

March 19, 2014
Worksession
6:30 p.m.

Present: Councilors Haeussler, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Givens.
Also present: Manager Anderson, City Clerk Karen Haischer, Susan Burack, Deb Mann and Tracie and Mike for OHM.

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Updated Portage Health Foundation request.
2. Retirements this year.
 - Police Chief and Lt. are looking to retire October 17th
 - Heavy Equipment Operator Chuck Maki is retiring June 7th
 - City Mechanic is retiring June 21st
 - 2nd City Mechanic is having surgery on April 14th and will be out for 6 months
3. Mark Korpela will be here for tonight's meeting along with Mark Dennis and someone from Vollwerth's regarding the sale of the back part of the Wickely Lot.
4. Update on the County owned building at 200 Quincy Street.
 - old DHS building is now on the market
 - hope to sell with 6 months
 - they currently lease 4 parking spots from the City
5. EVIP Discussion Update.
 - includes townships base on per capita
 - pp \$40,000 or less are exempt and will not receive a tax bill
6. Ballot proposal for the August 5th Primary.
 - sales tax language
7. DDA
 - Small Business Development Center (free assistance)
8. Phil Johnson (Finlandia University) will be attending one of our worksession to discuss their seven year strategic plan.
9. Scheduled a Community Development meeting next month with Ted, John and Kevin.
10. BridgeFest 2014
 - Amy is once again the Chair.
11. Keweenaw Chamber is looking for a Director. Applications are being accepted until April 15th.
12. City has six streets light out. Need new starters and four lights have been repaired.
13. Update, St. Vinnie's is interested in the Miller Building.
14. Road Commission Update
 - winter road restrictions are in effect
 - frost is down 8 ½ feet deep
 - County to repair Ingot Street extended this year
15. Manager will be out of the office from March 25th to March 27th for a MSHDA and Transit meeting.
16. Sewer Metering Update.
 - six meters were installed on 2-24
 - March 1st was the first monitoring
 - next scheduled monitoring is March 11th
 - Marlor was the 3rd person used for confined spaces
17. Ward I seat
 - one application received late, lives in ward 1

Public Hearing
7:30 p.m.

Mayor McKenzie called this Public Hearing to order at 7:30 p.m. for the following purpose:

1. Proposed ordinance to increase sewer rates from \$7.35 to \$8.35 per 1,000 gallons of metered water.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

2. Proposed RD Grant Application for \$15,000 for a new Police Department Patrol Vehicle.
CITY HAS CURRENT THREE POLICE VEHICLES ON THE ROAD

#1 2008 Chev 144,455 miles

#2 2008 Ford 101,002 miles

#3 2012 Tahoe 82,881 miles

Funding available after October 1st

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

3. Proposed sale of 60' x 70' City owned parcel described as the N ½ of the West 45' of Lot 4 and the N ½ of the East ½ of Lot 5, Block 7, Plat of the City of \$8,400.

-Mark Korpela, owner of World of Wood, his business is at a standstill as he doesn't have enough room for current workers and this causes a safety hazard. Would need to move or put on an addition. An addition would be more economically feasible.

Currently has 12-14 full-time employees, expansion would add two more employees.

-Adam Manderfield, Vollwerths (part owner) is against the sale. It creates a parking problem for Vollwerth's employees. Would Korpela be required to move the sewer drain?

-Mark Dennis, Dennis Funeral Home 214 Hancock Street; biggest concern is parking and snow removal in the winter time at this lot. Mark was very concerned about losing parking area. Not in favor of selling lot.

NO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor McKenzie closed this Public Hearing at 7:50 p.m.

Regular Meeting

March 19, 2014

7:50 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Hancock City Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 7:50 p.m. with Mayor McKenzie presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present: Councilor Haeussler, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Givens.

Absent: None

One seat is vacant.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to amend the March 19, 2014 Agenda as follows:

New business:

Change #8 to #10

Add #

8. Ward I seat or re-post opening.

#9. Consider application or re-post.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

Charter letter

MI Liquor Control Commission re: Transfer ownership of License Type: Class C & SDM licenses – Gino's Incorporated to Thomas Gemignani

WUPHD – Plan review – Addition of a Bar – Studio Saloon (inside existing Studio Pizza)

E-Mail Houghton Post Office re: White Street mail delivery

The Great Revenue Sharing Heist

MSHDA re: 119 Quincy Street rehab

Moved by Councilor Belej 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 Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the minutes of the February 19, 2014 worksession and regular meeting as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

admin report

1. FY 13/14 Act 51 snow payment received \$87,178.14
2. FY 13/14 \$100 million snow supplemental \$25,423.58 (received)
3. 2014 Peninsula Fiber Optic's work in the City. (Baraga Telephone)
4. PLWSA new Hancock lift station master meters were calibrated this week and will be installed next week.
5. 435 Hancock Street site plan approval
 - Planning Commission approved this site plan for 2,707 sq. ft. addition. Should be completed in April/May with the move in June.
6. MDOT RFP process for design services for Quincy Street reconstruction.
 - 1st week in April (design services)
7. MDOT M-26 Ripley reconstruct project.
 - 25% higher
 - MJO \$6,682,502.50
 - options to either approve or re-bid
8. MDOT 201/15 lift bridge rehab project.
 - 5.3 million. 6/6 bid out materials, 11/7 bid contractors 2015 project
 - 50 working days at night
9. DEQ SAW Grants.
 - city was not successful in the 1st round for a grant.
10. DEQ Water monitoring update.
11. Let run frozen water lines update.
12. MSHDA Update
 - Kaleva 95% complete, Blast from the Past 50% complete, WMPL project started, and Masonic Temple to bid out in the next few weeks.

reports

Planning Commission minutes of December 9, 2013

DDA minutes of February 3, 2014

PLWSA minutes of February 11, 2014

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

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

old business

ordinance #286 sewer rates

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Haeussler adopting Ordinance #286 as follows:

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 285 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 \$8.35 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 February, 2014 utility billing.

This ordinance was introduced by the City Council of the City of Hancock, Houghton County, Michigan on the 19th Day of February, 2014.

This ordinance was adopted/enacted by the City Council of Hancock, Houghton County, Michigan on the 19th day of March, 2014.

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

Effective this 19th day of April, 2014.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur and Haeussler.

No: None

Motion Carried.

lot sale

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Givens to consider authorizing to place for sale a 60' x 70' City owned parcel, as described as, the n ½ of the West 45' of Lot 4 and the n ½ of the East ½ of Lot 5, Block 7, Plat of the City for \$8400 with the stipulation that construction must start within twelve months and be completed within 24 months on a minimum 2,500 sq. ft. building and relocate the existing 12" storm sewer around the outside of the new building foundation prior to construction.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Haeussler, Hodur, McKenzie and Givens.

No: Councilors Belej and Slivon.

Motion Failed. (needed 5/7 to pass)

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to schedule a Special Meeting for Tuesday, April 8th at 5:00 p.m. to reconsider lot sale.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

new business
february a/p

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Slivon approving the February, 2014 accounts payable in the amount of \$135,383.28 and authorize payment as follows as funds become available.

General	\$15,707.88
Major St.	5,160.00
Transit	4,475.78
Sewer	47,273.71
Water	24,528.21
Motor V	37,137.70
DDA	<u>1,100.00</u>
Total	\$135,383.28

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Haeussler, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Givens.

No: None

Motion Carried.

add/l checks typed in feb

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur approving the additional checks typed in the month of February in the amount of \$911,494.64 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses	\$155,515.60
Transfers	<u>755,979.04</u>
Total	\$911,494.64

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Givens, Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur and Haeussler.

No: None

Motion Carried.

spring clean up

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Belej scheduling May 9th and 10th from 7 am to 7 pm for Spring Clean-up in the City of Hancock.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

budget worksessions

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej to schedule 2014/2015 budget worksessions for May 7th and May 28th starting at 6:00 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

housing commission
appointment

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler appointing Mary Tuisku to a 5 year term on the Hancock Housing Commission.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #6-14

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Belej adopting Resolution #6-14 designating the Hancock City Manager as the City's DCBG Project Certifying Officer and Environmental Certifying Officer for all environmental review procedures associated with the 119 Quincy Street Project.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

proposed ordinance and
set public hearing for 4-16

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the introduction of a proposed ordinance for Complete Streets, which is intended to encourage the development and implementation of a non-motorized network plan to provide streets and accommodate pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation passengers, and the users of all ages and abilities; (complete copy on file), set a public hearing for April 16th, 2014 at 7:30 and authorize publication in the Mining Gazette.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

ward I council seat

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Belej to consider the application for the Ward I vacancy and appoint Ron Blau to fill this seat.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Hodur, Belej and Givens.

No: Councilors Haeussler, McKenzie and Slivon.

Motion Failed.

Moved by Councilor Givens and seconded by Councilor Hodur to re-advertise for the open Ward I Councilor position with a deadline for applications being Monday, April 7, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. Place this item on the Special Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, April 8th at 5:00 p.m. for action.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

5 minute break – 9:00 p.m.

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Belej to go into closed session to discuss MTT Docket No. 441175 re: Moyle Real Estate Development LLC v City of Hancock, with no action to follow.

Time: 9:05 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Note: Councilor Givens excused himself for this closed session, stating possible conflict of interest as he is an employee of Moyle.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to come out of closed session at 9:55 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur that this regular meeting of the Hancock City Council be adjourned. Time: 10:00 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Lisa McKenzie, Mayor

Karen Haischer, CMC City Clerk