

**CITY OF HANCOCK
CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021
6:00 P.M., 399 QUINCY ST.**

Organizational and Regular Meeting 6:00 pm

Call to order and pledge of allegiance led by City Clerk Linda Kalinec

Roll Call and verification of quorum

Present: Councilors Blau, Lytle, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Warstler, Haeussler

Absent: None

Also Present: Josh Visser, Thomas Fornier, Gary Neese, Nick Wilson, Sadiq Edu-Abdi, Michael Markham, John Zurcher, Amanda Lutey, John Erickson, other members of the public

Review and approval of agenda – Motion by Councilor Haeussler and supported by Councilor Labine to approve the agenda with a change of order to move the first public comment to after the organization meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Organizational Meeting:

City Clerk, Linda Kalinec accepted nominations to elect a Mayor for a one-year term.

Nomination for LaBine by Councilor Blau

Motion by City Clerk, Linda Kalinec to nominate Paul LaBine as Mayor for a one-year term.

Roll Call

Yes: Haeussler, Warstler, Rickard, LaBine, Freeman, Lytle, Blau

No: None

Motion Carried

Motion by LaBine to accept nominations for Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year term

Nomination for Rickard by Councilor Haeussler

Nomination for Warstler by Councilor Lytle

Motion by LaBine to nominate Rickard as the Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year term

Roll Call

Yes: Blau, Lytle, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Warstler, Haeussler

No: None

Motion Carried

Administrative Report:

- Personnel Update welcome to John Erickson as the new DPW director; Laura O'Donnell will be starting tomorrow as the new city office help.
- Business Incentive Program DDA approved the Jumpstart program to assist businesses coming into Hancock as part of the Redevelopment Ready Community process.
- Dog Park fencing has been started, will open this year with limited amenities, limited signage will include posting of rules & regulations.
- Holiday Walk will be November 26th this year, including tree lighting, Santa parade, more events this year on the Quincy Green, a lot of volunteer help to plan and put on the event.
- Holiday Home Decorating Contest again this year, 2nd annual event, same prizes as last year.

New Business:

1. Motion by Councilor Haeussler and supported by Councilor Freeman to approve the current City Council seating arrangement.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

2. Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor Lytle to appoint Adam Griffis to the Planning Commission with a term ending 2/15/2023.

Yes: 6
Abstained: Warstler
No: None
Motion Carried

3. Motion by Councilor Blau and supported by Councilor Freeman approve the Northern Drywall estimate in the amount of \$5,130.00 for repair and painting of west entrance of City Hall.

Roll Call
Yes: Haeussler, Warstler, Rickard, LaBine, Freeman, Blau
Abstain: Lytle
No: None
Motion Carried

4. Motion by Councilor Haeussler and supported by Councilor Freeman to approve OHM proposal for MDNR RIF Grant for Trail Drainage Improvements at Tezcuco and Navy Street.

Roll Call
Yes: Blau, Lytle, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Warstler, Haeussler
No: None
Motion Carried

Public Comment-

John Zurcher - Summit St - congratulations to John Erickson and Kurt Rickard, commented on the many people at the meeting.

Amanda Lutey - 607 Elevation commented on 800 block of Summit St. and drainage on Elevation St.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Haeussler - HB4722 recently passed in the House.

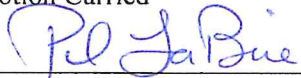
Councilor Lytle - State of Maine recently passed constitutional amendment recognizing food is a "right", working on drafting an ordinance for the City to consider in the future.

Motion by Councilor Blau and supported by Councilor Freeman to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

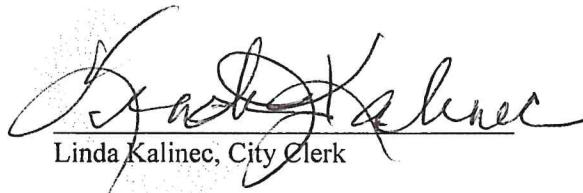
Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried



Paul LaBine, Mayor



Linda Kalinec, City Clerk