

**CITY OF HANCOCK  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021 6:00pm  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 399 QUINCY ST.**

6:02 P.M. Called to Order

Regular Meeting

Call to order and pledge of allegiance  
Roll Call and verification of quorum

Present: Blau, Lytle, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Warstler, Haeussler  
Absent: None

Also present: Grant Dosseto, Michael Markham, Beth, Josh Visser, Chris Jaehnig, Michele Blau, John Zurcher, Kevin Kalinec and other community members

- Motion by Councilor Lytle and supported by councilor Warstler to approve the agenda with the following changes:
  - Add to New Business item - Authorization for City Manager to sign Letter to Senator Debbie Stabenow in support of the Mass Timber – Recreational Trails Lodge Demonstration Building in FY22 appropriations submitted by Michigan Technological University

Communications

- Semco Energy – Notice of Public Hearing

Public Comment-

- John Zurcher appreciation for the Memorial Park Military Branch plaques as well as the park improvements in general

Administrative Report

- Announcement made by Mary Babcock that Ashley Freeman has decided to be the Code Enforcement Officer only, the Clerk duties would again be merged into one position with Linda Kalinec now assuming the position of Clerk/Treasurer. Going forward the Code Enforcement Officer position would continue to be 20-30 hours per week position. Ashley would not be doing the inspections; these would be done on an independent contract basis, there are 2 people considering this, details have not been finalized.
- Rededication of Memorial Park – Improvements made possible by many donations from various individuals, businesses and organizations. The rededication will take place on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm with grilled hot dogs & chips served after the ceremony.
- Summer Events
  - Canal Rock at Porvoo Park bands scheduled for Fridays starting June 18<sup>th</sup> through July 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Farmer's Market on the Quincy Green on Thursdays starting June 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Canal Run will be July 17<sup>th</sup>, will only have the adult run, will not have youth run
  - Movies again on Thursdays starting in July
  - Hancock resident would like to apply for a composting grant
  - Visit today, June 2, from the Hancock 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes
- Poplar Street stop sign request and results of traffic study by Hancock Patrol Officers reflects –stop signs not warranted at this time.

New Business

- Motion by Haeussler and seconded by Rickard to approve the agreement of Professional Service Contract with Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region Commission to administer the EDA Grant Award Number 06-79-06264 in the amount of \$45,000.00.
  - Yes: Haeussler, Warstler, Rickard, LaBine, Freeman, Lytle, Blau
  - No: None
  - Motion Carried
  
- Motion by Blau and seconded by Lyle to approve the MSHDA Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) agreement for the grant in the amount of \$16,500.00 for home projects located on Tezcuco Street.
  - Yes: Blau, Lytle, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Warstler, Haeussler
  - No: None
  - Motion Carried
  
- Motion by Haeussler and seconded by Rickard to approve the Community Economic Development Association of Michigan (CEDAM) Fellow agreement.
  - Yes: Haeussler, Warstler, Rickard, LaBine, Freeman, Lytle, Blau
  - No: None
  - Motion Carried
  
- Motion by Lytle and seconded by Warstler to approve the Board and Commissions recruitment, training and application guide with two changes, add “quasi” to “ZBA judicial review body” and a spelling correction.
  - Yes: All
  - No: None
  - Motion Carried
  
- Motion by Rickard and seconded by Warstler to authorize Mary Babcock sign the letter of support for Mass Timer Building addressed to Senator Debbie Stabenow
  - Yes: All
  - No: None
  - Motion Carried

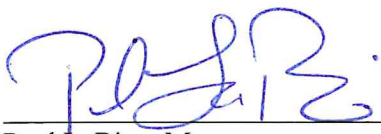
Public Comment- Anyone wishing to address the council will be recognized by the Mayor at this time.

- Ron Blau presented information on the GUTS Frisbee Tournament to be held July 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> at the Driving Park. Coca Cola (Hancock Bottling) sponsors the event.
- John Zurcher commented on street stop signs and having the strips painted at these locations throughout the city. MDOT will not allow speed signs on North Lincoln. Looking for pine trees to plant along the trail as a sound barrier.

John Haeussler today, June 2<sup>nd</sup> is the 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of his heart attack he’s glad to here.

A motion by Rickard and seconded by Freeman to adjourn the council meeting at 6:50 pm

- Yes: All
- No: None
- Motion Carried

  
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Paul LaBine, Mayor

  
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Linda Kalinec, City Clerk