

CITY OF HANCOCK
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023
HANCOCK CITY HALL, 399 QUINCY STREET
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Public Hearing: Quincy Green Purchase

Glenn Anderson-740 Lake Ave., Hancock-in support of purchase.

Regular Meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Call to order and pledge of allegiance led by Mayor Paul LaBine

Roll Call and verification of quorum

Present: Councilors: McKenzie, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Lounibos, Warstler

Absent: Blau

Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor McKenzie to excuse Councilor Blau from tonight's meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Also Present: Tim Pinnow, Thomas Fournier, Jay Ruohonen, Zack Osborne, John Zurcher, Garret Neese, Michael Markham, Steve Walton and Glenn Anderson.

Via Zoom:

Dick Storm, Kevin Kalinec, Mary's ipad

Review and Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor Warstler to review and approve the agenda with the removal of Item #2 under New Business.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment

- Jack Osborne, 1316 Emery Street, housing shortage
- John Zurcher, Summit Street, Quincy Green ice rink, Houghton County general parking

Correspondence

State of Michigan-Notice of Public Hearing February 15, 2023
Adams Township-Rate Increase
MDOT-Approved ADA Policy

Motion by Councilor McKenzie and supported by Councilor Freeman to accept and place on file the correspondence as presented.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Review and acceptance of meeting minutes

Planning Commission November 28, 2022

Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor Warstler to receive and put on file the meeting minutes as presented.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Review and approval of City Council meeting minutes

Regular Meeting January 18, 2023

Motion by Councilor McKenzie and supported by Councilor Freeman to approve and accept City Council Regular Meeting minutes of January 18, 2023 with two changes, page 5. change Councilor Paul LaBine’s “No” vote for the 2022/2023 Amended Budgets to a “Yes” vote and change misspelling of Andy Lahti’s first name.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Administrative Report

City Manager Babcock, commented on the following:

- Joint Meeting-March 1st.
- Barnelopet-February 12th.
- City will be closing on the sale of the HOCO Arena on March 6, 2023.
- Recycling is trending upward, 40% increase; state average is 18%.
- Nisu Bakery-208 Quincy Street will be opening April 1st.
- MSU/MML Training Opportunities-various training.
- Key Ingredients-July 14th-Street Dance on deck across the street, the band Outlawed booked for 8:00 p.m.
- Planning Commission held a work session with Patrick Coleman for the Master Plan on Monday, January 30th, 2023.

New Business

1. Motion by Councilor Warstler and supported by Councilor McKenzie to approve the EGLE Scrap Tire Cleanup Grant in the amount of \$9,000.

Roll Call

Yes: Warstler, Lounibos, Rickard, LaBine, Freeman, McKenzie

No: None

Motion Carried

2. Item was removed with the approval of the amended agenda
3. Consider approval to schedule a public hearing to consider the purchase of the Community Gardent sites on Ryan Street. Mayor Paul LaBine requested that no action be taken on this item.
4. Motion by Councilor LaBine and supported by Councilor Freeman to approve the purchase agreement of the Quincy Green property from Finlandia University in the amount of \$150,000.

Roll Call

Yes: McKenzie, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Lounibos, Warstler

No: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment-None

Council Member Comments

Time was provided for council members to promote, discuss and/or comment on items not on the agenda.

Motion by Councilor Warstler and supported by Councilor Freeman to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.


Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried



Paul LaBine, Mayor


Linda Kalinec, City Clerk