CITY OF HANCOCK PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2016

The regular Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dave Lucchesi at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2016 with the following members present: Deb Mann, David Lucchesi, Dan Seguin, Clark Korpela, Tony Wilmers and Glenn Anderson.

Absent: Lisa McKenzie, Bob Wenc and Ron Blau

Guests: Kevin Mackey

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

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

It was moved by Wilmers and seconded by Seguin to approve the October 24, 2016 minutes.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

Updates/Information

- -Noted that Houghton County in 2015 had 605 registered medical marihuana patients and 127 registered caregivers.
- -Heard the City has demolished the tax foreclosed Walman house at 805 Warren St. in November at an estimated tipping fee of \$12,000.
- -Reviewed a Michigan Court of Appeals case dated November 1, 2016 on the issue of public quorum deliberations related to the open meetings act.
- -Reviewed the November 10, 2016 Bike and Pedestrian committee meeting notes.
- -Heard the HCMCF has a bid opening scheduled for December 6th for its major remodeling and small addition project.
- -Heard the City has added 13 winter parking spots
- -Heard the MNRTF Board has recommended grant funding of \$294,000 for the beach dock project. The City's match is \$104,000 and Hancock Rotary's contribution of \$2,000. The City scored 370 points out of a possible 520 points.
- -Heard the November recreation millage of .8 of a mill passed in the City with 58.07% of the votes saying yes. The millage will generate about \$86,000 for each of 5 years for Parks & Recreation capital expenditure.
- -Reviewed a City Council order dated November 16, 2016 to secure the open basement at 730 Elm Street.
- -Reviewed the September 8, 2016 US41/M26 Corridor meeting notes.

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- -Heard Lend EDU had selected the City of Hancock as one of the 100 safest college towns in America. Hancock ranked 76th.
- -Heard the City Council had agreed to a financial commitment for the Houghton County Arena capital campaign for a total of \$60,000 over a 5 year period, starting in FY 17/18. Services rendered agreement needs to be completed.
- -Wright Electric is expected to install the 43 LED downtown street lights this week.
- -LaCantina Mexican restaurant is waiting for its liquor license to open the new business.
- -Jim's Pizza sale is expected to be concluded in January.
- -The 24 remodeled rental rooms at 100 Quincy St. are 85% complete, which includes new fire suppression throughout the building.
- -Heard 101 Front St. is securing a liquor license for the business.

It was moved by Clark and seconded by Wilmers to cancel the January 23, 2017 meeting.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried.

City Attorney Kevin Mackey was present to review code enforcement tools the City has available to it, including City Charter Section 11.9, the 2015 International Property Maintenance code, Municipal Civil Infraction Bureau, and reviewed the grass ordinance and placing indoor furniture outside of a dwelling unit.

It was moved by Clark and seconded by Seguin to adjourn 7:20 p.m.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted

Glenn Anderson

Secretary