

November 19, 2014  
Worksession  
6:30 p.m.

Present: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

Absent: None

Also present: John Haeussler, Deb Mann, Susan Burack, Allison Jabusch, Traci Williams, DPW Director Bill Marlor and Police Chief Wayne Butler.

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Michigan Senate proposed gas tax. Wholesale rate over 4 years will double the City take. \$ .19 gas tax \$ .18 General Fund sales tax.
2. Toutant Machine (Emma Ave.) update: demolition has started.
3. FU Update
  - 1.2 M Fitness center ground breaking 1<sup>st</sup> week in January
  - 7 M Bond Issue
  - Admin moving to Jutila Center
  - Middle School delayed until 2016
  - Putting the Janner Building up for sale.
  - Dorm expansion in 2016
4. M-A-D day
  - 100 people participated (Beach, Pine Park, Hancock & Quincy Street, Lauren Grove, Third St. Park and Montezuma Park).
5. Update on the old Elks Building on Front Street.
  - looking to purchase the parking lot next to their building
6. Update on the DHS building – no offers yet, asking \$249,000
7. Copper Crown is for sale.
8. Update on the County Building Permits issued to date:
  - 26 permits issued countywide
9. 2013/2014 Audit presentation scheduled for December meeting.
10. Ski Trail update.
11. Chief Butler will be out of the office December 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> for training. Started work On November 10<sup>th</sup>.
12. LaSalle Tech (software) purchased the Wisti Law Building
13. New business in town Racers Burgers.
14. New business in town The Barter Bin to open 12-1-14.
15. New fitness center located in the OHM Building
16. Jim's Pizza owes taxes for 2012 and 2013.
17. The Jutila Building has 32 businesses.
18. Keweenaw Sewing opened in Hancock on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
19. Lurn Grove Rink update: Lisa Cunard didn't get the grant that she was applying for.
20. DPW Director report: Nothing to report except the crew has been hot on snow removal.
21. John Haeussler – traffic flows (Ethel turning left on to 41)
22. Tuisku
  - Thanks to John Slivon for initiating the Falcon Project on the bridge.
  - Would like the DPW Director and Police Chief to attend meetings.
  - Light is out on the corner Roberts/Lynn Street.
  - Complements to previous Councils on a job well done.

Moment of silence for Frank "Bill" Baxandall, who passed way on October 28, 2014.  
Bill was a member of the Hancock Planning Commission.

Public Hearing:

November 19, 2014  
7:30 p.m.

1. Public Hearing on the proposed approval of amendment to the Development Tax Increment Financing Plan of the City of Hancock Downtown Development Authority.

Mayor McKenzie called this Public Hearing to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following Councilors being present: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

Also present: John Haeussler, Deb Mann, Susan Burack, Allison Jabusch, Traci Williams, Jack Eberhard, Jay Green, Pete Wickley, Mitch Lake, Chrissy Gerhart, DPW Director Bill Marlor and Police Chief Wayne Butler.

Public Comment:

Jack Eberhard, 302 Vivian, stated he had reviewed the proposed plan and was wondering about grants for businesses to use to upgrade their buildings (heating, lighting and windows). What about a parking lot area or grants for businesses to improve their parking areas for receiving shipments.

Mayor McKenzie closed this Public Hearing at 7:39 p.m.

Regular Meeting

November 19, 2014

7:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Hancock City Council was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor McKenzie presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present:

Councilors: Tuisku, Blau, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Bauman.

Absent: None

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur to approve tonight's meeting agenda as amended.

Add #7 to new business: Transit member appointment of Cathy Aten.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

Letter from UPPCO

Letter from Rep. Dan Benishek re: congratulations on CDBG Grant award.

Letter from Scott Rutherford, Joyce Koskenmaki and Jonathan and Jen Riehl re: thank you for a job well down to the DPW crew. (Joe Pizzi and Ken Linna)

Moved by Councilor Tuisku and seconded by Councilor Belej to acknowledge the correspondence as presented and place them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

guests

Public Comment:

1. Susan Burack, 103 E Quincy Street re: date changes for recycling November 20<sup>th</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup>
2. Jay Green, 1 Portage Cove Dr, Houghton, re: KNSC Update. Replacing the middle bridge which can't be installed until next summer. Presented a check for \$8,500 to the City for a donation towards the new bridge.
3. Wayne Butler, new Chief of Police introduced himself to the Council

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Blau approving the minutes of the October 15, 2014 worksession and regular meeting and the minutes of the November 12, 2014 annual organizational meeting as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

#### reports

June 30, 2014 Expense and Revenue Report All funds

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej to place the June 30<sup>th</sup> 2014 Expense and Revenue Report on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Recreation Minutes of September 9, 2014

FTC minutes of September 15, 2014

Planning Commission minutes of September 22, 2014

DDA; minutes of October 6, 2014

US41 /M26 Corridor Advisory Team minutes of September 11, 2014

HHC minutes of September 17, 2014

PLLB minutes of October 1, 2014

PLWSA minutes of October 7, 2014

Moved by Councilor Tuisku and seconded by Councilor Belej to acknowledge the reports as presented and place them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

#### admin. report

1. Lift Bridge project update. Bids 56.21% higher, recommend bid to Zenith Tech, Inc.. Can meet the schedule as set.
2. Swedetown Creek Middle Bridge replacement project. Bridge will be installed next summer. Looking for bids for the down stream bridge.
3. DEQ Greensand, Inc. public notes.
4. Elevation St. / Elementary School intersection grant.
  - grant for \$15,000 to improve the intersection
  - City match of \$5,000
  - Thank you to Ray, Bill and Deb for their efforts on this project.
5. SmartZone Update
  - Marquette satellite is under way
  - Our SmartZone was the first to file in the State for the satellite program.
6. 2014 Campground Report.
7. KSEF August 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> 2015
  - Everyone is welcome and this event was planned around the MTU Alumni weekend.
  - Hope to make it an annual event.
8. PIIP impact on options.
  - UPPCO handout (on file) expect a rate increase
9. Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> is the Annual Christmas Walk in downtown from 6-8 p.m. "Christmas Joy"
10. 119 Quincy Street rehab project update.
  - MEDC \$250,000 grant
  - Project started by 11/1/2014 3 apartments and 1 or 2 commercial units.
11. 228 Hancock Street Masonic Building Update.
  - Walk through is scheduled
  - Looking for an amendment to increase unit rehab from \$35,000 to \$40,000

- Taking bids: Total bid \$550,000
- If under \$550,000 the project is a go, if over that amount we start over again.
- 12. PLWSA Update
  - Ripley sewer project is complete. Contractor was Siler Contracting. Connection fee will be about \$80,700.
  - Paavola was started but not completed. Connection fee will be about \$21,600
- 13. 2016 Quincy Street reconstruct project update.
  - 4.7 M construct budget
  - 1.2 M enhancement grant
  - 3.8 M water reconstruction
- 14. 2016 Streetscape Grant application update.
  - SHPO comments (on file)
- 15. Police department Promotions.
  - Sgt. Hiltunen was promoted to Lt.
  - Cpl. Ohtonen was promoted to Sgt.
  - Patrolman Lassila was promoted to Cpl.
  - Hired D.Coponen (part-time officer) to full-time as of 12-1-14
- 16. DPW project update.
  - Replaced a 6' water service line at 119 Quincy Street.
  - MJO is grubbing Campus Drive West. Max \$10,000
  - Grubbed out Tonne Property ROW (would make 30 residential lots)
  - Work continues on Valley View Drive
    - Sewer segment #1 is complete, segment #2 will be short about 400' of pipe to finish and segment #3 VA Clinic to along MDOT ROW this spring.
    - Working on an early snow removal.
- 17. Nov. and Dec. Planning Commission meeting is consolidated to a Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 18. MSHDA \$480,000 grant application applied for. Homeowner Rehab and Home Purchase Rehab Program. Applications available at City Hall.

old business  
endowment fund agreement for the city  
parks & recreation expansion fund.

Moved by Councilor Tuisku and seconded by Councilor Blau authorizing the Mayor to execute the Designated Endowment Fund Agreement between the Keweenaw Community Foundation and the City of Hancock Parks and Recreation Expansion Endowment Fund with corrections and authorize a check for \$10,000.00 from the General Fund to be transferred to start the new Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Blau, Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Bauman and Tuisku.

No: None

Motion Carried.

let run policy (updated)

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the Winter Water "Let Run" Policy as changed.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur, McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

No: None

Motion Carried.

new business  
october a/p

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Slivon approving the accounts payable for October in the amount of \$237,507.35 and authorizing payment as follows as funds become available.

General \$91,161.61

Major	12,904.47
Local	11,088.61
Transit	4,094.26
Sewer	54,479.58
Water	27,303.51
Motor V	27,245.75
<u>DDA</u>	<u>9,229.56</u>
Total	\$237,507.35

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Blau, Slivon, Belej, McKenzie, Hodur, Bauman and Tuisku.

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed in oct.

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the additional checks typed in the month of October, in the amount of \$948,775.13 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses	\$ 68,239.70
<u>Transfers</u>	<u>880,535.43</u>
Total	\$948,775.13

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilors Tuisku, Bauman, Hodur McKenzie, Belej, Slivon and Blau.

No: None

Motion Carried.

resolution #20-14

Moved by Councilor Blau and seconded by Councilor Belej to approve and adopt Resolution 20-14 "MDOT Project Authorization as follows:

RESOLUTION #20-14

MDOT PROJECT AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, this resolution shall approve execution of the MDOT Project Authorization, Agreement #2012-0093, authorization #P5, Project # 125916;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that Glenn Anderson, City Manager and Karen Haischer, City Clerk of the City of Hancock, are authorized to enter into an execute on behalf of the City of Hancock, a MDOT project authorization Agreement 2012-0093 with the Michigan Department of Transportation for FY 2015 Section 5311 Operating Funds for the City's Transit Operation.

Yes: Unanimous

No: None

Motion Carried

proposed ordinance  
fires & burning in the city

Moved by Councilor Blau and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the first reading of a proposed ordinance regulating open fires and burning within the City Limits of the City of Hancock, authorizing publication in the Gazette and setting a public hearing for Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (copy of proposed ordinance is on file in the Clerk's Office)

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

proposed ordinance  
dda

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the first reading of a proposed ordinance approving amendment to the Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan of the City of Hancock DDA, authorizing publication in the Gazette and setting a public hearing for Wednesday, December 17th at 7:30 p.m. (copy of proposed ordinance is on file in the Clerk's Office)

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

councilor board appointment

Moved by Councilor Blau and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the following Mayoral Council appointments:

Finance, Personnel & Public Safety	McKenzie, Hodur, Tuisku
Community Development & Business	Belej, Hodur, Bauman
Public Works & Utility Services	Belej, Blau, Bauman
PLWSA	Robert Lewis/Glenn Anderson
Alternate	William Marlor
WUPPDR	Hodur
DDA	McKenzie
Historic Preservation	McKenzie, Slivon
Recreation	Slivon, Tuisku
Adams Twp.	Anderson
Planning Commission	McKenzie, Blau
FTC	Slivon, Tuisku
Ad-Hoc Public Safety	
Ad-Hoc DPW	
Strategic Plan	Belej, Hodur
KEDA	Anderson, McKenzie
Tech & Communications	Belej, Hodur
City Transit	Slivon, Bauman, Tuisku
Ordinance Review	McKenzie, Hodur, Tuisku
Parking Review	Belej, Hodur
E911	Belej, Butler
L DFA	McKenzie, Jim Hainault, Barry Givens

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

transit appointment

Moved by Councilor Blau and seconded by Councilor Belej to appoint Cathy Aten, Little Brothers Rep. to the Hancock Transit Committee.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Councilor Blau and seconded by Councilor Belej that this regular meeting of the Hancock City Council be adjourned. Time: 8:42 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.