

CITY OF HANCOCK
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022
HANCOCK CITY HALL, 399 QUINCY STREET
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Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM

Call to order and pledge of allegiance by Mayor, Paul LaBine.

Roll Call and verification of quorum

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

Absent: Councilor Blau

Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor Haeussler to excuse Councilor Blau from the meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Review and approval of agenda:

Motion by Councilor Haeussler and supported by Councilor Rickard to approve the agenda with the addition of New Business item #8 to consider approval of MJO payment application #1 for MDNR Trail Drainage work in the amount of \$89,680.00.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment

Laura Givens of 1301 Garden St. commented on her late husband, Barry Givens, his service to the City of Hancock as Mayor, City Manager and other City involvement and her wishes to see the Hancock Beach named after him.

Communications

Portage Health Foundation's thank you letter for the City's UPSET West donation

Mark Almquist regarding freezing water lines in his neighborhood

UPPCO – Notice of Hearing

Houghton County Prosecutor letter regarding restitution due to the City of Hancock

Michigan Employee Relations Commission – POAM regarding opening of contract negotiations

Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor Haeussler to accept and place on file the communications as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried

Review and acceptance of meeting minutes

PLWSA Regular Meeting August 9, 2022
KEDA May 10, 2022
DDA July 11, 2022
DDA August 1, 2022
Recreation Commission May 10, 2022

Motion by Councilor McKenzie and supported by Councilor Rickard to accept and place on file the minutes as presented.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Review and approval of City Council meeting minutes

Regular Meeting September 7, 2022

Motion by Councilor Haeussler and supported by Councilor Freeman to approve and accept the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 7, 2022.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Administrative Report

- The garbage stickers are now being sold at the various stores and City Hall. Directions on how to use the stickers has been posted on social media and flyers have been supplied to the stores and are available at City Hall to give to residents when they purchase the stickers.
- Deb Mann’s family will be having a Celebration of Life for her on October 22nd from 11:00am-2:00pm at the Finnish American Heritage Center.
- We have 6 people who have applied for the Police Chief position, interviews will be scheduled soon. Whitney Warstler and Ron Blau are on the hiring committee, would like to have 3 council members, if anyone else would like to be on the committee, let me know. Also looking for someone in the area with public safety experience to be on the committee.
- International Day of Peace event is this evening, various events and a walk to start at 6:30 p.m.
- The City Manager was asked by a resident what the Naming Procedures of City Property were for the City of Hancock. We do not have any formal process or procedures. If the Council would like to consider establishing procedures, we can do some research and gather some sample policies from other communities.
- DPW Director John Erickson gave an update on the DPW activities, including the storm sewer work, blacktop patches and winter equipment preparation.
- Chief Wayne Butler gave an update on the police department, they have passed their first in-person LEIN audit; he reviewed a couple recent incidents and events they have provided support to; and they are in the process of completing their weapons qualifications.
- Clerk/Treasurer Linda Kalinec mentioned they have started the audit process, Christina plans to be here the end of the month, beginning of October. The overseas ballots are required to be sent by this Saturday, September 24th, they are usually emailed. We received new workstation desks and walls from MTU, which has been placed in the area coming into the council chambers, it has really improved the organization and look of this area.

New Business

1. Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor Haeussler to approve the current accounts payable in the amount of \$6,098,455.78.

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Councilor Rickard and supported by Councilor McKenzie to approve the Up and Running quote for new entry door locks for City Hall & Police Department entrance and evidence room in the amount of \$10,545.00

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Councilor Warstler and supported by Councilor Rickard to adopt resolution 22-14 for acceptance of the Michigan DNR Trust fund grant TF21-0087 project total \$231,900.00 with a local match of \$60,300.

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

4. Motion by Councilor Haeussler and supported by Councilor Rickard to approve Dave's Hancock Service estimate of \$8,120.84 to remove and replace engine assembly on the 2016 Tahoe police vehicle.

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

5. Motion by Councilor Freeman and supported by Councilor Rickard to sell the 1983 Vector truck to Tim's Excavating for \$20,000.00.

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

6. Motion by Haeussler and supported by Councilor Rickard to approve the Recreation Commission recommendation of up to \$35,000 to build a new garage at the Hancock Driving Parking.

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

7. Motion by Councilor Warstler and supported by Councilor Haeussler to approve the Recreation Commission recommendation to name the Hancock Beach "Barry Givens Beach".

After some discussion motion made by Councilor McKenzie and supported by Councilor Rickard to table the motion.

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

8. Motion by Councilor McKenzie and supported by Councilor Rickard to approve MJO Construction Payment Application #1 in the amount of \$89,860.00 for MDNR Trail Drainage Improvements.

Roll Call

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

No: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment

Laura Givens of 1301 Garden St. thanked the council for considering naming something in honor of Barry. The beach was considered because his first job was at the beach and campground, and his last job was with the city.

Council Member Comments

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

Motion by Councilor Freeman and supported by Councilor Warster to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

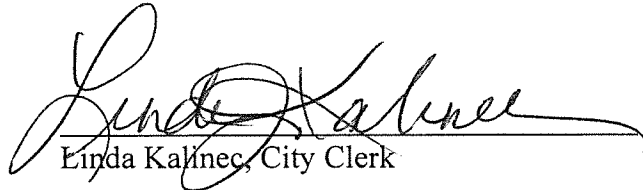
Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried



Paul LaBine, Mayor



Linda Kalinec, City Clerk

RESOLUTION 22-14
ACCEPTANCE OF THE GRANT
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Upon motion made by Warstler, seconded by Rickard,
the following Resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED, that the City of Hancock, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement for TF21-0087 as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the City of Hancock does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide sixty thousand three hundred (\$60,300) dollars to match the grant authorized by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.
2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for auditing at reasonable times.
3. To construct the project and provide such funds, services and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution."

The following aye votes were recorded: 6

The following nay votes were recorded: 0

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF HOUGHTON)

I, Linda Kalinec, Clerk of the City of Hancock, Michigan, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Resolution relative to the Agreement with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, which Resolution was adopted by the Hancock City Council at a meeting held September 21, 2022.

Signature: Linda Kalinec

Title: Clerk/Treasurer

Dated: September 21, 2022