

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

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

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Tervo Agency update. Death of Jason Mikkola.
2. City Picnic is on 7-19-2013 at Noon.
3. New Transit Bus update.  
-should arrive this month (color is red)
4. Spotted Horse Company is moving into 111 Quincy Street
5. Storm Sewer Navy Street Update.  
-project should start next week.
6. Essential Air Service Update.
7. Tom Gemignani is looking to purchase Gino's.
8. 119 Quincy Street Update (Lahti/MEDC).
9. Banner Board will be installed at the end of the Bridge/Front Street soon.
10. Advertising for a DPW Director with applications due by 8-16-2013 and starting  
On October 1<sup>st</sup>.
11. The endloader that we were looking at was sold. We continue to look for a used one.
12. Aspirus site plan in Houghton is being reviewed.
13. E. Ingot Street is in rough shape. Houghton County Road Commission is responsible.
14. August 12<sup>th</sup> the Governor will be in town.
15. MSHDA Director is touring 116 Quincy Street on August 13<sup>th</sup>.
16. 906 Third Street home update.  
-looking for a buyer to rehab this property
17. Congratulations to the Hancock Fire Department for a great tournament.
18. City Manager on Vacation from July 31<sup>st</sup> to August 14<sup>th</sup>
19. National Guard will have an exercise on Portage Lake in 2015.
20. Lighting strike at the campground took out a Pine Tree.
21. Valley View Dr.  
-gravel road next week  
-working on sewer
22. John and Glenn will be meeting with the Keweenaw Foundation next week.
23. Cemetery is in need of a new lawn mower.
24. Public Hearing for City lot sale.  
- Notices were sent out to Funeral Home, Lahti, Copper Crown and Vollwerth's.  
- 12" storm sewer is running through lot.
25. Police Quarterly Report – Chief Mike Beaudoin  
April, May and June; 702 complaints  
-2 assault's, 1 CSC, 1 sex offender arrested, B&E at Harrington Ridge, 7 frauds, 5 larcenies,  
1 bad check, 3 domestics, 4 disorderly persons, MDOP, 2 drunk driving, 1 minor in  
possession, 32 traffic tickets, 12 motorist assists, 173 court ordered breath test 230 traffic  
stops 36 tickets and Parades. \$190 police reports \$1255 tickets.
26. PLWSA – City flows are up
27. Bid Package E. Hancock Steps update.

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

Mayor Laitila called this Public Hearing to order for the following purpose:

1. Public Hearing on a proposed sale of City owned property. Proposed sale of a 70' x 120' City owned lot located on Hancock street just East of 215 Hancock Street, described as the West 45' of Lot 4 and the East ½ of Lot 5, Block 7, Plat of the Village (now City) of Hancock for a minimum bid price of \$16,800.00.

Present: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler. Also present: Manager Anderson, City Clerk Haischer, Rick Allen, Jim Schaaf, Mark Dennis Tracey Williams.

Public Comment:

Mark Dennis – O’Neil Funeral Home

-Opposed to the selling of this lot, it is important for his funeral business. Tried to purchase this lot years ago and was told by the City that it wouldn’t be for sale as a sewer line runs through the lot and it is needed for downtown parking.

Jim Schaaf – Vollwerth’s

Opposed to the selling of this lot, their employees use it daily for parking.

Manager Anderson stated that if the City would like to sell this lot we would request bids to be due by August 21, 2013.

Mayor Laitila called this Public Hearing closed at 7:49 p.m.

Regular Meeting

July 17, 2013

7:49 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Hancock City Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at 7:49 p.m. with Mayor Laitila presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, Laitila, Moore, McKenzie and Haeussler.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor McKenzie to amend the July 17, 2013 Agendas as follows:

New Business: add #8 Essential Air Service

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

None at this time.

guests

None at this time.

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the minutes of the June 26, 2013 worksession, public hearing and regular meeting as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

reports

Financial Reports

All Funds for May, 2013

-Cash Balances

-Due to/from

-Interest Earned

-Revenue and Expense Report

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor Belej to accept the May, 2013 Financial Reports as presented and place them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

DDA minutes of May 6, 2013

Recreation minutes of May 22, 2013

US41/M26 Corridor Advisory Team minutes of May 9, 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. Update on the PLWSA FY 12/13 actual flows.
  - flows have been increasing monthly
  - we increased our sewage billing rate in May
2. July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> will be Day of Energy Savings in Hancock
3. DDA meeting is cancelled for August 5<sup>th</sup>, a special meeting is scheduled for July 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the Tom Gemignani request regarding Gino's.
4. MIOSHA inspection findings.
  - 9 Citation Items:
    - Items 1-3 were considered serious (Cemetery) and were given fines totaling \$2100.00
    - Items 1-6 were considered other and corrected immediately no fines.
  - If the serious citations are corrected within the allotted time period, the fine will be \$1050.00
5. Upcoming Sesquicentennial Events
  - Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> Historic Photo of Hancock with Jack Deo
  - Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> Noon to 4 pm, Historic East Hancock Home Tour
  - September 16<sup>th</sup> Monday, Celebration of the Life of Big Louie Moilanen
  - September 19<sup>th</sup> Karen Hubbard Jacobsen Sandstone
  - October repeat of Historic Fires in Hancock
  - October 8<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday Dr. Larry Langton – Hancock & Rise of the Portage Lake Copper District.
6. All school reunion, July 25, 26 and 27
  - HCH all class reunion
7. Transit Vehicle Maintenance Plan approved by MDOT.
  - MDOT approved
8. DNR Grant inspections update. Check list by July 22, 2013.
9. WUPHD findings. Hancock Beach OK
10. MDOT Update.
  - M203 micro surfacing
  - Sign replacement M26 and M203

old business

None at this time.

new business

june, 2013 a/p

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor McKenzie approving the June 2013 accounts payable in the amount of \$13,752.02 and authorizing payment as follows as funds become available.

General	\$6,621.85
Major	335.82
Transit	150.31
Water	4,472.10
Motor V.	1,658.40
DDA	388.48
Local TIFA	125.06
Total	\$13,752.02

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed  
in june

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and supported by Councilor Belej approving the additional checks typed in the month of June in the amount of \$871,959.26 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses \$191,159.69

Transfers 680,799.57

Total \$871,959.26

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

mdot award sm urban grant  
campus drive

Bidders:

Bill Siler Contracting, Inc. \$144,284.00

Payne & Dolan, Inc. 172,380.25

A. Lindberg & Sons, Inc. 204,277.15

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Belej to approve the MDOT bid award for a Small Urban Grant to Bill Siler Contracting, Inc. for \$144,284.00 for Campus Drive (West) to be completed by September 30, 2013.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

assignment of mortgages  
mshda

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to assign the City interest in nine (9) MSHDA Rehab Grant Mortgages to the State.

Louis and Roberta Fredianelli 1230 Quincy Street

James and Carol Neher 1210 Cedar Street

Jeanette Robertson 726 N. Lincoln Drive

Rejean Kangas 1134 Summit Street

Thomas and Nancy Olson 217 Wright Street

Doris Scharfenberg 715 Finn Street

Mark Kastamo 410 Ethel Avenue

Robyn Phelps 512 Scott Street

John Slivon and Ann Pace 1124 Sigsbee Street

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

saw grant application

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Belej approving an amended scope of services agreement with OHM for a DEQ SAW Grant program for a sewer and storm water assessment management plan as follows:

1. The City will negotiate a contract with OHM if the grant is approved.

2. Further Clarifications and Assumptions: strike out ... "It is understood by the City that they will contract with OHM Advisors for the Phase 2 work if a SAW Grant(s) are obtained"....

Note: The City may hire a specialty company to review services and that this contract is not exclusive with OHM.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

house bill no. 4233

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to support proposed HB No. 4233 on foreclosed property tax sale requirements by amending 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," section 78m (MCL 211.78m), as amended by 2006 PA 498.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

sale of city owned lot  
on hancock street

No Action at this time.

essential air service

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor McKenzie to support EAS, SkyWest Airlines proposal at Hancock/Houghton MI (the only carrier to bid).

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor McKenzie that this regular meeting of the Hancock City Council be adjourned. Time: 9:46 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

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William Laitila, Mayor

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Karen Haischer, CMC City Clerk