

Worksession
November 21, 2012
6:30 p.m.

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Present: Councilors Haeussler, Laitila, Slivon and Givens.
Absent: Councilors McKenzie, Moore and Belej.
Also present: Manager Glenn Anderson and City Clerk Karen Haischer

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Studio Pizza is applying for a liquor license within the next few months. Class C and SDM off premises.
2. Mary Pekkala has volunteered to put the cemetery names on an excel spreadsheet. Has entered about 2000 names and descriptions.
3. Finance and Personnel Committee should meet this coming week to discuss the AFSCME Union, Non-Union Package and Fire Hall refinancing.
4. Governor and Lt. Governor won't be able to attend our Sesquicentennial dinner on April 12-13. Offered the UP Rep.
5. Gartners Bldg. Update.
 - The Johnsons concluded that the amount of money they would have to borrow wouldn't make the project viable at this time.
6. 116 Quincy Street Grant Amendment.
 - Window design was approved for 116 Quincy Street.
 - Still waiting to hear on approval for the amendment.
7. Update on the E. Hancock Stairway Project.
 - Map 21 (MDOT) not funded, don't apply for this grant.
 - Americana is interested in this project, what would be the City match? \$5,000-\$10,000
8. Finlandia University found a donor willing to fund their banner project from the middle school to the Jutila Center. UPPCO only approved about 1/3 of the poles for the banners. Still working on this project.
9. Steph Ollson is renting the Dan Dalquist home. Currently the Ollson family is in Texas for treatment for their daughter Ana.
10. Richard Anderson (SmartZone) has resigned from the Board.
11. Ray Sharpe –Complete Street Ordinance.
 - Will invite him to the 1-16-13 meeting.
12. Deb Mann is working on a petition to have the speed limit on M203 reduced by the Hancock Beach area.
13. Hancock had two housing starts. Houghton County had a total of 53.
14. MEDC UP Rep. is Jennifer Tucker and she resides at 424 Hancock Street.
15. Bridge Crossings Update.
 - Houghton adopted an ordinance.
 - ORV/ATV SB 1020
16. FinnFest 2013 – Rockland Opera will not be performed.
17. MDOT – Scheduled update in 2014 to the Lift Bridge. Cables, gates, electrical, zone painting. Two year project to start in 2015 and end in 2016.

Regular Meeting
November 21, 2012
7:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Hancock City Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Laitila presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present: Haeussler, Laitila, Slivon and Givens.
Absent: Councilors McKenzie, Moore and Belej.

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Givens to excuse Councilors McKenzie, Moore and Belej from tonight's meeting as they are out of town.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Slivon and seconded by Councilor Givens to amend the November 21, 2012 agenda as follows;

New Business:

Add #6. Report on our 150th Celebration.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

e-mail from Paul Masini re: compliments to the Cemetery Crew

CCCAC re: thank you for \$600 donation

MPTA re: renewal commitment to the MPTA

MSHDA re: Campus Drive Extension (no historic properties are affected)

KEDA re: Habaneros

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

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

guests

Public Comment:

- 1.
- 2.

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Slivon and seconded by Councilor Givens approving the minutes of the October 17, 2012 worksession and regular meeting; the November 8, 2012 joint council meeting and the November 14, 2012 annual organizational meeting as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

reports

TFC Treasurer Report for 10-8-2012

Recreation minutes of 9-11-2012

Planning Commission minutes of 9-24-2012

DDA minutes of October 1, 2012

US-41 / M26 Corridor Advisor Team minutes of 9-13-2012

FinnFest 2013 Board of Directors Meeting minutes of 10-10-2012

Hancock Bike & Pedestrian Committee minutes of 11-15-2012

PLWSA minutes of 10-9-2012

Reshape Downtown Hancock Summary of Work Session

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

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

admin report

1. Annual Christmas Walk, Friday 6-8 p.m. (November 23, 2012)
-Thank You from the HBPA Christmas Committee
2. Downtown Hancock Session from Tracie Williams and Samantha Schutz
-Summary of 1st Work Session Questionnaire

- Work Session 2nd meeting with Group Results
- Visual map of reshape Hancock
- Bonnie Holland re: Finlandia University community service project (students completed the design)
- Barry Givens asked if Bonnie would consider being the project champion to coordinate these suggestions and get this project up and running.
- 3. DPW furnace update.
- 4. New Lurn Grove dasher boards update.
- 5. Proposed HB 5725 (MERS) update.
 - Council could opt-out by a simple majority of the Council with review of Treasury.
 - Currently a vote of the people is needed to opt-out.
- 6. Travel Michigan contacts.
- 7. Planning Commission meeting re-scheduled for December 10, 2012.
- 8. FinnFest preparation update.
- 9. Bike and pedestrian survey (November 21st)
- 10. Personal Property Tax proposal update.
 - City will lose about \$45,000 in pp tax revenue
- 11. Maasto Hiihto M-203 snowshoe trailhead update. 12K snowshoe trail.
- 12. Welcome new businesses:
 - Remy Battery, Catherine Hiltunen, Fiber Whim, Talen Research, Xeratec, Knot Just Uniforms, and Habaneros.

old business

None at this time.

new business
 october 12 a/p

Moved by Councilor Slivon and supported by Councilor Givens approving the October 2012 accounts payable in the amount \$258,370.29 and authorizing payment as follows as funds become available.

General	\$96,412.01
Major	3,825.15
Local	5,995.02
Transit	5,580.14
Sewer	77,211.54
Water	36,153.34
Motor V	12,359.89
DDA	11,520.00
TIFA	<u>9,313.20</u>
Total	\$258,370.29

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Haeussler, Laitila, Slivon and Givens.

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Slivon approving the additional checks typed in the month of October, 2012 in the amount of \$1,283,710.02 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses	\$860,122.05
Transfers	<u>423,587.97</u>
Total	\$1,283,710.02

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Laitila and Haeussler.

No: None

Motion Carried.

annual barnelopet

Moved by Councilor Slivon and seconded by Councilor Givens to co-sponsor the 6th Annual Barnelopet – kids cross country ski race on Sunday, February 10, 2013.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

poam union contract

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Slivon to approve a tentative union agreement with the Hancock Police Officers Association (POAM)

-Term: One year contract January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013

-Sick Leave payout: For new hires, keep the 720 hour maximum accumulation but cap the maximum payout upon termination of employment at 360 hours.

Part-Time Officers: Increase hourly rate from \$13.42/hour to \$14.67/hour.

Full-Time Officers: A \$500.00 signing bonus payable in January, 2013

Name: Agree to change contract reference from Wisconsin Professional Police Association to Police Officers Association of Michigan.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Haeussler, Laitila, Slivon and Givens.

No: None

Motion Carried.

council appointments

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Slivon approving the following council appointments:

Finance, personnel and public safety: **GIVENS**, McKenzie, Laitila

Community development & business relations: Belej, Moore, **HAEUSSLER**

Public works and utility services: Haeussler, Laitila, **GIVENS**

PLWSA: Robert Lewis, **WILLIAM LAITILA**

Combined: Keweenaw Advisory Committee and National Historic Park

-Slivon and McKenzie

KEDA Representative: Haeussler, **MCKENZIE**

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

150th celebration

Publication should be printed in eight weeks.

-1st scheduled event is Saturday, January 12th, 2013

Houghton County Arena at 10:00 a.m. in the Dave Wiitanen Room

Laurin Grove Hockey Oral History.

Moved by Councilor Slivon and seconded by Councilor Givens that this regular meeting of the Hancock City Council be adjourned: Time: 8:30 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

William Laitila, Mayor

Karen Haischer, CMC City Clerk