

CITY OF NILES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

January 22, 2024

**The meeting will be held in person at 1345 E. Main Street,
Niles, Michigan and streamed
via Zoom
6:00pm**

Any interested person or group may address the City Council on any agenda item when recognized by the presiding officer or upon request of any Council Member. Also, any interested person or group may address the City Council on any matter of City concern not on the Agenda during the agenda item designated Public Comment. The comment of any member of the public or any special interest group may be limited in time.

For individuals who may wish to attend the City Council meeting it will be held at 1345 E. Main Street in the City of Niles, Michigan. You may also view the meeting from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone, Android device, or by telephone. Public comment will only be accepted in person.

ZOOM WEBINAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ACCESS

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

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MEETING PARTICIPATION

At any regular or duly called special meeting of the Niles City Council, other than those meetings not subject to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, a person desiring to speak on any item(s) on the agenda may do so subject to the following rules:

- Prior to addressing the Council, the person must provide, for the record, his/her name, permanent address.

- The person must be recognized by the Mayor or other presiding officer at the point on the agenda entitled “Citizen Participation.”
- The person will be allowed three (3) minutes to present remarks, unless the time restriction is waived by the chair.
- A person wishing to address an agenda item may reserve time to address that item immediately prior to the time that the item is discussed by the Council.
- A person may be expelled from the meeting for a breach of the peace committed at the meeting, and if during his/her presentation to the Council becomes loud or unruly, the chair may rule the person out of order and forfeit the person’s opportunity to speak further.

Resolution 92-11/1003 November 23, 1992

If you would like to contact the City Council about any matter, on the agenda or otherwise, please do so via the email addresses below by 4:00 pm prior to the meeting:

- Mayor Nick Shelton: mayor@nilesmi.org
- Mayor Pro Tem & 1st Ward Councilmember Gretchen Bertschy: gbertschy@nilesmi.net
- 1st Ward Councilmember Georgia Boggs: gboggs@nilesmi.net
- 2nd Ward Councilmember Amanda Dunnem: adunnem@nilesmi.net
- 2nd Ward Councilmember Tim Rogers: trogers@nilesmi.net
- 3rd Ward Councilmember William Weimer: wweimer@nilesmi.net
- 3rd Ward Councilmember Charlie McAfee: cmcafee@nilesmi.net
- 4th Ward Councilmember John DiCostanzo: jdicostanzo@nilesmi.net
- 4th Ward Councilmember Michael Thompson: mthompson@nilesmi.net
- City Administrator Richard Huff: cityadministrator@nilesmi.org
- City Clerk Tina Bergman: cityclerk@nilesmi.org

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6:00 P.M.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL: (If attending remotely announce your location; i.e., state and city.)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

PUBLIC HEARING:

To receive public comment on the \$40.00 per parcel/unit 2024 SMCAS Special Assessment.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: (PUBLIC COMMENTS)

PRESENTATIONS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Consideration of approving the minutes of January 8, 2024.
2. Consideration of approving the list of bills dated January 17, 2024.
3. Consideration of approving Niles Community Garden's request for a maximum of \$1,000,00/year municipal water allotment for 2024 and 2025.
4. Consideration of approving \$2,500 for support of Niles Music and More's promotion of free community cultural activities.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

5. Consideration of affirming the 2024 SMCAS Special Assessment of \$40.00 per parcel/unit.
6. Consideration of approving the purchase of a 500kVA transformer from T&R Electric of Colman, South Dakota in the amount of \$28,816.00 and approve the Utilities Manager to sign the quote.
7. Consideration of approving the bid of \$595,821.30 from Michigan Paving and Materials Co. of Paw Paw, Michigan for the 2024 Major and Local Street Pavement Resurfacing Program and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract.
8. Consideration of approving a Lot Purchase Agreement with Green Development Ventures, LLC of Portage, Michigan for 22 vacant lots owned by the City of Niles for \$1,000.00 per lot plus costs not to exceed \$3,500 per lot and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.
9. Consideration of approving an Equipment Loan/Rental Agreement with Asplundh Construction, LLC of Yaphank, New York for the City's use of two (2) line trucks as needed and authorize the Mayor to sign the rental agreement.
10. Consideration of adopting a resolution to approve the updated Niles Dial a Ride Drug and Alcohol Policy.
11. Consideration of adopting a resolution to approve the updated Niles Dial a Ride Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan.
12. Consideration of adopting a resolution to approve the updated Niles Dial a Ride Title VI Limited English Proficiency Plan.
13. Consideration of approving the emergency purchase of a pressurized expansion tank in the amount of \$4,275.24 from Hickok Plumbing & Heating, LLC of Buchanan, Michigan for the Wastewater Treatment Plant boiler system.
14. Consideration of approving the purchase of electric distribution hardware from Irby of Mount Pleasant, Michigan for \$4,306.50 and mechanical services from Herman & Goetz, Inc of Mishawaka, Indiana for \$3,572.00 to repair electric service to Modineer/Pilkington Plant 10 and authorize the Utilities Manager to sign the quotes.

15. Consideration of approving the emergency purchase of a 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe for use by the Police Department for the MiDeal contract price of \$51,983.00 from Berger Chevrolet of Grand Rapids, Michigan and authorize the Public Safety Director to sign the documents.
16. Consideration of approving the contract with Aclara Technologies of St. Louis, Missouri for Advanced Metering Infrastructure, the AclaraONE networking platform, and related services/hardware at a cost of approximately \$1,241,646.36 to the Electric Division and \$1,057,237.72 split evenly between the Water and Wastewater Divisions and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract.

APPOINTMENTS:

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

COUNCILMEMBER'S REPORT:

Councilmember Boggs
Councilmember Bertschy
Councilmember Dunnem
Councilmember Rogers

Councilmember McAfee
Councilmember Weimer
Councilmember DiCostanzo
Councilmember Thompson

MAYOR'S REPORT:

CLOSED SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT