

**June 19, 2018
Hancock/Houghton Joint City Council Meeting
Lakeview Manor, Hancock
6:00 p.m.**

Present: Councilors Blau, LaBine, Belej, McKenzie, Seguin, Bauman and Haeussler

Also Present: Glenn Anderson, Beth Fredianelli, Eric Waara, Cleo Ruonavaaraa,, Jodi Reynolds, City of Houghton Councilmembers: Mayor Robert Backon, Robert Megowen, Philip Foltz, Mike Needham, Rachel Lankton, Dan Salo and John Sullivan

Absent: None

Guests: State Representative Sara Cambensy, State Representative Scott Dianda, Jay Gage (Aide to Senator Stebenow), Katelyn Radar (Aide to Senator Gary Peters), Chief Donnelly, Chief Butler, Marilyn Clark, SmartZone, Glenn Mroz, Gail Mroz, Ed McBroom, Bill Marlor, Andrew Lahti and Devin Leonarduzzi

Special Council meeting of Hancock and Houghton's City Council called to order by Mayor McKenzie and Mayor Backon.

Business:

Glenn Mroz Day, June 20th

**CITIES OF HOUGHTON AND HANCOCK
PROCLAMATION HONORING
MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT
GLENN MROZ**

WHEREAS, President Glenn Mroz has served Michigan Tech and the Community admirably and with distinction during his 15 years as President, and

WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments during his Presidential tenure the University has seen record breaking enrollment levels for undergraduate, graduates and women students, and

WHEREAS, In addition, President Mroz has overseen expanded research spending to record levels, doubled the endowment, provided financial stability to the University, and worked hard to enhance the economic and community development of both cities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cities of Houghton and Hancock recognize the accomplishments of Glenn Mroz, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that both cities do hereby proclaim June 20, 2018 as Glenn Mroz Day

Lisa McKenzie, Mayor
City of Hancock

Robert Backon, Mayor
City of Houghton

Mary Babcock, City Clerk

Ann Vollrath, City Clerk

Moved by Councilor Blau and supported by Councilor Salo to consider joint proclamation honoring Glenn Mroz for 15 years of service as President of MTU and proclaiming Wednesday, June 20th as Glenn Mroz Day in both cities.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

MTEC SmartZone Update

Marilyn Clark, MTEC CEO, SmartZone in review:

- Manages 3 Buildings: Lakeshore Center, Powerhouse and 2nd fl. of Jutila Center
- Developing Corporate Board for the SmartZone
- SmartZone is a feeder not a leader
- Has had a great seven years

UPSET WEST update

Chief John Donnelly, Houghton Police Dept.

- Reviewed Activity Executive Summary
- Talked about Heroin and Opioids
- Police Depts. Supplied with Narcan
- Teams consist of 4 people=2 local and 2 state
- Funded through partnerships-donations from various groups, cities and companies

FLOODING UPDATE

Glenn Anderson, City Manager, City of Hancock, reported/reviewed

- 100 million in estimated damages
- Storm sewers need sand cleaned out
- Dredge Portage Lake
- Swedetown-temp. bridge-where??
- Elevation St. is completely destroyed and St. Ann Circle
- Numerous washouts, Poplar St. and Campus Dr. West
- Urgency-get roads back before winter comes
- FEMA funds
- Deploying National Guard
- Mud-Hancock Bottling and behind the Quincy Center
- All 3 bridges on the Maasto Hiihto Ski Trail are destroyed
- DNR trail-erosion
- City will be looking for volunteers

Eric Waara, City Manager, City of Houghton, reported/reviewed

- Lost Agate St., Dodge St. and Sharon Ave.
- Downtown had a lot of sand
- Damage by Taco Bell, Wilderness Car Wash and the area behind Maurices
- There are some areas marked in pink, this means they will get back to it
- Testament of the people here is very evident

Representative Dianda, Representative Cambensy, Senator Peters' Aide, Katelyn Radar and Senator Stebenow's Aide Jay Gage addressed the people:

- Consider them resources
- Need to declare a Federal State of Emergency

Mayor Lisa McKenzie wanted to thank all the DPW Departments, Fire Departments, Police Departments, City Managers and Government Officials.

Moved by Councilor Salo and supported by Councilor Seguin to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Lisa McKenzie, Mayor

Beth Fredianelli, Deputy Clerk

