

Worksession
April 17, 2013
6:30 p.m.

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Present: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler.
Also present: Manager Glenn Anderson, City Clerk Karen Haischer, Susan Burack, Joe Neher, Mary Pekkala, Cindy Figures, Chuck Johnson, and media members.

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. UPSET – D/Lt. Timothy L Sholander. Looking for funding to help defray the cost of the County putting one Deputy on the UPSET Team. Keweenaw County has already committed funding, looking for the Cities of Houghton and Hancock to contribute \$2000-\$3000/year.
2. Police Chief Beaudoin's quarterly report (Jan, Feb, March 2013)
255, 200, 222 for a total of 677 reports taken.
Highlights: 3 over doses, 2 US mail, 1 car stolen, 1 bad check, 2 CSI, 2 assaults, 3 larcenies, 1 adult welfare case, 1 MDOP, 2PPO's violations, 2 natural deaths, 3 DD, 3 outstanding warrants, 1 five year old missing child (found), 51 property damage, 10 hit & run, 20 medical assists, assisted other departments 19 times, 20 complaints, Parking Meter Fund \$1965.
3. Campground opening is scheduled May 15th
Cemetery opening depends on the weather. Electric to the building needs to be repaired.
4. MTU Credit Union is closing in Hancock. Hanke Auto is moving back to Ripley and the building in Hancock is for sale. \$175,000.
5. MDOT billing through March is up to \$260,000.
6. Insurance renewal is due May 20th our current carrier is Hannula Ins. and the Tervo Insurance asked if they could be allowed to furnish us a quote for services.
7. MDOT may have money for us to build a second containment shed for salt storage. MDOT would fund 97% of the \$50,000 cost and the City share would be 3%.
8. Manager Anderson will be on vacation the first two weeks in August. Family is going to Finland & Sweden.
9. MSHDA pulled the City's Grant Amendment for 4 units and wants us to submit a new application.
10. Lunch today with MML representatives at the Pilgrim Steakhouse.

Public Hearing
April 17, 2013
7:30 p.m.

1. Citizen input on a proposed ordinance to increase the sewer rate from \$6.35 /1000 gallons to \$7.35/1000 gallons effective with the March billing.

Present: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler.
Also present: Manager Glenn Anderson, City Clerk Karen Haischer, Susan Burack, Joe Neher, Mary Pekkala, Cindy Figures, Chuck Johnson, and media members.

Mayor Laitila called this public hearing to order at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of citizen input on a proposed ordinance to increase the sewer rate \$1.00/1000 gallons.

No Public Comment.

Mayor Laitila called this public hearing to a close at 7:35 p.m.

Regular Meeting
April 17, 2013
7:35 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Hancock City Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 17, 2013 at 7:35 p.m. with Mayor Laitila presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present: Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler.
Absent: None

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Moore to amend the April 17, 2013 Agenda as follows:

New Business: #9. Congratulations to the Keweenaw Storm.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

Letter from the MTU Archives re: Thank you for the donation

Letter from Al and Candi Silvola re: M-203 resurfacing project this summer

Letter from MI Liquor Control Commission re: transfer of ownership and location of Class & SDM licenses

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

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

guests

Public Comment:

2. Susan Burack – Thank You to the Council for the wonderful 150th Celebration Dinner.

Review of the summary of ordinances should be completed this month so the publication can be distributed within the next month.

Councilor Haeussler and Susan Burack will be cleaning up alley's this year, date to be determined.

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving the minutes of the March 20, 2013 worksession and regular meeting as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

reports

Financials:

February and March, 2013 All Funds

-Revenue and expenses

-Due to/from

-Cash Balances

-Interest Revenue

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Belej to acknowledge the financial reports as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

DDA minutes of March 4, 2013

Hancock Housing Commission minutes of July 18, 2012, August 15, 2012, September 19, 2012, October 17, 2012, November 21, 2012, December 19, 2012, and February 27, 2013.

US-41/M-26 Corridor, Advisory Team minutes of March 14, 2013

PLWSA minutes of March 12, 2013

Moved by Councilor Belej 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. Received 2012 annual report from Fire Chief Joe Neher. 40 calls for 2012 down from 72 in 2011. There was 1 chimney fire, 3 brush fires, 2 of which were caused by lightning and the third being of unknown origin. House fire at 1209 Summit Street, child trapped in the elevator at Lakeview Manor, Assisted the Houghton Fire Department at Heritage Manor. Department hosted Hancock Elementary students at the fire hall and at the school for the annual fire prevention week activities. Fundraisers, sponsored mites Hockey team. 1000 man hours was put into training, maintaining apparatus, equipment and fire station.
2. Kevin Manninen gave a presentation update for FinnFest 2013.
3. Cindy Figures updated the council on the August 17th E. Hancock Historic Home Tour Sesquicentennial Event. Money raised will be donated towards the repair of the E. Hancock Stairway. Tour goes from Noon until 4:00 p.m.
4. Mary Pekkala talked about the Lakeside Cemetery inventory project which was completed this past winter.
5. Mary also updated the council on the FinnFest genealogy event scheduled.
6. Hancock Tori 2013 will be opening Saturday June 1st from 9 am to 2 pm. Will be open on Wednesdays and Saturdays until October 5th. During FinnFest will be open every day.
7. DEQ Public Notice for Navy Street Boardwalk Project update.
8. MDOT Ishpeming TSC 2013 Projects update.
 - M203 to Bear Lake Rd
 - repair two gaps on Quincy Street
 - Laurium total rebuild - MJO is the contractor
 - South Range curve -MJO is the contractor2014/2017 Projects.
 - Hancock Quincy Street reconstruct
 - Portage Lake Lift Bridge (rehab) cable replacement
 - Bid 2014 with work to be done in the winter of 2015 and 2016
9. MDOT bridge opening history update.
10. Bike-2-Work Day is scheduled for Thursday, May 16th.
 - set up will be in the McGann's Parking lot
11. MDOT audit for FY 10/11.
 - City owes the State \$1,696.00 (will be deducted from future payments)
12. Phi Kappa Tau will be cleaning the downtown area on Saturday, April 27th.

old business
ordinance #285

Moved by Councilor Slivon and seconded by Councilor Belej to adopt Ordinance #285 to increase the sewer rate charge and authorize publication in the Daily Mining Gazette as follows:

ORDINANCE #285

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 282 AND AMEND SECTION FOUR (4) OF ORDINANCE 123, SEWER USE MINIMUM CHARGE AND RATE AND MANDATORY CONNECTION AS AMENDED.”

THE CITY OF HANCOCK ORDAINS:

Section 1. The sewer use charge for all premises shall be \$7.35 per thousand (1000) gallons of water metered. The readiness to service charge shall be \$5.00 for all premises.

Section 2. This rate increase will commence with the March, 2013 utility billing.

This ordinance was introduced by the City Council of the City of Hancock, Houghton County, Michigan on the 20th day of March, 2013.

This ordinance was adopted/enacted by the City Council of Hancock, Houghton County, Michigan on the 17th day of April, 2013.

This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from the date of adoption according to the Hancock City Charter.

Effective this 15th day of May, 2013

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Haeussler, McKenzie, Moore, Laitila, Belej, Slivon and Givens.

No: None

Motion Carried.

new business
march a/p

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving the March 2013 accounts payable in the amount of \$118,802.06 and authorizing payment as follows as funds become available.

General	\$27,207.05
Major	6,300.00
Transit	4,051.00
Sewer	39,935.72
Water	23,696.91
Motor V.	17,211.38
DDA	400.00
Total	\$118,802.06

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler.

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed

Moved by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the additional checks typed in the month of March, 2013 in the amount of \$719,064.15 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses	\$ 79,204.61
Transfers	\$639,859.54
Total	\$719,064.15

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Haeussler, McKenzie, Moore, Laitila, Belej, Slivon and Givens.

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #7-13

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Givens approving Resolution #7-2013 the application from SNB for the following license Class C and SDM and the following permits, if applied for (Dance Permit) at 325 Quincy Street Hancock be considered for approval and recommend this application considered for approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Yes: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler.

No: None

Motion Carried.

reschedule 6-19 meeting

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to reschedule the June 19th regular meeting to Wednesday, June 26th with the worksession at 6:30 and regular meeting at 7:30p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

spring cleanup

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor McKenzie to set the 2013 spring cleanup dates for May 17th and 18th as follows:

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF HANCOCK RESIDENTS (ONLY)
2013 Leaves & Branches curbside Schedule

MONDAY - May 20th(Monday) & May 28th (Tuesday)

Curbside Leave Pickup

The City will be picking up curbside leaves, grass clippings and small branches on Monday, May 20th and Tuesday May 28th. Leaves and branches should be placed at curbside prior to 7 a.m. The City will only pickup leaves and grass clippings if they are placed in the clear biodegradable bags purchased from the City of Hancock. The city will not pickup leaves along city curbs or streets.

The City sells the bags at City Hall, 10 bags for \$5.00 or 25 bags for \$12.00. Biodegradable bags with leaves or grass can be brought to the City DPW (1601 Tomasi Dr) during regular business hours throughout the summer or fall.

Curbside Small Branches Pickup

Small branches less than 4" in diameter, can be put on the curb for the City to pickup during the above listed dates. Small branches should be bundled with string for easy handling by City workers.

Residency required for participation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF HANCOCK RESIDENTS (ONLY)

2013 Spring Cleanup Schedule

May 17th and May 18th, 2013

General Debris: May 17th and May 18th

Debris, such as old furniture, lumber, small metal items, etc. can be brought to the Public Works Garage, 1601 Tomasi Dr.

Friday, May 17th 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 18th 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

General Debris Terms and Conditions: The DPW storage site will have restricted access and the site will be closed for debris drop off except for the above published times. Any debris left at the gate area will be treated as a littering offense by the City. The City is limiting the amount of material to 4 cubic yards per household or facility. Only two box springs or mattresses will be accepted per household or facility.

WHITE GOODS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE CITY including refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers and microwaves.

Scrap Metal -Steel, iron, copper, brass and aluminum will be accepted including bicycles, lawn mowers, and snow blowers.

PAINTS, OILS, TIRES AND BATTERIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!

Residency Requirement: The spring cleanup is only for City of Hancock Residents, and is limited to debris generated in the City. Proof of residency, such as a driver's license, will be required at the DPW Facility (1601 Tomasi Dr).

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

houghton county fair request

.....long range plan is to remain in the City of Hancock. We would like to begin communication with you to review various options for long term leases or possible purchase of additional property.....

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Belej to refer the Houghton County Fair Board request to the Community Development sub-committee for a recommendation.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

budget worksessions

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Moore to set the following dates for the FYE 6-30-14 budget worksessions:

Wednesday, May 1st 6-8 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8th 6-8 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

bridgefest donation

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving a \$1500 donation to Bridgefest 2013 as budgeted.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler.

No: None

Motion Carried.

keweenaw storm
congratulations

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler directing the City Manager to send a letter of congratulations to the Keweenaw Storm for their hockey achievements this year.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Moore that this regular meeting of the Hancock Council be adjourned. Time: 8:55 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

William Laitila, Mayor

Karen Haischer, CMC City Clerk