CITY OF HANCOCK RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF MAY 22, 2013

The Wednesday, May 22, 2013 Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dennis Hagenbuch at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following members present: Ron Studer, Mary Pekkala, John Haeussler, Dennis Hagenbuch, John Slivon, Kevin Kalinec, John Diebel and Glenn Anderson.

Absent: Bonnie Holland

Guests: Drew Stockero, Richard Vendlinski and Wayne Stordahl

It was moved by Haeussler and seconded by Kalinec to approve the agenda.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

It was moved by Haeussler and seconded by Pekkala to approve the November 13, 2012 minutes.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

Richard Vendlinski was present to update the commission on the 3rd Annual Yooper Sprint Triathlon scheduled for Sunday, June 16, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. He normally has used the campground for his staging area but now requests the beach for this year's staging area.

It was moved by Haeussler and seconded by Kalinec to approve the use of the beach area for the 3rd Annual Yooper Sprint Triathlon staging area.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Drew Stockero was present to discuss a proposed eagle scout service project to develop a phase I trail from the DPW Trail head on Tomasi Dr. into the city's 140 acre Torgeneau

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Parcel, for a distance of about ½ mile. John Haeussler discussed how the trail would traverse the old Quincy Mine railroad spur.

It was moved by Slivon and seconded by Studer to recommend Stockero's eagle scout project for approval to the city council.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

<u>Updates/Information</u>

- -Heard that both Water Street Stairways and Porvoo Park benches and tables were primed and stained by volunteers.
- -Heard the DDA had hired Halonen Landscaping to construct a new pocket park between Wisti's Law office and Quincy Loafer Shoe Store in the 100 block of Quincy St.
- -Heard the city has applied for an Americana Foundation grant for the E. Hancock Stairway rehab project planned for later this summer.
- -Reviewed the November 2013 bike and pedestrian survey summary
- -Heard the city bike & pedestrian committee is working closely with MDOT to improve safety on M-26 from the bridge to the underpass as part of MDOTs 2014 reconstruct project through Ripley.
- -Heard that the Navy St. park boardwalk project will be bid out on June 20th, and reviewed the final design and cost estimate.
- -Heard that FU baseball coach Steve Lishinski is again handling all 3 baseball field game & practice schedules.
- -Heard that the city constructed 2 concrete sidewalks at the Driving Park entrance gates, and will look at doing the 3rd entrance.
- -Heard that Pasty.com has added the 4th WI MAX outdoor modem at the campground.
- -Reviewed the Houghton County Fair Board letter discussing reviewing property lines and ownership with the city.
- -Heard that the KNSC will be proposing to the city cost sharing for a new track setting sled called a Ginzu
- -John Diebel presented and update on the KNSC, including in spite of a late start, the cross country skiing season went very well, with a 17% increase in paid memberships to 417. The club is working on constructing new snow roller, and discussed future equipment needs/budget.
- -Heard that the DPW Crew has repaired one bent tennis net post at Laurn-Grove.
- -Heard Senator Casperson is still trying to pass SB 50 allowing ORV's to use MDOT highways under certain limited conditions.
- -Heard the city spent \$1,500 to upgrade the beach pavilion electrical panel
- -Discussed moving the 10' x 10' sauna from the Quincy Green to the campground.
- -Received an update on FinnFest 2013 activities
- -Heard the small pocket park across from Dave's BP will receive a landscaping upgrade, and the fire hall sign area will be upgraded with new topsoil and grass.

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It was moved by Studer and seconded by Haeussler to approve at 8:00 p.m.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson, Secretary