

December 16, 2015  
Worksession  
6:30 p.m.

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

Absent: Councilor Tuisku

Also Present: Susan Burack, Bill Marlor, John Haeussler, Chrissy Gerhart, Mitch Lake, Mike Markham, Wayne and Kathy Ohtonen, Jerry and Laurie Hiltunen, Wayne Butler and Kurt Hauglie.

Reviewed and Discussed:

1. Update on 805 Pine and 800 Scott rentals.
2. Handbook for Municipal Officials.
3. Annual Christmas Party is at 1:00, December 17<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Hall.
4. Update on the Portage Lake District Library ballot proposal.
  - First wanted on the November Election but now would like it placed on the August Primary.
  - Could we get the PLDL financials for review.
  - According to the City Attorney, we can't support the HCH Public Library.
5. Sign over by Krist Oil update.
6. Heikinpaiva 2016 schedule is out for the public
  - John & Pauline Kiltunen
  - Counsel General
  - 2017 100<sup>th</sup> Government Anniversary, Hancock will be a recipient of the traveling sauna.
7. Evergreen Tech, 200 Quincy Street
  - rehab on the building started this week
  - 3-5 year expect 10/15 jobs or sooner
  - 1M year for 5 years
8. Quincy Cemetery Update.
9. Police vehicle application for \$15,000.
10. Beach Dock (priority)
  - Budget and grant application due 4-1-16
11. Manager will be on vacation from Dec. 22 to Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>.
12. Recycling – update on meeting with Eagle Waste
  - 10 year contract
  - each resident receive 1 96 gallon recycling container picked up every two weeks
  - 1 48 gallon garbage bin picked up once a week
  - would take glass, tin, paper, cardboard
  - goal to remove 24% out of regular garbage
  - no bags, cost between \$9-\$10 a month
13. The Five Year Rec Plan will be ready in January.
  - Final Draft and Public Hearing
  - Approval at the January meeting
14. Councilor Kevin Hodur announced that this will be his final meeting, took a job in Nevada and leaving January 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30

Special Presentation:

City of Hancock Life Saving Award was presented to Sgt. Wayne Ohtonen, Lt. Jerry Hiltunen and Chief Wayne Butler, who on October 22, 2195 provided CPR on a male resident in cardiac arrest on Water Street in the City of Hancock, thereby saving the man's life.

Regular Meeting

December 16, 2015

7:40 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Council Chambers was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 7:07p.m. with Mayor McKenzie presiding. The United States Flag was honored by all in attendance with the following duly qualified Councilors being present:

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

Absent: Councilor Tuisku

Moved by Councilor Bauman and seconded by Councilor Belej to excuse Councilor Tuisku from tonight's meeting as she wasn't feeling well.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Bauman to amend the agenda to add New Business: #9 Accept Kevin Hodur resignation from Councilor seat, Ward 2.:

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

correspondence

E-mail from Paul Masini re: Hancock Cemetery

Letter from MDOT re: Snow Payment for 2016

Letter from Treasury re: AMAR

Meeting Notice for 2016

Letter from Eagle Waste and Recycling, Inc. dated 11-27-15

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Bauman to place the correspondence on file as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

guests

Public Comments:

1. John Haeussler, 1203 Portage Drive: Job well done to the Recreation Commission and Steve Laskol (WUPPDR) on the Five year Recreation Plan. It was a positive experience working with Steve. Also, thank you for recognizing Dennis Hagenbuch for his years of service on the Recreation Commission.
2. Susan Burack, Scott Building: Downtown Christmas decorations looked great this year.

minutes approval

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the minutes of the November 18, 2015 worksession and regular meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

reports

Planning Commission minutes of October 26, 2015

Recreation Commission minutes of November 3, 2015

US41/M26 Corridor Advisory Team minutes of November 12, 2015

PLWSA minutes of November 17, 2015

Moved by Council Slivon and seconded by Councilor Hodur to accept the reports as presented and place them on file.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

admin report

1. HCH All Class Reunion July 28, 29 and 30, 2016
2. January and March Bridge Testing is on schedule. 30 minute closures  
-April 15<sup>th</sup> will be open.
3. DEQ water and sewer permit application was approved on 11-16.

4. Welcome to Downtown Hancock sign will be placed down by Krist Oil.
5. Mont Ripley opened a new tubing park. All we need is snow.
6. Heikinpaiva 2016 schedule of events is now available.
  - January 8<sup>th</sup> – January 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Parade is Saturday, the 30<sup>th</sup> at 11 am
  - Counsel General from New York will be in town.
7. MTU waste and recycling summary is available. 5% of Hancock residents recycle.
8. New State Road Funding update
9. Federal Fast 5 Year.
  - means more money for Transit.
10. Manager response to the findings (AMAR) dated 12-14-15
11. Transit Audit was completed by the State
  - City is in full compliance with Section 5311 program requirements
  - Next review in 2018

None at this time.

old business

new business

november 15 a/p

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur approving the accounts payable for November 2015 in the amount of \$241,347.58 and authorizing payment as follows as funds become available.

General	\$115,261.10
Major St.	732.47
Transit	3,546.75
Sewer	57,839.25
Water	32,147.10
Motor V	21,100.91
DDA	10,720.00
Total	\$241,347.58

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

add'l checks typed in November

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Slivon approving the additional checks typed in the month of November, in the amount of \$316,489.80 and authorize payment as follows:

Expenses	\$ 58,338.11
Transfers	258,151.69
Total	\$ 316,489.80

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

resignation of dennis  
hagenbuch

Moved by Councilor Slivon and seconded by Councilor Bauman to accept the resignation of Dennis Hagenbuch from the Recreation Commission with regret and approve Resolution #14-15 as follows:

City of Hancock

Resolution #14-15

Resolution, Honoring the Service of Recreation Commission

Chairperson Dennis Hagenbuch

WHEREAS, The Recreation Commission is created to promote the operations

of public recreation and to address the summer and winter recreation needs of the City residents, and

WHEREAS, Dennis Hagenbuch has served with distinction on the Recreation Commission for 20 years, 18 years as Chairperson, and

WHEREAS, Dennis Hagenbuch has overseen four 5 Year Recreation Plan updates, Supported investment in City facilities, supported youth sports in the City, and represented the City as Recreation Ambassador to the area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hancock City Council express thanks, gratitude and appreciation to Dennis Hagenbuch for his time and energy in promoting public recreation opportunities in the City and his outstanding leadership role on the Recreation Commission, and for his dedicated service to the City.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

rd-usda application for  
federal assistance

Moved by Councilor Bauman and seconded by Councilor Belej approving a RD grant application for \$15,200 towards a new police vehicle.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion Carried.

mdot-consent to grade

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the MDOT consent to grade, form and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

board and committee  
appointments

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur approving the Mayor's appointments as follows:

Pete Mackin, DDA 4 year term ending 1-31-2020

Jorden Johnsen DDA reappointment to 1-31-2020

Ruth Ann Smith, HHC reappointment to 12-31-2020

Deb Mann, Planning Commission reappointment to 2-15-2019

David Lucchesi, Planning Commission reappointment to 2-15-2019

Mark Dennis, HFA reappointment to 12-2018

Robert Lewis, PLWSA reappointment to 6-30-17

Glenn Anderson, PLWSA appointment to 6-30-18

Bill Marlor PLWSA reappointment as alternate

Ray Gerhart, ZBA reappointment to 1-31-19

Tom Vichich, ZBA reappointment to 1-31-2018

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

council board appointments

committee structure

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Hodur approving the Mayor's appointments to the Council Committee Structure as follows:

Finance, Personnel and Public Safety: McKenzie, Tuisku, Belej

Community Development & Business Relations: Belej, Bauman, Blau

Public Works and Utility Services: Blau, Bauman, McKenzie

Councilor WUPPDR Representative: John Haeussler

Council FTC Representatives (2) Slivon

Strategic Plan Coordinating Committee Representatives (2) Belej, Blau

Technology and Communication: Belej, Blau

Ordinance Review committee: McKenzie, Tuisku, Slivon

Parking Review Committee: Belej, Blau

write off policy

Moved by Councilor Hodur and seconded by Councilor Belej approving the utility bill write-off policy as follows:

This Policy authorizes the City to write-off past due water, sewer, garbage and other bills if it is deemed uncollectable by the City Manager on all accounts over three (3) years old or sooner if the account has a Federal Bankruptcy Court Order attached to it.

Adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

hodur resignation

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Bauman to accept the resignation of Councilor Kevin Hodur as Councilor Ward 2 with regret.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councilor Belej and seconded by Councilor Bauman that this regular meeting of the Hancock Council be adjourned. Time: 8:20 p.m.

Yes: All:

No: None

Motion Carried.

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Lisa McKenzie, Mayor

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Karen Haischer, CMC City Clerk