

July 16, 2014  
Worksession  
6:30 p.m.

Present: Councilors Haeussler, Blau, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej and Slivon.

Absent: Councilor Givens

Also Present: Manager Anderson, City Clerk Karen Haischer, Police Chief Mike Beaudoin, Mr. and Mrs. William Laitila, Janet Fredrickson, Roger Turpening, Traci William, Mike Markham and Jason Parker.

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Update on the stamp sand issues. Feds and State want the sands removed.
2. Update on Hancock Housing Commission (HHC).
  - HUD has challenged expenses totaling for then \$74,000.00
  - Missing documentation of the above amount \$17,844.24 is credit card expense
  - Gail Ross resigned as of June 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Her health insurance was terminated as BC/BS prohibits non-employee from being on their policy and under 20 employees are not eligible for COBRA
  - HHC is waiting from HUD for approval to appoint the Houghton Housing Commission as the Director and Maintenance personnel.
  - July 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, appointed Amy Juntunen as Interim Director. She now has access To Quick Books, payroll and HUD.
3. Police Report – Chief Mike Beaudoin for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter April, May and June  
799 complaints, 21 traffic, 32 medical assists, assisted other departments 20 times, 6 B&E's, 1 larceny from an auto, 3 driving with suspended licenses, 4 assaults, 3 outstanding warrants, 3 domestic violence, 1 MIP, 2 cases of huffing and 3 dog bites. Parking Meter brought in \$1800  
Drug money \$1030.00, abandon vehicle \$40.00, sold 3 bikes \$75.00 and \$2640.00 sold guns. Canal Run is set for July 19<sup>th</sup> (blocking off Quincy Street down to Ravine) Third break-in at Harrington Ridge Stove and Coal on Front Street.
4. Police Chief Beaudoin and Lt. Mayra are planning on retiring in October. Mayra's last day of work is 10-15 and Beaudoin's last day of work is 10-17.
5. Update on Gino's sale.
6. Update on the Finlândia University fitness center 6 million project
7. Update on County Freeze and report submitted to FEMA. Doesn't look good for reimbursement from FEMA for freezing expenses.
8. Hancock and Houghton Businesses are talking about an event "Days on the Water" maybe 8-9-14.

July 16, 2014  
Public Hearing  
7:30 p.m.

Mayor McKenzie called this Public Hearing to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 for the following purpose:

1. The proposed sale of 0.104 acre (4,522.3 sq. ft.) parcel located contiguous to the West and North of 1200 Jasberg Street for a minimum price of \$1500.00.
2. Proposed \$250,000 Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) CDBG Grant application for \$250,000 to help rehabilitate the building located at 119 Quincy Street. The overall project is estimated to cost \$582,800.00.

Present: Councilors Haeussler, Blau, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej and Slivon.

Absent: Councilor Givens

Also Present: Manager Anderson, City Clerk Karen Haischer, Police Chief Mike Beaudoin, Mr. and Mrs. William Laitila, Janet Fredrickson, Roger Turpening, Traci Williams, Mike Markham, Jason Parker, Michele Bourdieu and Mitch Lake.

Public Comment:

1. Proposed property sale:

Janet Fredrickson and Roger Turpening, 1200 Jasberg Street.

Stated that they wish to purchase this property for a proposed addition to the home located at 1200 Jasberg Street.

City will accept bids on the above listed property at the next regular meeting August 20<sup>th</sup>.

2. Proposed \$250,000 MEDC CDBG Grant application:

Manager Glenn Anderson, 740 Lake Street

Stated that this application is for funding for 119 Quincy Street located in the City of Hancock.

-Miners State Bank of Iron River, MI had foreclosed on the property and over time this building has rapidly deteriorated.

-Local developer, Mike Lahti, closed on the purchase of the building in April.

-Looking for a MEDC \$250,000 grant for blight.

-Total project is \$528,800 and estimated CDBG funding is \$250,000.

-The City will administer the grant and the Hancock Downtown Development Authority has committed \$10,000.00 towards the façade.

-This project will renovate three apartments upstairs and retain commercial space on the bottom floor.

-Apartments would be for low/moderate income individuals.

-Public comment on this project is open until July 31, 2014

-Submit application to MEDC August 4<sup>th</sup> for determination.

-This would be a great project for our downtown area and rehabilitate a blighted building in the core of the Downtown

-The State Historic Preservation Office has reviewed the project as proposed and found it meets SHPO's approval.

-Because the building has been vacant for over five (5) years, no displacement of persons is involved.

-There will be some jobs created during remodeling.

No further public comments.

Mayor McKenzie closed this public hearing at 7:39 p.m.

Special presentation to former Councilor and Mayor William Laitila for his many years of service to the City of Hancock.

Receive draft final of the sewer flow evaluation report from OHM (Traci Williams and Mike Markham) with the final document ready for the next regular meeting.

Regular Meeting

July 16, 2014

7:58 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Hancock City Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at 7:58 p.m. with Mayor McKenzie presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present:

Councilors Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Blau and Haeussler.

Absent: Councilor Givens

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to excuse Councilor Givens from tonight's meeting as he is out of town.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Haeussler to approve the July 16, 2014 Agenda as presented.

Yes: All

No: None  
Motion Carried.

correspondence

Letter from Dorothy Jamison re: White Street Traffic dated 6-30-14  
Letter from Charter Communications re: New lineup

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. Jason Parker, 933 Fir Street  
-PLL and Hancock Softball have concerns regarding the Hancock Driving.  
\*Field conditions (not dragged and not lined)  
\*Fence is in need of repair and or replacement  
\*Rocks in the out and in fields. Doesn't need clay in the in-fields.  
Manager suggested that Mr. Parker get on the Recreation Commission as there is an opening. Should schedule a meeting with the City Manager to discuss improvement that can be made to the Driving Park area to make it a class-act ballfield.

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Blau approving the minutes of the June 16, 2014 worksession, public hearing and regular meeting and the June 19, 2014 minutes of a Special Joint City Council meeting with the City of Houghton.

Yes: All  
No: None  
Motion Carried.

reports

Recreation Commission minutes of May 13, 2014  
WUPPDR minutes of March 17, 2014  
US-41/M-26 Corridor Advisory Team minutes of May 8, 2014  
PLLB Emergency Management Long Term Outage Group minutes of June 4, 2014

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

Yes: All  
No: None  
Motion Carried.

admin. report

1. Update date on Key Ingredients Event, Friday evening, July 18<sup>th</sup>.
2. Update on the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Canal Run, Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>.
3. Mackinac Center for Public Policy re: policy brief on Proposal 1 would result in net \$500 million tax break annually.
4. Update on EB- 5 Regional Center Program Benefits.  
-Immigrant Investment
5. Adoption of SB #872 and Gay Sands initiatives.  
-Amend Part 201 of the Natural Resources & Environmental Protection Act to exclude stamp sands from the definition of "hazardous substances" and provide the property where stamp sands were deposited would not be subject to regulations under Part 201, unless excessive hazardous substances also were present.
6. Lift Bridge Project Update.

Bill Kallman, PE has concerns and questions for MDOT regarding their plans. Memo on file.

7. International Race and Party 2014 – List of Events.

August 5<sup>th</sup>; 50-75 Boat Race participants. City will host coffee on 8-6-14.

8. MML meeting in Marquette October 14<sup>th</sup> – October 17<sup>th</sup>.

9. CC Festa Italiana – Houghton County Arena, Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup> \$5 coverage. One day event.

10. Blacktop needs (memo on file)

11. Hancock Housing Commission Director (Gail Ross) resigned as of 6-30-14. Housing Commission terminated her 6 months of paid insurance per BC/BS.

12. Update on contract with Houghton Housing Commission. HUD to approve contract with Houghton Housing for administrative duties and building maintenance. Amy Juntunen was appointed temp director until HUD approval.

13. MDOT TAP Streetscape grant application update. Due the end of the month. Curb extensions, plantings, decorative lights. Should know by the end of October.

14. MDOT 2016 Quincy Street reconstruction project kick off meeting (June 18, 2014). Project Bridge to Krist Oil

Budget 7M

4M for water main

Preliminary plans should be completed by the end of the calendar year 2014.

Bid out project 12/2015

Schedule one public meeting and one council meeting during the design phase.

ROW – Dave’s BP on Front Street

Hancock Street three lanes; two way street with middle turning lane (May-October)

Consider hiring a part-time liaison for 2016.

Use of wooden sidewalk planks to access businesses.

15. RD pre-conference update.

Eligible for grant component, 3.8 million application, interest rate 2 1/2%. All RD money no Davis Bacon. MDOT money would have to follow Davis Bacon.

16. FEMA Costs \$307,525.07. Would not allow extra water run or credits, only allowable cost for February through April. County wide 2.4 M.

17. Fiber optics update. Merit and White Construction have been working in the City.

Location: Health Department, Water St., Michigan St., M203, Ethel Avenue, Market Street and N. Elevation.

18 PON Jubilee “Parade of Nations” September 13<sup>th</sup> 11 am.

old business  
land sale

Moved by Councilor Blau and seconded by Councilor Belej to offer for sale a of 0.104 acre (4,522.3 sq. ft.) parcel located contiguous to the West and North of 1200 Jasberg Street for a minimum price of \$1500.00 with bids due on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 4:00 p.m..

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Blau and Haeussler.

No: Councilor Slivon

Absent: Councilor Givens

Motion Carried.

new business  
june a/p

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Slivon approving the accounts payable in the amount of \$23,539.38 and \$74,999.82 and authorizing payment as follows as funds become available.

General Fund	8,388.46	26,681.96
Major	2,012.06	136.35
Local	.00	136.34
Transit	669.20	2,619.89
Sewer	.00	2,378.50
Water	5,501.13	35,571.44

Motor V.	6,968.53	5,865.34
Local St TIFA	.00	1,610.00
Total	23,539.38	74,999.82

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed in june

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur approving the additional checks typed in the month of June, in the amount of \$1,049,843.26 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses \$137,343.20

Transfers \$912,500.06

Total \$1,049,843.26

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

parade of nations donation

Moved by Councilor Blau and seconded by Councilor Belej approving a \$250 budgeted appropriation to the 25<sup>th</sup> Parade of Nations event on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

Yes: Unanimous

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #12-14

Moved by Councilor Haeussler and seconded by Councilor Belej adopting Resolution #12-14 to approve the establishment of a SmartZone Satellite in the City of Marquette as follows:

Resolution #12-14

CITY OF HANCOCK

RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL

TO ESTABLISH A SMARTZONE SATELLITE

IN THE CITY OF MARQUETTE

WHEREAS, the cities of Houghton and Hancock in partnership with Michigan Technological University have been designated a Michigan SmartZone to foster high-tech job growth in the state; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan MEDC will allow an additional 15 years of LDFA tax capture to assist in funding the MTEC SmartZone if it partners with another community and university to establish a satellite smartzone; and

WHEREAS, the MTEC SmartZone has been working with the City of Marquette, its LDFA, Northern Michigan University, and Michigan State University to establish a Marquette Satellite SmartZone to collaborate and leverage our assets for enhanced development of regional economic growth in the Upper Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette Satellite SmartZone proposes to promote management and investment in a regional ecosystem by leveraging the technology centered in the Houghton/Hancock area with business and investment potential accessible in Marquette.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Hancock City Council does hereby approve the proposal to have the MTEC SmartZone establish a satellite in the City of Marquette.

AYES: Councilors Haeussler, Blau, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej and Slivon.

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

resolution #13-14

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler adopting Resolution #13-14 authorizing a \$480,000 grant application for a combined MSHDA homebuyer purchase rehab and grant and a homeowner rehabilitation grant as follows:

Resolution #13-14

Authorizing a grant application to the MSHDA Housing Rehabilitation Program  
WHEREAS, the City of Hancock is interested in the continuing effort to provide safe, energy efficient, affordable housing opportunities for low and moderate income residents;  
WHEREAS, the City of Hancock has reviewed and understands the content of the application for funding; and  
WHEREAS, the City of Hancock Council has decided to apply for \$480,000 for a combined MSHDA Homebuyer Purchase Rehabilitation (HPR) Program grant and a Homeowner Rehabilitation Program grant ; and  
WHEREAS, the City of Hancock Council has decided to focus these funds to the Downtown/Corridor Target area; and  
WHEREAS, the City of Hancock Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the application forms as required:  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Hancock Council authorizes Ray Gerhart of Northern Consultants, Inc. to prepare the application for funding through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's Office of Community Development.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Yes: Councilors Haeussler, Blau, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej and Slivon.  
No: None  
Motion Carried.

resolution #14-14

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Haeussler adopting Resolution 14-14 authorizing a \$250,000 MEDC grant application for CDBG grant funds to rehabilitate the blighted building located at 119 Quincy Street as follows:

Resolution #14-14

WHEREAS, the City of Hancock has submitted a grant application for \$250,000 with the Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Blight Elimination Program to rehabilitate the building located at 119 Quincy Street,  
WHEREAS, the City provided project information to citizens related to the CDBG Grant funds being applied for, the local match, the proposed creation of three housing units and mixed use commercial space for a blighted building located at 119 Quincy Street,  
WHEREAS, the rehabilitation of 119 Quincy Street will provide new housing opportunity for low and moderate income persons,  
WHEREAS, the City has published a public notice on July 12th and held a public hearing on July 16th to obtain views from citizens on the proposed Michigan Economic Development Corporate (MEDC) grant application related to the City of Hancock's community development and housing needs,  
WHEREAS, the City has reviewed and understands the public participation regiments related to the MEDC's CDBG grant program;  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hancock hereby authorizes an application to the Michigan Community Development Block grant program for \$250,000 with the Michigan Strategic Fund administered by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation and authorizes the City Manager Glenn Anderson to sign the necessary grant application material.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Yes: Councilors Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Blau and Haeussler.  
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: 9:22 p.m.

Yes: All  
No: None  
Motion Carried.

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Lisa McKenzie, Mayor

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Karen Haischer, CMC City Clerk