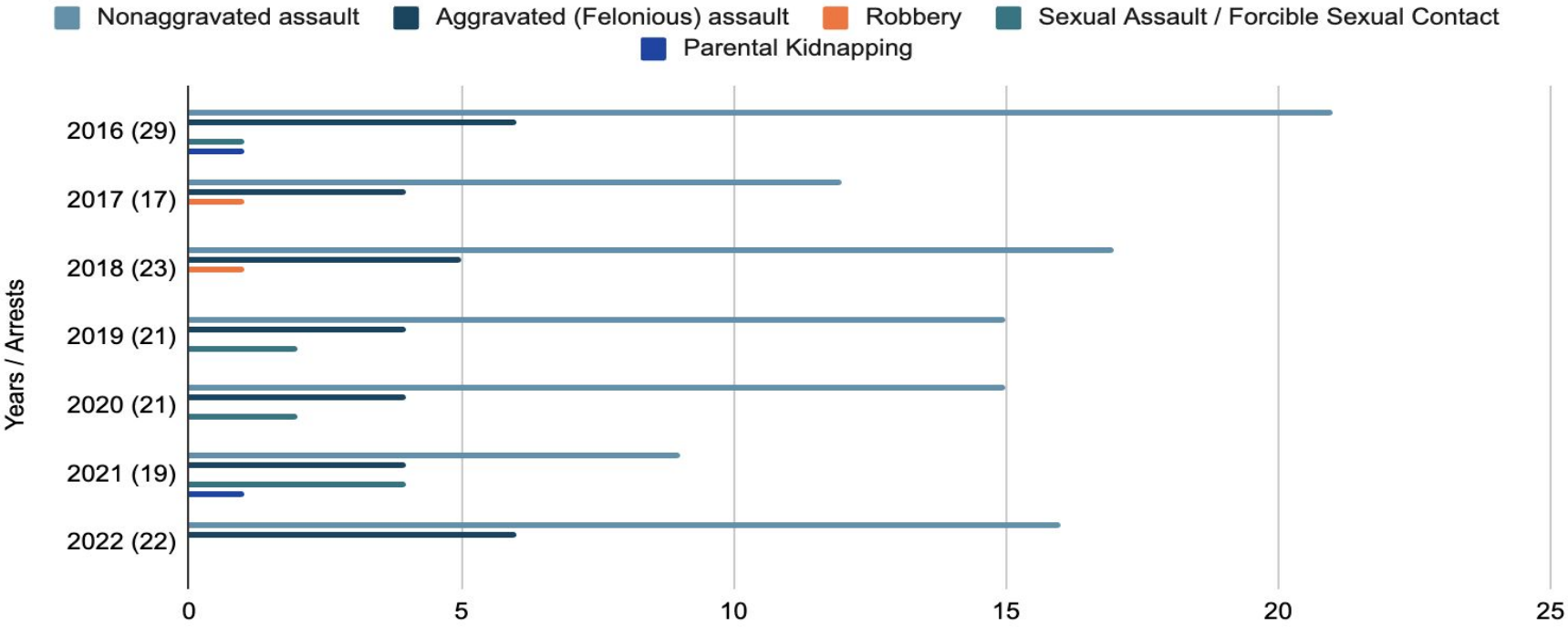
In 2020, the first full year of implementation, there were 21 arrests, two for sexual assault, 15 for non-aggravated assault, and four for aggravated felonious assault.*

In 2021, the second year of implementation, there were 19 arrests, one for parental kidnapping, three for sexual assault, one for forcible sexual contact, nine for non-aggravated assault, and four for aggravated felonious assault.

In 2022, the third year of the implementation, there were 22 arrests, 16 for non-aggravated assault and six for aggravated felonious assault.

Year	Nonaggravated assault	Aggravated (Felonious) assault	Robbery	Sexual Assault / Forcible Sexual Contact	Parental Kidnapping
2016 (29)	21	6		1	1
2017 (17)	12	4	1		
2018 (23)	17	5	1		
2019 (21)	15	4		2	
2020 (21)	15	4		2	
2021 (19)	9	4		4	1
2022 (22)	16	6			

Violent Crime Arrests in Buchanan, MI (2016-2022)



***2020's data may well be anomalous, as this was also the year of mandatory quarantines throughout the state due to COVID concerns.**

Did an increase in violent crime rates in the years following our adoption of recreational marijuana occur?

Thankfully, no.

In *The Nicest Place in America*, fears of increased violent crime due to legalization are unwarranted.

We can keep our title.



Resolution 2024.02/05

CITY OF BUCHANAN

COUNTY OF BERRIEN, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION FOR Mobile Food Vending Fee Schedule

At a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Buchanan, County of Berrien, State of Michigan (the "City") held Monday February 12, 2024.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner _____ and seconded by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS the city commission has approved ordinance 2022.02/429, Mobile Food Vending Ordinance; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to establish fees for the mobile food vending fee schedule; and

WHEREAS the schedule of fees for the mobile food vending may be altered from time to time by resolution of the City Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the amount of the fee schedule shall be as follows:

Daily Use Fee: \$5.00

Yearly Use Fee: \$30.00

Munchie Mondays Daily: \$10.00

Munchie Mondays Series: \$60.00

Brick and Mortar: Brick and Mortar Businesses/Organizations located in Buchanan will have fees waived.

All other rules apply. Application must be received to have space reserved.

ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND PASSED BY THE City of Buchanan on this the 12th day of February 2024.

CITY CLERK, KALLA LANGSTON

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is true and complete copy of a RESOLUTION adopted by the City Commission of the City of Buchanan, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on ____ day of _____, 2024 and that said meeting was conducted.

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MOBILE FOOD VENDING APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____ Business/Organization: _____
 Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Description: _____
 Driver's License Number: _____ Vehicle License Number: _____ Plate _____

USE INFORMATION

Date(s) of Use: _____
 Location of Use*: _____
 (If During Event) Event Manager Approval: _____
 Products to Sell: _____

FEES AND CHARGES

2024 Dates excluded from application include: June 15, August 10, and August 31.

- One Day Use _____ \$5*
*Multiplied by Number of Dates Requested.
- One Year Use _____ \$30
- Munchie Mondays _____ \$10/Day or \$60/Series*
*Food Trucks interested in participating in Munchie Mondays must be scheduled and approved in advance of the event.
- Brick and Mortar _____ \$0

Brick and Mortar Businesses/Organizations located in Buchanan will have fees waived.
 All other rules apply. Application must be received to have space reserved.

Total Fee**: _____ Date Paid: _____

Payment due at time of permit pick-up.

Make payments out to City of Buchanan.

Internal Use Only:
Deposit Refund Requested:

Initial: _____
Date of Refund Mailed:

Authorized By

****NOTE: Financial compensation may be sought under extreme circumstances due to loss and/or damages.**



MOBILE FOOD VENDING APPLICATION

RULES AND REGULATIONS*

1. All food vendors must secure & prominently display permit from the City of Buchanan before selling.
2. Mobile Food Vendors are required to contact Berrien County Health Department at (269) 684-2800 for Temporary Food License and to list the City of Buchanan on their insurance.
3. Provide appropriate waste receptacles and removal of all waste, litter, and debris daily.
4. Follow Nuisance rules including loud/distracting sounds, décor, and lighting.
5. All operations must be contained within the mobile unit/approved space including preparation and displaying of food.
6. No additional furniture, fixtures, or equipment are permitted to be used outside of the mobile unit unless otherwise approved.
7. No vendor shall utilize electricity, power, or water without prior approval from the appropriate power customer.
8. Applicant shall not damage or remove property of any sort from the premises.
9. All vendors are subject to walk-through and inspection by Police Department personnel at any time.
10. Applicant agrees to ensure that its guests, staff, and representatives during set-up, use, and tear down and all times in between follow and comply with all laws and regulations, including local, County, State, and Federal relating to any and all health-related mandates. This shall include but is not limited to following health and safety measures, City codes, and ordinances.

*Please refer to the Mobile Food Ordinance available at www.cityofbuchanan.com for full details.

AGREEMENT

I have read the above rules and regulations and will fully comply with them, and the items listed. I understand that I and other members of the business/organization applying for mobile food vending must comply with the provisions of these rules. I further understand that I am responsible for reimbursing the city of Buchanan for its reasonable clean-up and repair costs resulting from any littering or damage to the facilities resulting from the use of the space that has been reserved.

Signature of Vendor: _____ Date _____

THIS FORM IS VALID ONLY AFTER THE VENDING FEES HAVE BEEN PAID

Application for:

Approved By: _____

Date _____

Email form to clerk@cityofbuchanan.com

VICTORY PARK PICNIC TABLE GUIDE

OUTDOOR SCHOOL FURNITURE

All Tables are ADA-Accessible
10 Week Lead Time
5 Year Warranty

\$8,067



TREETOP PRODUCTS

10-12 Week Lead Time
Burgundy Frame
ADA Design Available
15-Year Guarantee

\$12,107



Color Selection



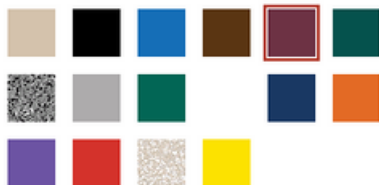
THE PARK CATALOG

Comes in Burgundy and Dark Red
1 Week Lead Time
ADA Design Available
1 and 5 Year Warranty

\$8,191



Color Options



All options presented are 8ft long with powder-coated steel frame with thermoplastic coated tabletop and seats.

Prices are for 8 tables.



Voting Information - Options for Voting- February Presidential Primary Election -2024

Absentee Voting

Permanent Absentee Voter Ballot List

In November 2022, the voters of Michigan passed Proposal 2022-02. This proposal establishes new guidelines for obtaining an absentee ballot. The Michigan Constitution now recognizes that residents, once registered, may submit a one-time **SINGLE SIGNED ABSENT VOTER BALLOT APPLICATION COVERING ALL FUTURE ELECTIONS.**

If you sign up, you will receive an Absentee Ballot before every future election until you rescind the request or one of the following takes place.

- The voter submits a signed request to rescind.
- The voter is no longer qualified to vote.
- The Secretary of State or the election official responsible for issuing the voter an absent voter ballot receives reliable information that the voter has moved to another state or has moved within this state without updating their voter registration address.
- The voter does not vote for six (6) consecutive years.

Application based absentee voter ballot.

The non-permanent absentee voter will need to apply for a ballot for every election that they intend to vote for. This can be accomplished a number of ways:

- MVIC -<https://mVIC.sos.state.mi.us/RegisterVoter/Index>
- In person at the Clerk's office
- By phone, the clerk can then email or mail the application to your preference.
- Email or mail a generic form found on the secretary of states website or the city's website.

Once the application is received and verified the clerk's office will then mail your absentee ballot or if you come in person with ID the clerk can give you your ballot after verifying the application.

Options to Return your absentee ballot.

- Mail your completed Ballot back to the Clerk's office. Give at least 14-10 Days if mailing before election day. We want to make sure the post office has plenty of time.
- Drop off at Clerks office either by walking it in or putting it the secure Dropbox in the City Hall parking lot.
- *NEW* Absentee Voter Ballots can now be tabulated at their Precinct on election day or at their early voting site. You will be directed to fill out an application to vote and they will need to verify the ballot number if you decide to do this option.

Early Voting

In November 2022, the voters of Michigan passed Proposal 2022-02, all voters have the right to vote in-person at an early voting site prior to election day. This includes AV ballots they received in the mail. Early Voting will be in-person precinct style of voting. Results will not be generated until 8 p.m. on election day night.

South County Site

- Location: – Berrien County South County Building, Door 13 1205 N. Front Street, Niles, Michigan 49120.
- Dates and Times: Dates and Times:
 - Saturday, February 17, 2024 - Tuesday, February 20, 2024, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
 - Wednesday, February 21, 2024, 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
 - Thursday, February 22, 2024 - Sunday, February 25, 2024, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM.
- Contact: County Clerk, Elections Administrator, Elections Coordinator, Lead South County Site Supervisor, Clerk Michelle Hannon.
 - Each day there will also be a daily site supervisor present to assist with any election issues.
- Participating municipalities:

CITIES: Bridgman City, Buchanan City, New Buffalo City

TOWNSHIPS: Baroda Township, Berrien Township, Bertrand Ch. Township, Buchanan Ch. Township, Chikaming Township, Galien Township, Lake Ch. Township, New Buffalo Township, Niles Ch. Township, Oronoko Ch. Township, Three Oaks Township, Weesaw Township

Election Day Voting

Tuesday February 27th, 2024- Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Pct 1- City Hall, 302 N Redbud Trail

Pct 2- Redbud City Center, 131 S Oak St.



FAQs: Michigan's February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary

Do I have to be a registered Republican or Democrat to participate in Michigan's Presidential Primary?

No. Michigan's Presidential Primary has been designated as a closed primary. There is no political party registration requirement in Michigan election law. Any Michigan registered voter can participate in the primary. By law, you must make your ballot selection in writing by completing the Application to Vote on Election Day; or on the Absent Voter Ballot Application/Ballot Selection Form if voting absentee.

Why do I have to select a party ballot?

Michigan election law (MCL 168.615c) guides the conduct of the Presidential Primary. The law requires that voters indicate in writing which political party ballot they wish to vote. This requirement only applies to presidential primary elections, and voters will not be required to select a political party ballot type at other types of elections.

What is the difference between an Open Primary and a Closed Primary?

Voters in an open primary are given a ballot with a column listing each qualified party's candidates. Voters then decide which party primary they wish to participate in by voting only in the column of their party choice while in the privacy of the voting station. Voting for candidates in more than a single party's column will void the entire partisan ballot. Voters in closed primaries must state the party primary they wish to participate in before being issued a ballot. The ballot given to voters only has candidates of the party that corresponds to the voter's choice.

Will Michigan's closed Presidential Primary procedures affect the August State Primary in any way?

No. The August Primary is an open primary. Voters will **not** be asked to select a party before voting in the August Primary. Voters will be issued ballots containing all political parties and their candidates, and will select one of the parties in the privacy of the voting station.



When I select a party ballot for the Presidential Primary, does that mean I have to vote in the same party primary in August?

No. The written selection made by a voter at the Presidential Primary has no bearing on how a person votes in the State Primary election.

Will my ballot selection be made public?

Yes. By law a public list must be made available that includes the Presidential Primary ballot type chosen by each voter in the Presidential Primary. This list must be made available within 71 days after the Presidential Primary election. This ballot selection information is subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. The public list of voters' Presidential Primary ballot selections must be destroyed after the 22-month retention period expires.

To be clear, **only the political party ballot selection will be made public**; the candidate you vote for will not be made public. Closed primaries also have secret ballots so that the candidate you vote for is never disclosed.

Who is on the ballot?

Michigan election law includes detailed requirements related to which candidates are eligible and how names would be placed on Michigan's Presidential Primary ballot. By law, both Republican and Democratic Party candidates are listed, but on separate ballots. Voters will also have the option of voting "uncommitted" on either the Republican or Democratic ballot.

The law required the Secretary of State to issue a list of individuals "generally advocated by the national news media to be potential presidential candidates." In addition, Michigan's Republican and Democratic parties had the ability to add candidates and others not on those lists had the opportunity to file petitions to be placed on the ballot.

Candidates had until December 8, 2023 to formally withdraw their names from Michigan's ballot. Although some of the candidates have since suspended their campaigns nationally, state law required that the candidate listing be finalized in December 2023. Visit the Michigan Voter Information Center online at Michigan.gov/Vote for a sample ballot, which lists all candidates on the ballot.



I already voted and returned my absentee ballot; the candidate I voted for has since suspended their campaign. Can I change my vote?

You may request to spoil your ballot and receive a new one by February 16, 2024. Contact (or visit) your local clerk immediately if you are interested in doing so. Visit Michigan.gov/Vote to find contact and location information for your local clerk.

What does an “uncommitted” vote mean?

Each party ballot has a vote position for “uncommitted.” When a voter selects “uncommitted”, this indicates the voter is exercising a vote for that political party but is not committed to any of the candidates listed on the ballot. If enough voters cast “uncommitted” votes, the party may send delegates to the national nominating convention who are not committed to a specific candidate.

Will there be other races on the Presidential Primary ballot?

A number of local jurisdictions are holding special elections in conjunction with the Presidential Primary. Voters who do not wish to cast a vote in the Presidential Primary but want to vote in the local special election have the option of selecting a ballot containing only the local contests. To see if your community will have other races on the ballot, visit Michigan.gov/Vote.

When does early voting begin?

Each jurisdiction is required to hold at least nine days of early voting beginning on February 17, 2024 and ending February 25, 2024. Jurisdictions may choose to do more than the nine days required by the state Constitution. To find your early voting locations, dates, and times, visit Michigan.gov/Vote.

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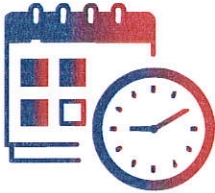
Early Voting

Beginning in 2024, every community in Michigan will offer 9+ days of early, in-person voting for statewide and federal elections!



What is early voting?

Early voting allows voters to cast a ballot in person before an election, in an experience similar to voting at a polling place on Election Day. At early voting sites, voters are issued a ballot to complete, and can then insert them directly into a tabulator.



When can I vote early?

The early voting period takes place for a minimum of nine consecutive days, ending on the Sunday before an election. Communities may decide to provide additional days of early voting, up to 29 days total. Early voting will be available for all statewide and federal elections beginning in 2024. Communities may also choose to provide early voting for local elections.



Where can I vote early?

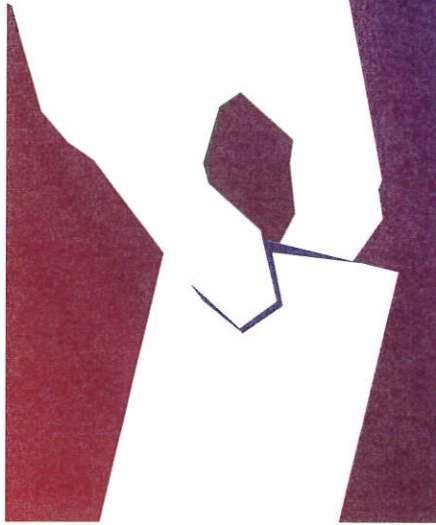
Early voting sites are like polling places open to voters during the early voting period. Voters in every city and township in Michigan will have access to an early voting site to cast their ballot early and in person. Early voting site locations and information will be available prior to Election Day at Michigan.gov/Vote.



Visit Michigan.gov/EarlyVoting to learn more or use the QR code

For personalized voter info visit:

Michigan.gov/VOTE



VOTING in 2024



3 statewide elections

- ✓ Feb. 27 - Presidential Primary
- ✓ Aug. 6 - Primary Election
- ✓ Nov. 5 - General Election



Vote your way

- ✓ By absentee ballot
- ✓ In person at an early voting site
- ✓ In person on Election Day



Get registered to vote

- ✓ Online, by mail or with your clerk
- ✓ Up to 8 p.m. on Election Day



Reject misinformation

- ✓ Bad actors will try to confuse voters
- ✓ Rely on trusted sources like clerks
- ✓ Only share info based on facts and law
- ✓ Our elections are secure, accurate and fair

**Register, find your
voter information
and more at**

Michigan.gov/**VOTE**





Michigan Voter Information Center

Personalized Michigan election information

Visit Michigan.gov/VOTE to:

- ✓ Register to vote
- ✓ Confirm voter registration status
- ✓ Apply for an absentee ballot
- ✓ Find your clerk
- ✓ View a sample ballot
- ✓ Find your early voting site or Election Day polling place
- ✓ Find a ballot drop box in your election jurisdiction
- ✓ Track your absentee ballot

For personalized voter info, scan the QR code:



**Presidential Primary Election
Dates, Times, & Location for**

Early Voting

DATES & TIMES

- February 17th-8:30 AM-4:30 PM
- February 18th-8:30 AM-4:30 PM
- February 19th-8:30 AM-4:30 PM
- February 20th-8:30 AM-4:30 PM
- February 21st-11:00 AM-7:00 PM
- February 22nd-8:30 AM-4:30 PM
- February 23rd-8:30 AM-4:30 PM
- February 24th-8:30 AM-4:30 PM
- February 25th-8:30 AM-4:30 PM

LOCATION

- **Berrien County South County Building-
Door 13
1205 N. Front St.
Niles, MI 49120**

*****Election Day is February 27th, 2024.
Polls are open from 7 AM- 8 PM
PCT 1- City Hall 302 N Redbud Trail
PCT 2- City Center 131 S. Oak St



I the undersigned have reasonable suspicion to believe that Mayor Sean Denison has violated Article V. Sec. 2-133 (c) of the Buchanan City Charter of 1948. He violated our City Charter when he suspended [Benjamin D. Eldridge](#), without a Notice of Hearing and a full vote of the City Commission. Our constitutional recourse for those who elected him as a City Commissioner is to recall him as a City Commissioner. That process is in motion.

1) The City Commission must call on Sean Denison to resign for violation of Buchanan's Charter, the first mayor in 75 years to usurp the powers of and remove a City Manager. The current City Commission has a responsibility to the City Charter they were elected to serve.

2) Mayor Sean Denison also violated MCL 15.263(1), (2) and (3), that requires decisions be made at a public meeting. Failure to give notice in accordance with section 5 has interfered with substantial compliance and impaired the rights of the public under the Open Meeting Act. Complaint #23-27566 has been filed with the Berrien County Sheriff's Department under Michigan Law (the Open Meeting Act).

3) Mayor Denison also violated Michigan's Bullard-Plawecki Employee Right to Know Act 397 of 1978 by refusing Mr. Eldridge access to the grievances against him.

Mayor Denison has violated the Charter of the City of Buchanan. This Charter clearly states that the City Manager runs the City. One City Commissioner, even if the ceremonial mayor, cannot suspend or fire a city manager. Only a majority of the City Commissioners in a meeting properly Noticed under the Open Meeting Act can remove a City Manager the majority of the City Commission hired. A single City Commissioner does not have power to "suspend" the City Manager; whatever that City Commissioner intends that single person action to mean is irrelevant.

The following is based a new contribution to the Buchanan Archives by former Clark Equipment Chief Counsel Don Ryman.

Prior to Bob Strayer in 1948, Buchanan's mayors ran the day to day operations, including hiring and firing of employees and money expenditures of the City. However, a City Manager should do the day to day running of the City, and Bob was busy day to day as a full-time dentist. Legendary City Attorney B. R. Desenberg and Bob Strayer and others introduced the present City of Buchanan Charter, approved by the voters, which provides, following the Dayton model, that the City Manager will do these things.

Honoring the 1948 charter, succeeding Mayors accepted the mayor position as a ceremonial adjunct to their election by the other City Commissioners as their Chairman. Ken Witt, for example, recognized the City Manager as the CEO of the City as George Spatta was CEO of his employer Clark Equipment Company.

Every Buchanan Mayor accepted the ceremonial character of the title, and functioned as a City Commissioner who ran the commission meetings and took a strictly ceremonial role.

Until Sean Denison.

Among other mayors, Ken Witt, Dick Gault, Miriam Hassan, Ray Berry, and Deborah Seager, who was a Berrien County lawyer, all understood the position of the City Manager under the Buchanan City charter.

Section 4.2. - The City Commission.

The electors of the City shall elect a City Commission of five members, one of whom shall serve as Mayor, which Commission shall constitute the legislative and governing body of the City and which shall have power and authority, except as in this Charter otherwise provided, to exercise all powers conferred upon or possessed by the City, and shall have the power and authority to adopt such laws, ordinances and resolutions as it shall deem proper in the exercise thereof.

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Section 4.6. - Duties of Mayor.

(a)
Insofar as required by law, and for all ceremonial purposes, the Mayor shall be recognized as the head of the City. He shall have an equal voice and vote in the proceedings of the Commission, but shall have no veto power. He shall be the presiding officer of the Commission.

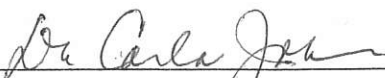
Section 4.9. - Functions and Duties of City Manager.

The functions and duties of the City Manager shall be:

- (a)
To see that all laws and ordinances are enforced;
- (b)
To appoint with the consent of the Commission the heads of all City departments except the City Attorney and City Treasurer and to remove such department heads without the consent of the Commission;
- (c)
To manage and supervise all departments, public improvements, works and undertakings of the City.

The City Charter is NOT a state law. It is the Constitution of the City of Buchanan. As with the U.S. Constitution and the State constitutions, it expresses the will of the people and details what the governmental system will be and how the powers of this government can and cannot be exercised. As with all systems in the United States, it is to be a government of, for, and by the people.

This complaint and request for a hearing has been signed by



Date 1-8-2024

Carla Jackson Johnson, Ph.D.
729 North Detroit Street
A citizen and qualified voter of the City of Buchanan, Michigan

BUCHANAN CITY
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

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RESOLUTION 2024.02/06
RESOLUTION OF THE BUCHANAN CITY COMMISSION TO SELL THE CITY OWNED
PROPERTY AT 401 RIVER STREET IN BUCHANAN

At a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Buchanan, County of Berrien, State of Michigan (the "City") held Monday February 12, 2024.

WHEREAS, the City of Buchanan City Commission has identified the city owned 9.49-acre property at 401 River Street, parcel number 11-58-0025-0019-02-5, as a strategic parcel available for redevelopment,

WHEREAS, The City's objective is to sell the property for the purposes of redevelopment of the property in order to build our tax base and retain and create good jobs.

WHEREAS, the city has been contacted by a potential buyer whose proposal seeks to achieve these objectives.

WHEREAS, the city has had a public hearing on the sale of the property as required by our City Charter,

WHEREAS, the city is in discussions with the potential buyer and wishes to continue these discussions regarding the sale of the property,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Buchanan City Commission hereby authorizes the sale of 401 River Street and identifies City Manager Timothy J Lynch and the City Clerk as the individuals authorized to execute all documents related to the sale on behalf of the municipality.

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND PASSED BY THE City of Buchanan on this the 12th day of February 2024.

CITY CLERK, KALLA LANGSTON

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