

**CITY OF HANCOCK
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
OF OCTOBER 26, 2015**

The regular monthly Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dave Lucchesi at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2015 with the following members present: Dan Seguin, Ron Blau, Tony Wilmers, Dave Lucchesi, Clark Korpela, Deb Mann, Lisa McKenzie and Glenn Anderson.

Absent: Bob Wenc

Guests: None

It was moved by Mann and seconded by Seguin to approve the agenda.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

It was moved by Mann and seconded by Clark to approve the September 21, 2015 minutes.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

Updates/Information

-Reviewed the October 8, 2015 Hancock Bike & Pedestrian Committee meeting minutes.

-Reviewed the September 10, 2015 minutes of the US41/M26 Corridor Advisory Committee.

-Heard that Superior Sand & Gravel has offered to sell a 1.3 acre parcel of property on Ingot Street just west of the DNR Trail

-Heard that the Lurn-Grove Park outdoor tennis court received new fence fabric, straightened fence posts, installed 2 new net posts, installed a new tennis net, and crack sealed the court.

-Reviewed County Building permits through September and noted 27 new house permits and 226 other permits.

-Noted the campground has record use and revenue with \$88,675 collected with an estimated 5,000 user days.

-Heard that the hard ball infield at the Driving Park received a major renovation with material paid for by the City and volunteers doing most of the work.

-Heard that the Portage Lake Little League Association purchased new infield material for the Little League field and was installed by volunteers, with assistance from the City's DPW crew.

-Reviewed plans for the \$2.23 million 2016 water main replacement project to be bid out on February 12th.

-Received an update on the 2016 \$7.2 million Front St., Reservation St. & Quincy St. reconstruct project to be bid out on February 12, 2016, funded by \$4.722 million from MDOT, \$1.09 million with a MDOT TAP Streetscape grant and \$1.08 million from Rural Development for the water main replacement. MDOT will be charging the City a 3% administration fee on the water portion of the project.

-The DDA is paying for the 20% streetscape grant match of \$240,000, the City sewer fund will be paying \$12,870 for sewer work outside the scope of the project, and the General Fund will be paying \$55,714 for Front Street relocation costs.

-Heard that the MDOT project will include 2000 feet of Gatorbar rebar in the curb face as a pilot project. The rebar is made in Ahmeek by Neuvokus.

-Reviewed the estimated Average Daily Traffic (ADT) expected on Hancock Street during construction. From May to October, Hancock Street traffic will increase by 72% to 16,100 vehicles per day, and when White Street is blocked due to Reservation Street being rebuilt, Hancock Street traffic will increase by 123% to 20,925 vehicles per 24 hour period.

-Heard that volunteers from the KNSC finished installing the deck on the Middle Bridge replacement project on Swedetown Creek in time for the winter's cross country skiing.

-Reviewed the results of ADT counts conducted by OHM Advisors:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Street</u>	<u>Count</u>
9-28-15	Elevation/South of N. Lincoln Dr.	571
9-28-15	Scott St./South of N. Lincoln Dr.	700
9-23-15	White/Up bound only	4,825

-White Street up bound traffic has increased form 3,356 in 2007 to 4,825 in 2015.

-Elevation Street traffic as 667 in 2001 and 571 in 2015.

-Scott St. traffic was 478 in 2001 and 700 in 2015.

-Heard that Jim Hwang and Evergreen Technology was purchased the building located at 200 Quincy Street from Houghton County on October 1st and Pete Makin has been hired as the business manager.

-Heard Pat's IGA was conducting a market survey to determine if an expansion is necessary.

-Heard FU is considering constructing a new 35 bed dorm building.

-Deb Mann was thanked for her leadership efforts for "Make a Difference Day."

-Deb Mann discussed HB 4054 regulating trailer parks in Michigan.

-Discussed the possibility of a new subway franchise building on Quincy Street in 2017.

The Commission reviewed 11 pages of plans for the 2016 MDOT reconstruct project, including cross walk design, typical cross sections of Quincy Street, Reservation Street and Front Street, underpass redesign and retaining wall, South side sidewalk design on

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Front Street with a new 3' 4" high concrete barrier, temporary traffic light at M-203/US41, coal bin closures, street light design, landscaping design, tree detail, granite strip on the 1st 3 blocks of Quincy St. and other details.

It was moved by Blau and seconded by Korpela to consolidate the November and December meetings into one meeting on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

It was moved by McKenzie and seconded by Wilmers to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson
Secretary