

August 19, 2015
Worksession
6:30 p.m.

Present: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

Absent: None

Also Present: Bill Marlor, Rik Koski, Theresa and Bill Obst, John and Maureen Condon, Susan Boxer, Tom Gould, Rick Allen, Steve Bates, Susan Hooker, Kurt Hauglie, Mary Lepisto, Julie Rimpela, Mitch Lake, Carol Carli Jeanette Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. Lundin.

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Recycling sub-committee along with the City Manager recommended increasing the RTS charge from a monthly charge of \$5 to \$6. Also, add a drop off station at the City garage.
 2. Three Councilors will be attending the MML meeting in Traverse City, would the Council like to reschedule the next regular meeting to a different date.
 3. Add reschedule next meeting to the agenda for action.
 4. UP Health will have a presence in Calumet at a new clinic?
 5. 117-119 Quincy Street MEDC grant update.
 - windows and siding in September; MEDC will do an onsite visit 9-1-15; last grant draw
 - 4 apartments completed sometime next year; new business has opened KC Bonkers.
 6. Cell Tower at 635 Emma updates.
 - foundation constructed last week; had to do some blasting; should be erected sometime next week. Will be 20' higher than the trees that are there.
 7. Next week we will be reviewing the Quincy Street electric issues.
 - power underground, UPPCO will do that.
 - boxes have to be brought up to code at owner expense.
 8. CC Trails By-Way would like to place a sign on the Front Street wall promoting the By-Way. Something like Welcome to Hancock the National Scenic By-Way.
 9. Chief Butler is at a meeting at FU tonight.
 10. Dedication of the Larn Grove Rink turned out very nice.
 11. We are considering naming the softball in honor of Gordon Schaaf and will be up for discussion at the next Recreation meeting.
 12. FU has a 14% increase in student enrollment due to the football players.
 13. MTU has had strong growth this year.
 14. Risto Hardware has purchased the Frank Taucher property.
 15. Trailer #29 (BVTP) still is being worked on. The State has jurisdiction over the park. The City crew went in and did some containment and removal of debris.
 16. National Park Superintendent Mike Pflaum is transferring to the Bad Land effective August 23rd.
 17. The next election to put the Portage Lake District Library on the ballot in Hancock would be February 2016.
 18. Soccer is back at the Hancock Driving Park after being gone for 5-6 years.
 19. Poverty applications was e-mailed to the Council for your information.'
 20. City Picnic is scheduled for August 21st at Noon.
 21. Ben Jaehnig turned down the deal at Court and is going to Trial on 8-26-15 in the 97th District Court.
 22. Alison Jabusch was at the Planning Commission meeting and would like to see lower Tezcucu Street area landscaped. Cost estimate \$20,000-\$30,000.
 23. FU Library should also be considered for funding.
 24. MSHDA – Grant update.
 - two home purchases
 - four home rehabs
- Three rehabs have been approved and waiting for number four. If not approved we may have to look at other options.
25. Satellite Extension Update
Marquette
 26. Vollwerth's loading dock site plan went to the Planning Commission.
 27. Recycling Update.
 - raise RTS charge from \$5 to \$6 per month.
 - new dumpsters for recycling drop off at the DPW garage.

- for residents and commercial recycling. (commercial is new)
- recycling Plan and review brochure.
- Businesses are only eligible for this service if the City picks up their trash. If they are using Waste Manager then they are not eligible.

28. Councilors McKenzie, Belej and Tuisku will be gone to the MML meeting in Traverse City from September 16th – the 23rd.

Regular Meeting
 August 19, 2015
 7:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Council Chambers on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at 7:30p.m. with Mayor McKenzie presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present:

Councilors: Blau, Belej, Slivon, McKenzie, Hodur, Bauman and Tuisku.

Absent: None

Moved by Councilor Tuisku and seconded by Councilor Hodur to amend the agenda as follows:

New Business: add #9. MML delegate – Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem as alternate, #10. Reschedule September 16th meeting to September 23rd.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

Thank You from the Family of Dan Lorenzetti re: flowers
 Carol and Don Carli re: Hancock's Public Library
 E-Mail from Adam and Jane Zdrojewski re: Hancock Campground
 Hancock You from the HCH Girls Softball Team
 Article on the MTEC SmartZone
 MML Annual Meeting Notice
 Notice from Semco Energy
 Notice from UPPCO
 Notice from Charter

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Hodur to place the correspondence on file as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

guests

Public Comments:

1. Allison Jabusch, 929 Maple Street

-Updated the Council on the Labyrinth Park Project. Two Saturday worksession as schedule on 9/12 and 9/19 from 9am to Noon.

2. Carol Carli, 933 Fir Street

-Suggest to the Council that they consider financial aid for the HCH Public Library. The City has a link from our webpage to the Library and for years the Council did give them a contribution.

3. Hans Lechner, 707 Elm Street

- Why is it OK to cut thru Scott Street and not White?
- Why close White Street and not Scott?
- Why was White Street closed in the first place?

Councilor Belej-because of the traffic load and it keeps people on US41.

- Request a traffic study of Scott Street

4. Lauren Birtz, 736 Pine Street

-Has seen Dave's tow truck going down Scott, 10-15 cars speeding down Scott and not stopping at the stop signs.

Navy Street:

5. Susan Boxer, 326 Navy Street (longtime resident)
 - Need planning and enforcement, do we have a plan?
 - Grass cutting and planting schedule?
 - Clean Up City properties.
 - Guidelines for services.
 - Code enforcement.
 - Sign enforcement.
 - Dock and boats parked each and every day at the waterfront, don't move for weeks.
 - Porvoo Park – problems.
 - Post Hours
 - Unlicensed vehicles all over the City.
 - Not everyone uses City bags but garbage gets picked up.
 - Snow policy, plowing and shoveling snow into streets.
 - Sidewalk and Road on Navy and Tezcuco Street.
6. Jeanette Robertson, 716 N. Lincoln Dr.
 - Cigarette problems, people flicking butts all over the place.
7. Phillip Barry, 306 Navy Street
 - Tree moveable on the hillside between Navy and Water Street problem.
 - City should have hired a tree pruner and not a contractor.
 - 2/3 of the hillside has been deforested.
 - What is done is done and someone must be accountable for this action.
8. Susan Hooker, 318 Navy Street
 - Presented the council with a petition from the Navy Street Residents regarding the tree cutting the hillside.
 - No land policy or policy regarding DNR property.
 - Need a policy regarding the overall objective on Trails in the City.
 - Carlson Contracting did a disservice to the residents.
 - Cleanup the trees and brush that were cut down and from now on make it a part of the contract.
 - Land management needs to follow a bid process.
 - Lack of discuss between the City and DNR.

The Council acknowledged a Petition to the City Council from Navy Street Residents with Six problems and five shortcomings with recommendations signed by 24 residents. On file.

Water Street:

9. Bill Obst, 205 Montezuma Street (lived there for 33 years)
 - Residents on Water Street have always had a view of the Lake.
 - Brush was allowed to grow 10-15 years.
 - Asked the City to open the view from Water Street. See City Ordinance; Zoning Ordinance definition of Waterfront Zoning passed 7-19-95 Section 600A.
10. Teresa Obst, 205 Montezuma Street
 - Contacted the DNR – they gave her approval and she hired Carlson Contracting for finish up the tree trimming.
11. John Condon, 227 Water Street
 - The Council acknowledge a letter of thank you from Water Street Residents for brushing the hillside below Water Street signed by 19 residents. On file.

Navy Street:

12. Tom Gould, 320 Navy Street

Other:

13. Rik Koski, 814 N. Lincoln Drive
 - Update on 805 Scott Street. Contacted the Health Department and Houghton County Building Inspector regarding this property.
14. Lauren Britz, 736 Pine Street
 - has concerns regarding the corner of Pine and Scott Streets.

- 805 Pine Street
- Drug Home

15. Hans Lechner, 701 Elm
-concerned about blighted neighborhood

Moved by Councilor Tuisku and seconded by Councilor Belej to place the e-mail from Rik Koski re: concerns at 805 Pine Street.

Yes: All

None: None

Motion Carried.

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the minutes of the July 15, 2015 worksession and regular meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

reports

Zoning Application for solar light panels located in Sylvan Estates.

Zoning Application for home located on Valley View Drive.

Cemetery minutes from 10-12-10 to July 14, 2015 as corrected.

Recreation minutes of May 12, 2015

DDA minutes of June 1, 2015

Planning Commission minutes of April 27, 2015

Planning Commission minutes of June 22, 2015

US41/M203 Corridor Advisory Team minutes of July 9, 2015

PLWSA minutes of June 16, 2015

PLWSA minutes of July 31, 2105

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur to acknowledge the reports as presented and place them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

admin report

1. 2015 Parade of Nations, Saturday, September 19th at 11 am.
2. FU 2015 Football Schedule
3. FU McAfee filed football locker room site plan.
4. Vollwerth's proposed site plan.
 - \$176,000 MEDC grant
 - new loading dock
 - employee parking
 - 10 new employee's will be added, 4 have been hired already.
5. Receive project updates on City wide project list.
6. Labyrinth Update.
 - scheduled work bees in September
7. 2nd Solar panel in the City. 1894 Sylvan Drive in Sylvan Estates.
8. New house at 876 Valley View Drive.
9. Vollwerth's MEDC grant update.
10. Downtown Welcome Sign.
11. Tori Market – mentioned in Lake Superior Magazine “Best Farmers Market”
12. CMX Essential Air Service Update.
 - SkyWest only one to apply
13. City wide reappraisal project.
 - Erhart Assessing, LLC will be sending out forms.
14. Bike and pedestrian committee comments on MDOT 2016 project.
 - letter on file
15. State Tax audit of minimum assessing requirements update.

16. Update on Laurn Grove Dedication.

old business

None at this time.

new business
july 15 a/p

Moved by Councilor Tuisku and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the accounts payable for July 2015 in the amount of \$191,756.23 and authorizing payment as follows as funds become available.

General	\$85,653.66
Major St.	3,751.50
Local St.	5,939.95
Parking	291.49
Transit	3,871.98
Sewer	959.12
Water	39,230.93
Motor V	12,224.10
DDA	39,833.50
Total	\$191,756.23

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Blau, Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Bauman and Tuisku.

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed in july

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the additional checks typed in the month of July, in the amount of \$489,896.96 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses	\$149,412.30
Transfers	340,486.66
Total	\$489,898.96

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

No: None

Motion Carried.

water/navy street
hillside discussion

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur that the Council consider hiring a landscaping company to design what type of foliage to use on the hillside between Water and Navy Streets. Also send the comments regarding lower Tezcuco Street and the view shed to the Planning Commission to review and come up with a proposal within the next two months to allow for management control for continuous clearing of this property on a yearly basis.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

elementary school
sidewalk improvements

Barkell Elementary Safe Routes to School Project

Bids:

Bill Siler Contracting, Inc.	\$26,050.00
MJO	\$34,538.44

Moved by Councilor Slivon and Seconded by Councilor Blau to award the Barkell Elementary Safe Routes to School Project to the low bidder, Bill Siler Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$26,050.00.

WUUPDR \$15,000 Grant
City \$ 5,000 City share
School \$ 6,050

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Blau, Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Bauman and Tuisku.

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #9-15
bond refinancing

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded Councilor Belej approving and adopting Resolution #9-15 "Resolution Authorizing Issuance Of Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015" and authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute the documents.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

No: None

Motion Carried.

proposed ordinance
water rate increase

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Tuisku approving the introduction of the following proposed ordinance, setting a public hearing for September 23rd at 7:30 and authorizing publication in the Mining Gazette as follows:

NOTICE TO CITY OF HANCOCK RESIDENTS

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE # _____

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 273 AND AMEND ORDINANCE 198 RELATING TO WATER CHARGES .

THE CITY OF HANCOCK ORDAINS:

Part B. METER CHARGE IN ADDITION TO THE SERVICE CHARGE SHALL BE:

Section 1. The water rate shall be \$7.85 per one thousand (1000) gallons of metered water. However, the minimum bill shall be \$7.85 per month.

Section 2. This rate increase will commence with the January, 2016 utility billing.

The foregoing proposed Ordinance was introduced in writing at the regular meeting of the Hancock City Council held on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

A Public Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers prior to the (re-scheduled) regular meeting. Copies of this proposed ordinance are available at the Clerk's Office Monday-Friday 8am to 5pm.

This proposed ordinance will be presented to the Hancock City Council for adoption or rejection at the regular meeting of the Hancock City Council to be held on Wednesday, September 23, 2015, at 7:30 p.m.

Note: This is a \$1 increase from \$6.85 to \$7.85 per 1000 gallons of metered water.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Blau, Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Bauman and Tuisku.

No: None

Motion Carried.

pedestrian committee
recommendation

Moved by Councilor Slivon and seconded by Councilor Hodur to accept the recommendations of the Bike and Pedestrian Committee as follows:

Hancock Street.

1. Support constructing a cross walk ramp on the North side of the bridge sidewalk located on the East side of the Bridge and improving the island area to correspond with the new curb cut.

2. If the bike lane is approved by MDOT for Hancock Street, then the curb bump outs on Hancock Street would only be needed on the North side, therefore, we assumed that we could get up to 4 bump outs on the North side of Hancock Street. Here is our proposed locations:

A. First priority Tezcuco Street and Dakota Street.

B. Second priority Ravine and Montezuma Streets.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

waste management
recycling agreement

Moved by Councilor Tuisku and seconded by Councilor Blau approving a Recycling Services Agreement with Waste Management for a processing fee of \$54.00 per delivered Ton. A fuel surcharge and environmental surcharge will be included on the invoice. The environmental surcharge is fixed and applied on a per load basis. The charge is \$16 per load. The collection of fuel surcharge can be changed weekly based on fuel prices.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

No: None

Motion Carried.

mml delegates

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Bauman to nominate Mayor McKenzie as the MML voting delegate and Mayor Pro-Tem as the alternate for the MML meeting in Traverse City.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

reschedule next meet
to 9-23-15

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Bauman to reschedule the September 16, 2015 regular meeting to Wednesday, September 23, 2015 as three out of the seven Councilors will be attending the MML meeting in Traverse City.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Bauman that this regular meeting of the Hancock Councilor be adjourned. Time: 9:37 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.