

Worksession
April 15, 2009
6:30 p.m.

Present: Councilors Gemignani, McKenzie, Freeman, Laitila, Slivon and Hainault.

Absent: Councilor Belej.

Also present: Manager Anderson, City Clerk Haischer, Police Chief Mike Beaudoin, KNSC member John Diebel and Susan Burack.

Late comers: Wayne Stordahl, Mitch Lake, Michele Bourdieu, Kurt Hauglie, Arlyn Aronson, and Mrs. Aronson.

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Reviewed May 5th school election ballot.
2. 2008 Water Project Update.
 - start up again next week
 - 22 hydrants
 - 11 valves
 - Vivian Street reconstruction
3. UPPCO Tree Cutting Update.
 - very few complaints
4. Street Sweeping
 - two shifts a day
 - next week City will start three shifts
5. Water Projects Update.
 - Frozen main on Franklin Street and Mine Street
 - Frozen main on Franklin Street and Ravine Street
6. LDFA Meeting.
 - scheduled for Noon on 4-16-09
7. Neighborhood Stabilization Grant.
 - Northern Consultants is working on an application which is due next week.
 - Application for \$250,000
 - Rental Rehab application for \$200,000 but MSHDA suggested \$300,000
Would need another public hearing to increase to \$300,000.
8. Finlandia University
 - new central heating plant for the FU Campus (steam heat)
9. 1104 Cottage Row Update.
 - owner will meet with contractors next month to take care of the collapsed garage.
10. Porvoo Hockey Trip Update.
 - only eight old timers have stated that they are interested in going to Finland at this time.
11. HCH - needs to hold Tefra Hearing to dispose of property that has used bond money.
12. Cultural Landscape Report Update.
 - Quincy Unit (Quincy Hill) is almost complete.
13. KNHP received \$75,000 to stabilize smokestacks.
14. Quincy Twp.
 - The Quincy Twp. Fire Hall on US41 could be moved to a new location and combine with the Boston Fire Dept.
15. May 7th is the Franklin Twp. closing on sewer project. Siler Contracting is low bidder for 1.7 million project.
16. SmartZone received a ½ million grant from MEDC. One of two SmartZones in the State to receive one. Must be spent over 2 years. May hire one new person.
17. Houghton Streetscape Project.
 - Contractor is Baaco Construction
18. Gateway Auto (Houghton) is moving to the old Auto Glass bldg. on Ohio Street
19. Council clean-up.
 - Saturday, May 9th
 - 8:00 a.m. breakfast at Jim's Pizza
 - designated clean-up areas 9-11 a.m.
20. HBPA is reviewing sign entrance entries, would like a member from the Council and the DDA to sit on review committee. John Slivon volunteered from the Council.
 - Entries will be on display on the WEB and at both banks.
21. 2010 is the celebration of the 50TH Anniversary for the lift bridge per MDOT.

22. Derek Wilson parcel has been logging on top of Quincy Hill.
23. Derek Bradway purchased SS Peter and Paul Church on Hancock St.
24. Anthony Street apartments may have been sold.
25. J. Clark is looking to erect the canopy over the main entrance doors at City Hall next week.
26. Police Report for February and March 2009 (Police Chief Mike Beaudoin)
February, 1 DD, 2 MDOP, 1 counterfeit \$10 bill, 3 domestics, 1 missing person, 1 death by natural causes, 2 out of state warrants, 2 attempted suicides, 1 larceny, 2 medical, Parking Meter \$580, Police Reports \$85 and \$185.00 travel reimbursement from insurance co.
March, 4 DD, 3 larcenies, 3 MDOP, 3 fraud, 1 out of state warrant, 1 attempted suicide, 3 complaints (phone or web), 1 assault, 1 attempted rape, 1 death, 9 medical assists. Police Reports \$20, Parking Meter \$510.00.
27. KN SC, John Diebel request.
-Cost share for an all-terrain vehicle (UTV) \$4500
-Ordered new snowmobile Club \$5500 City \$4000
\$1000 discount
28. National Park Meeting. (John, Jim, Lisa and Bill)
-Industrial Park 44 A north of the hospital
-SHPO issues (down to five items)
-Park offered time and staff to help us thru the SHPO issues.

Regular Meeting

April 15, 2009

7:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Hancock City Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor William Laitila presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani. Absent: Councilor Belej.

Moved by Councilor Freeman and seconded by Councilor McKenzie to excuse Ted Belej from tonight's meeting as he is taking his firefighter's test.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor Freeman approving the April 15, 2009 Agenda as amended.

New Business: Add #13. J. Clark payment for City Hall Project, #14. Resolution #8-09, #15. Garbage truck financing Resolution #9-09, and #16. Annual City cleanup date.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

Ville de Trois-Riveres re: Great Lakes Annual Conference

Department of Treasury re: Deficit Reduction Plan (approved) FYE 6-30-08

Capitol Currents, April 2009 re: return of the property tax proposal

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Hainault to acknowledge the correspondence as presented and place them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

guests

Public Comment:

1. KNSC - comment under agenda item #4.
- 2.

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor Gemignani approving the March 18, 2009 worksession and regular meeting and the April 8, 2009 special meeting minutes as presented and placing them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

reports

Financials for the month of February, 2009

Expense and Revenue All Funds

Balance Sheet accounts All Funds

Cash Balances All Funds

Due to/from All Funds

Interest Earned All Funds

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Hainault to accept the February, 2009 financials as presented and place them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

FTC minutes of February 8, 2009

Planning Commission minutes of February 23, 2009

PLWSA minutes of February 10, 2009

Hancock Housing Commission minutes of February 18, 2009

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

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

administrative report

1. Annual Police Department Report for 2008.
 - presented by Chief Mike Beaudoin
 - Arrest Codes Report, Uniform Crime Report, File Class Section Report and Ticket Ledger Report.
2. Update on RD application for water grant.
 - scoping project
3. Update on RD application for sewer grant.
 - scoping project
4. Update on Charter Communication bankruptcy.
 - restructuring
5. School site plan Update.
 - Planning Commission has approved site plan as presented.
 - Practice football field with a full track.
6. Transit Facility design committee report.
 - MDOT is currently reviewing building contract.
 - met with Hitch yesterday to review design.
7. Reminder about the joint meeting with the City of Houghton on 4-22-09 at the UPPCO Building at 5:30 p.m.
8. 2008 Water Project Update.
 - 22 hydrants
 - 11 valves
 - Vivian Street reconstruction
 - Will need a temp. distribution system for Vivian Street
9. Update from Lisa and Bill on their trip to Finland.

old business
922 summit asbestos/lead testing

Moved by Councilor Freeman and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving an agreement for the provision of limited professional services with U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc. for them to conduct an asbestos building survey and lead & cadmium paint sampling for the fire damaged dwelling located at 922 Summit Street to determine the presence of asbestos containing building materials and lead & cadmium paint. Provide an asbestos building survey report containing building survey results and lead * cadmium paint sampling results. Estimated cost to be \$1500 to \$2000, but not to exceed \$2000. The amount incurred shall be placed as a lien on the real property tax bill. Any and all abatement contractors fees, not included in this contract shall be paid by the owner. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute this agreement with U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani.

No: None

Motion Carried.

new business
march 2009 a/p

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving the March, 2009 accounts payable in the amount of \$109,014.51 and authorize payment as funds become available as follows:

General	\$25,470.67
Major	216.43
Local	23.22
Transit	2,711.89
Sewer	38,953.74
Water	31,749.46
<u>Motor V</u>	<u>9,889.10</u>
Total	\$109,014.51

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Gemignani, McKenzie, Freeman, Laitila, Slivon and Hainault.

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed in
march

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor Slivon approving the additional checks typed in the month of March, 2009 in the amount of \$790,445.37 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses	\$269,983.08
<u>Transfers</u>	<u>520,462.29</u>
Total	\$790,445.37

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani.

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #06-09

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Freeman approving Resolution 6-09 Proclamation, Municipal Clerks Week, May 3 through May 9, 2009 in the City of Hancock.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

kpsc request for \$4000
donation towards UTV

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Hainault approving the request of the Keweenaw Nordic Ski Club for a \$4000 donation towards the purchase of a Yamaha Rhino (UTV) for use on the Maasto Hiihto Ski Trail to be purchased in this fiscal year in place of the snowmobile. The Manager is directed to put the snowmobile purchase in next years budget.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Gemignani, McKenzie, Freeman, Laitila, Slivon and Hainault.

No: None

Motion Carried.

budget amendments
08-09

Moved by Councilor Freeman and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving the following proposed Transit budget amendments for FYE 6-30-09.

Acct	budget	amended
588-000-542-000	\$85,435	\$58,706
588-000-543-000	37,814	26,370
588-000-544-000	1,000	2,000
588-200-702-000	53,487	20,000
588-200-713-000	42,789	2,826
588-442-702-000	8,290	15,350
588-442-713-000	6,632	1,500

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

2008 water quality report

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving the 2008 City of Hancock Water Quality Consumer Confidence Report as follows and authorizing publication in the Daily Mining Gazette as follows:

**2008 CITY OF HANCOCK
WATER QUALITY
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT**

Regulation Background:

Following new federal regulations, the State of Michigan in 1998 enacted a requirement that public water suppliers must now issue annual Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR) on water systems. Therefore, this report is issued to provide City of Hancock Water Customers with information on drinking water.

Summary of City Water System:

The City purchases its water from the Adams Township Water Authority. All of the City's water comes from three 200 feet deep wells from an aquifer located just South of Painesdale. The water is pumped along a seven mile water main to the City distribution system.

The City uses about 550,000 gallons of water per day. The City has about 1,835 customers, of which 1400 are single-family units. The City has about 30 miles of water distribution mains, about 19 miles of service laterals, and over 260 hydrants in its water system. The City currently charges \$5.75/1000 gallons of metered water, plus a bond debt charge based on meter size.

Adams Township, in cooperation with the City is working on a formal Wellhead Protection Plan. The land area of the aquifer source is forest land.

Chlorine is the only item added to the Water System to maintain a chlorine residual as a precaution for possible entry of harmful bacteria into the distribution system.

Introduction:

Individual tests were conducted on the City's water for 80 Federally and State regulated contaminants. The State allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our

data, though representative, are more than one year old. In addition, our water was tested for several non-regulated items that affected taste, odor, or appearance. The City also takes five bacteria samples a month from the distribution system as part of our regular monitoring program.

City Water Quality Results:

The City water tests were conducted by the State Water Analysis Laboratory. Two regulated contaminants, arsenic and mercury were detected, but both were below maximum contaminant levels.

General Water Educational Information (as required by the EPA):

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can

be obtained by calling the EPA’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or EPA’S Web Site at www.epa.gov/safewater/hfacts.html.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment is include:

- *Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- *Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- *Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.
- *Radioactive contaminants, which are naturally occurring.
- *Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Terms and Abbreviations:

Maximum level: (MCL) the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water.

MCL’s are set as close to the MCLG’s as possible using best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminants Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there are no known or expected risk to health. MCLG’s allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which if exceeded triggers treatment or other requirements.

ppm: parts per million or milligrams per liter.

ppb: parts per billion or milligrams per liter.

The table below lists the drinking water contaminants detected in the City’s drinking water:

Contaminants:

Samples Exceeding	Arsenic:	MCL	MCLG	City Water	MCL	Date	Violation
		10ppb	0ppb	7ppb	0	03-13-08	no

Typical source of contaminants: Erosion of natural deposits.

While your drinking water meets EPA’s standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA’s standard balances the current understanding of arsenic’s possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effect such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

						Samples	
Exceeding	Mercury:	MCL	MCLG	City Water	MCL	Date	
<u>Violation</u>		2ppb	2ppb	.53ppb	0	3-3-2000	no
Typical source of contaminants: Erosion of natural deposits.							

For More Information:

Copies of all test results are available at City Hall. For more information, please contact the City Manager’s Office at (906-482-1121). The City of Hancock is committed to providing the best quality water and water information to our valued customers.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

mdot small urban
program \$90,000

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Gemignani approving the submission of a project application for the Federal Stimulus Small Urban Grant Project for \$90,000 to construct one block of new roadway to connect Campus Drive to Poplar Street including ditching, subbase work and 24' wide paved asphalt surface.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani.

No: None

Motion Carried.

mdot small urban
program \$125,000

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving the submission of a project application for the Federal Stimulus Small Urban Grant Project for \$125,000 to repave a portion of Campus Drive from US 41 in a Northwesterly direction with asphalt surface. Total cost for Project is \$157,000 of which \$32,000 is the local match.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Gemignani, McKenzie, Freeman, Laitila, Slivon and Hainault.

No: None

Motion Carried.

fy 08 mdot small
bus order

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Gemignani approving the submission of the FY 08 MDOT small bus order with Federal and State Grant money not to exceed \$69,658 with Hoekstra Transportation for one Elderado Transit Bus.

Federal 80% \$55,537.44

State 20% \$13,884.36

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani.

No: None

Motion Carried.

cops grant
2 positions

Position 1	Grant	City Cost	Total
Year			

1	\$75,570	\$0	
2	\$75,570	\$0	
3	\$75,570	\$0	
4		<u>\$75,570</u>	
	\$226,710	\$75,570	\$302,280

Position 2 2,000 hours part-time @13.29/hr. + FICA (7.65%)

Year	Grant	City Cost	City Savings
1	\$75,570	\$0	\$28,613
2	\$75,570	\$0	\$28,613
3	\$75,570	\$0	\$28,613
4		<u>\$75,570</u>	
		\$75,570	\$85,840

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor Freeman authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for up to two COPS grant positions under the Federal Stimulus Bill. First three (3) years is 100% grant and the City must hire or retain position for the 4th year. The second position would not be an automatic full-time position after the fourth year.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Gemignani, McKenzie, Freeman, Laitila, Slivon and Hainault.

No: None

Motion Carried.

mshda neighborhood
stabilization program

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Hainault authorizing the submission of an application to MSHDA as part of their Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) in the amount of \$350,000.00 and authorize the City Manager to execute the application.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani.

No: None

Motion Carried.

ccarts request

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Freeman approving the \$1000 payment to the CCC Arts Council. This was a budgeted item.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Gemignani, McKenzie, Freeman, Laitila, Slivon and Hainault.

No: None

Motion Carried.

city hall project
j clark payment

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Hainault authorizing payment to J. Clark Construction in the amount of \$27,194.26 for the City Hall Project.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani.

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #8-09

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Freeman approving Resolution #9-09 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 8-09
Resolution Proclaiming April 24th, 2009
as
LIEUTENANT COLONEL DALLAS L. EUBANKS DAY

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Dallas Eubanks has commanded the Michigan Tech University (MTU) Army ROTC Program for the last three years, and
WHEREAS, LTC Eubanks has worked diligently to promote and grow the Army's Mission at MTU and Finlandia University, and
WHEREAS, LTC Eubanks has directed two ROTC Scholarships to fund local area college students, and
WHEREAS, LTC Eubanks has worked to improve the physical activities of local K-12 schools through Day of Challenge Events, and
WHEREAS, LTC Eubanks has been involved or participated in numerous local events and functions:
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hancock recognizes LTC Eubanks 21 year Army Career, his service to MTU and Finlandia University, and his involvement in the Community by proclaiming April 24th, 2009 as **LIEUTENANT COLONEL DALLAS L. EUBANKS DAY** in the **CITY OF HANCOCK** and offer congratulations on his retirement from the U.S. Army.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #9-09

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving Resolution #9-09 for financing of the new garbage truck as submitted by the Bond Attorney. (copy on file)

Amount (A) \$63,694.00 and (B) \$68,499.00 at an interest rate of 4.00% per annum.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hainault, Slivon, Laitila, Freeman, McKenzie and Gemignani.

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Freeman and seconded by Councilor Gemignani to schedule Council City Cleanup for Saturday, May 9th starting with breakfast at Jim's Pizza at 8:00 a.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Hainault and seconded by Councilor McKenzie that this regular meeting of the Hancock City Council be adjourned. Time: 9:15 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

William Laitila, Mayor

Karen Haischer, CMC City Clerk