CITY OF HANCOCK PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2016

The regular Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dave Lucchesi at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 22, 2016 with the following members present: Bob Wenc, Deb Mann, Dave Lucchesi, Clark Korpela, Dan Seguin, Lisa McKenzie and Glenn Anderson

Absent: Tony Wilmers and Ron Blau

Guest/Staff: None

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

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

It was moved by Wenc and seconded by Seguin to approve the January 25, 2016 minutes.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

Updates/Information

- -discussed state law PA269 which prohibits elected officials from talking about local ballot proposals 60 days prior to an election. On February 5, 2016, a federal district judge issued a preliminary injunction blocking enforcement.
- -heard that the transit had record ridership in 2015, and since inception 13 years ago the transit has carried 235,776 riders and driven 791,986 miles.
- -heard the City Council at its February meeting approved the 5 year, 2016 to 2020 Recreation plan and has submitted it to the DNR.
- -reviewed the DEQ latest newsletter on abandoned mining waste, including PCB's in Torch Lake
- -heard the City Council held a close out public hearing on February 17th for the \$250,000 MEDC Blight Elimination grant for the 119 Quincy Street blight elimination project. The developer matched the grant with \$356,000
- -reviewed the Governor's proposed FY17 budget and noted MTU is budgeted for a 4.3% increase in funding from state funds.
- -noted March 8th is the date for Michigan's Presidential Primary election.
- -heard the City has applied to MDOT for an all day road bicycle training session limited to 25 participants
- -reviewed the \$12.9 million of city wide projects and grants list for 2016 and 2017

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-reviewed a recycling flyer prepared by the Copper Country Recycling Initiative Task Force.

The Planning Commission was briefed on a DNR MNRTF grant application to construct a 210 lineal foot long recreation pier to be constructed at the Hancock Beach area. The project would include a kayak launch dock. The grant application is for \$300,000 with a city match of \$104,000, which includes a \$2,000 donation from the Hancock Rotary Club.

It was moved by Lunches and seconded by Mann to strongly support the \$300,000 DNR MNRTF grant application for the Hancock Waterfront Park Recreational pier project.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

The Commission reviewed the MDOT bid results for the downtown reconstruct project which will start construction around May 1, 2016 and be completed on July 27, 2107. The bids were:

Hebert Construction Co.	\$7,116,625.99
Bacco Construction Co.	\$7,202,816.12
James Peterson Sons, Inc.	\$7,897,704.11
MJO Contracting, Inc.	\$10,013,154.75

The Commission reviewed the City's purchase of a new fire pumper truck at a price of \$358,519 from CFB Custom Fab and Body, LLC located in Marion, WI. The 1999 used fire pumper truck was sold to Quincy Twp. for \$70,000. The Fire Dept will contribute \$10,000, and the City will finance \$280,000 over 7 years.

The Commission heard that the City has been awarded an \$188,800 MSHDA grant for 4 new apartments on the 3rd floor of the Wisti-Lawton building, 101 Quincy St.

The Commission heard the City has been awarded a master plan grant of \$19,300 from the DEQ through Michigan Association of Planning. The City will match the grant with \$25,700. OHM Advisors has been hired to lead the master plan effort. The process should be done by the end of the year. Clark Kopela, Dave Lucchesi, Deb Mann and Dan Seguin volunteered to serve on the steering committee.

It as moved by Korpela and seconded by Wenc to cancel the March 28th commission meeting.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

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It was moved by McKenzie and seconded by McKenzie to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson Secretary