

Council met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Monday, May 11, 2026 at 6:27 P.M. in the Council Chambers with President Griffin presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by President Shorter Griffin. The Invocation was given by Mrs. Jennifer Hager, Councilwoman Ward 1.

The Clerk called the roll: Members present: President Griffin, Mr. Stoll, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hager, Mr. Poorman, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Beck, Ms. Gearhart, and Mr. Harris.

It was moved by Mr. Stoll and seconded by Mrs. Miller to approve the Minutes of the Regular Legislative Meeting held on Monday, April 27, 2026 as presented. All Members present voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Stoll and seconded by Mrs. Miller to approve the Minutes of the Special Legislative Meeting held on Monday, May 4, 2026 as presented. All Members present voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

PETITIONS AND CLAIMS

There were none.

MATTERS REFERRED

Each Council Member, the Mayor, the Safety and Service Directors were given a report prepared by the Council Clerk listing all matters before all committees with their packets.

CITIZENS ADDRESSING COUNCIL

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 62 - 2026

PRESENTED BY MR. STOLL TITLE: CHANGE ORDER PROJECT COST INCREASE
NORTH BAY CONSTRUCTION AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER FOR A
PROJECT COST INCREASE FOR THE SLUDGE PUMP STATION IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WASTE
WATER TREATMENT PLANT (ORDINANCE NO. 16-2025), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

It was moved by Ms. Gearhart, seconded by Mr. Stoll, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members present voted “Aye.” Motion carried. It was moved by Ms. Gearhart, seconded by Mr. Stoll, that the Ordinances and/or Resolutions on the Consent Agenda **BE ADOPTED**. All Members present voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

This ended the Consent Agenda.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 55-2026

PRESENTED BY MR. MOORE TITLE: ENTER INTO AGREEMENT
COUNTY OF SUMMIT DIVISION OF BUILDING STANDARDS AN ORDINANCE
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE
COUNTY OF SUMMIT’S DIVISION OF BUILDING STANDARDS, AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.

This was the Seconded Reading, the First Reading was on Monday, April 27, 2026. And the Third and Final Reading will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 56-2026

PRESENTED BY MS. GEARHART TITLE: AMEND BARBERTON CHARTER
ARTICLE 7 NON-PARTISAN ELECTIONS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
BARBERTON CHARTER ARTICLE 7 TO REMOVE ARTICLE 7 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY
ENTITLED “ELECTIONS” AND REPLACE WITH A NEW ARTICLE 7 ENTITLED “NOMINATIONS
AND ELECTIONS” ALLOWING FOR NON-PARTISAN ELECTIONS, AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.

This was the Seconded Reading, the First Reading was on Monday, April 27, 2026. And the Third and Final Reading will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 59-2026

PRESENTED BY MR. HARRIS TITLE: RESCIND ORDINANCE NO. 03-2018
MEDICAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATING, PROCESSING, AND RETAIL DISPENSING
AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING ORDINANCE NO. 03-2018 “PROHIBITING MEDICAL
MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, PROCESSORS, AND RETAIL DISPENSARIES”, AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY.

This was the Seconded Reading, the First Reading was on Monday, April 27, 2026. And the Third and Final Reading will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 50-2026

PRESENTED BY MRS. BECK TITLE: AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 164–2023
VARIOUS TYPES OF BUSINESSES MORATORIUM AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
RESOLUTION 164-2023 BY REMOVING RETAIL DISPENSING OF MARIJUANA TO THE LIST OF
USES PROHIBITED BY THE MORATORIUM AND ADDING VAPE STORES AND DATA
CENTERS TO THE LIST OF USES PROHIBITED BY THE MORATORIUM, AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.

It was moved by Mrs. Beck, seconded by Mrs. Miller, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members present voted “Aye.” Motion carried. Mrs. Beck made

clarification on what the Ordinance's intended purpose was. It was moved by Mrs. Beck, seconded by Mrs. Miller, that **ORDINANCE NO. 50 -2026 BE ADOPTED.** All Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

There were none.

MISCELLANEOUS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No remarks were made.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BODY

Ms. Gearhart made thank you remarks to council president Griffin and all those who attended the city prayer walk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Judge made remarks on the following: The award for 7.7 million dollars for the damn project was approved more funding is still being outreached. The application for the demolition of the Cocks building is still in process. The Road Project will be out for bid by the end of the month. Crews have been out for the past month restoring and fixing city pit holes and water main cut outs. The new water line project is also progressing accordingly. Seasonal work has also begun as weather permits. Mayor Judge also made remarks to the 135 things to-do in Barberton list in honor of the countries 250th and the city's 135th anniversary more events are to. Lastly a reminder to support and show appreciation to the police officers in honor of police memorial week.

With nothing further, it was moved by Mr. Stoll and seconded by Mrs. Miller to adjourn. All Members present voted "Aye"; Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned 6:49 P. M.

Shorter Griffin
President of Council

Laura J. Ries-Price
Clerk of Council