

CITY OF HANCOCK
CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022
7:00 P.M., 399 QUINCY ST.

Organizational and Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Call to order and pledge of allegiance led by City Clerk Linda Kalinec
Roll Call and verification of quorum
Present: Councilors Blau, Mckenzie, Freeman, LaBine, Rickard, Warstler
Absent: None

Also Present: John Erickson, Garrett Neese, Michael Lancour, Margo Pizzi, John Zurcher, Michele Blau, Sadiq Edo-Abdi,

Also Present via Zoom: Todd, Mary's I-pad

Review and Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Councilor Blau and supported by Councilor Rickard to approve the agenda as presented.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Public Comment

Michael Lancour, elected council member, presented his resignation, he is also a member of the Hancock School Board and has chosen to resign his position on the City Council effective immediately.

Margo Pizzi as a council member on the ballot commented on selection of the person to fill the vacant council member position.

Organizational Meeting:

City Clerk, Linda Kalinec accepted nominations to elect a Mayor for a one-year term.

Nomination for LaBine by Councilor Blau
Councilor LaBine accepted the nomination

Motion by Councilor Blau and supported by Councilor McKenzie to nominate Paul LaBine as Mayor for a one-year term.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Mayor LaBine accepted nominations for Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year term

Nomination for Rickard by Councilor Blau
Councilor Rickard accepted the nomination

Motion by Councilor Blau and supported by Councilor Freeman to nominate Rickard as the Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year term

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Administrative Report:

- City Manager Babcock reminded the council members of the training opportunities available from Michigan Municipal League (MML) for newly elected council members.

New Business:

1. Motion by Councilor LaBine and supported by Councilor Blau to appoint Councilor Lisa McKenzie to the Recreation Commission as the Council Member representative.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

2. Motion by Councilor McKenzie and supported by Councilor Warstler to appoint DPW Director, John Erickson to the PLWSA board and City Manager, Mary Babcock as the alternate.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion Carried

Other Committee and Commission Appointments:

Planning Commission:	Councilors Blau & LaBine
Downtown Development Authority:	Councilor LaBine
Zoning Board of Appeals:	Councilor LaBine
Finance, Public Safety, Personnel Committee:	Councilors LaBine, McKenzie, Warstler
Community Development & Business Relations:	Councilors Blau, Freeman, Warstler
Public Works and Utility Services:	Councilors Blau, Freeman, Rickard
WUPPDR Representative:	Councilor Blau
KEDA Representative:	City Manager Babcock
Ad Hoc – Ordinance Review Committee:	Councilors LaBine, Rickard, Blau
Ad Hoc – Acquisition Committee:	Councilors McKenzie, LaBine, Warstler
Keweenaw Nordic Ski Club:	Recreation Commission Member
Houghton County Recreation Authority:	To be determined at the next council meeting

Discussion regarding the vacant council member position due to Michael Lancour’s resignation, per our Charter, the position has to be filled in 30 days, it could be filled tonight, or accept applications. The attorney advised it was up to the Council’s purview if they wanted to post the vacancy and accept applications. Per our Charter, the only time it is required to be posted is when there is less than 4 members. A consensus was reached to follow procedures in our Charter, to go ahead and post the vacancy, accept applications and put it on the agenda for the next council meeting. Application due by December 2, 2022 to give council members time to review before the meeting on December 7, 2022.

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 7:27 p.m.

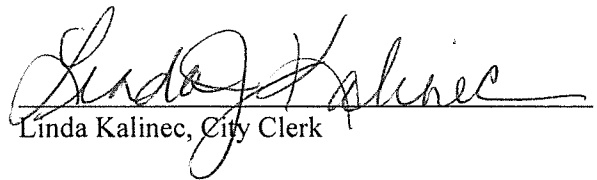
Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried



Paul LaBine, Mayor



Linda Kalinec, City Clerk