CITY OF HANCOCK PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 22, 2016

The regular monthly Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dave Lucchesi at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 22, 2016 with the following members present: Clark Korpela, Bob Wenc, Ron Blau, Deb Mann, Lisa McKenzie, Dan Seguin, Tony Wilmers, Dave Lucchesi and Glenn Anderson

Absent: None

Guests: None

It was moved by Korpela and seconded by Seguin to approve the agenda.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

It was moved by McKenzie and seconded by Seguin to approve the July 25, 2016 minutes.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

Updates/Information

-heard the Governor's office was supporting the elimination of the \$7.3 million annual SSR (System Support Resource) payment to the White Pine Electric Generator Company reviewed a news release from Governor Synder supporting the construction of two smaller natural gas electric generators to be constructed in the UP by 2020 to allow the Presque Isle Power Plant to be retired.

- -looked over the 2016 Hancock H.S. Football schedule
- -reviewed the August 11th Hancock Bike and Pedestrian Committee meeting minutes
- -Noted that Waste Management will take over garbage collection the week of Sept. 12th and will then start weekly recycling
- -received and update on the Quincy Street reconstruction project
- -received an update on the water distribution upgrade project
- -reviewed projects going on inside the City this summer and fall.
- -reviewed an Attorney General's opinion on political signs related to the freedom of speech clause of the US Constitution
- -heard the City received 2 micro grants from WUPPDR RPI grant program, \$1,500 for Driving Park signage and \$3,000 for TORI Music
- -noted that both City Councils will hold a public hearing on a 15 year Tax Increment Financing extension on Monday, October 17th at 6:00 p.m. at the Lake Shore Center

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The Commission reviewed the eligibility requirements for the MSHDA Homebuyer program. The City currently has a MSHDA grant program, and is hoping to apply for a new round of grant funding if the City can get a pool of interested perspective home buyers who would qualify.

The Commission reviewed the draft master plan target area feedback form, the proposed future land use categories, and the downtown Hancock section. The steering committee is hosting a Monday, Sept. 12th community forum at the Copper Country Arts Center from 6 to 8 p.m.

The Commission reviewed 3 proposed plans for the McLain State Park Master Plan update designed to address the serious erosion issue at the park. In 1987 105 total campsites were in place, and in 2016 91 campsites exist. All 3 proposed options include either 112 or 122 total campsites.

The Commission discussed downtown parking on the side streets.

It was moved by Blau and seconded by McKenzie to recommend that the City keep the current parking configuration on Tezcuco and Ravine Street.

AYES: All

NAYES: Motion Carried

It was moved by Blau and seconded by McKenzie to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson, Secretary