

Village of Laurium  
Regular Council Meeting  
Tuesday, April 21, 2015

**Present for Roll Call:** Bausano, Erickson, Fish, Junot, Lanctot and Miller.

**Absent:** Harju.

**Guests:** Paul Baroni, Chris Holmes, Jeff Kalcich and Edward Vertin.

The meeting was called to order in the village council chambers by President Bausano at 5:30PM.

A motion was made by Fish and seconded by Junot to approve the **agenda** as presented. Carried 6-0.

### **Minutes**

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Erickson to approve the minutes from the **March 17, 2015** regular council meeting. Yes – Bausano, Erickson, Fish, Junot and Miller. Abstain – Lanctot. Carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Erickson to approve the minutes from the **April 13, 2015 statutory meeting**. Yes – Bausano, Erickson, Lanctot and Miller. Abstain – Fish & Junot. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Lanctot to approve the **prepaid bills** for March/April 2015 in the amount of \$103,844.83 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$29,861.05. Carried 6-0.

### **Communications to the Council**

Chris Holmes from UP Engineers & Architects reviewed the bids for the **Urgent Needs Grant project**. A motion was made by Fish and seconded by Junot to approve the resolution awarding the bid to Bill Siler Contracting in the amount of \$192,025.00. Carried 6-0. Since the bids came in about \$90,000 less than anticipated, there is enough to add Sixth and Iroquois to the project as well. A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Miller, that as long as Siler's unit prices hold, a change in the work scope would be made to include Sixth and Iroquois to the CDBG Urgent Need Water System Improvements Project. Carried 6-0. Work is scheduled to start in May.

### **Committee Reports**

**Finance:** No report.

**Recreation/Parks/Community Relations:** No report.

**Public Safety – Police:** No report.

**Public Safety – Fire:** No report.

**Streets/Equipment/Sanitation:** The committee will meet with the DPW to determine a plan for the SnoGo.

**Property/Building/Ordinance:** Notices regarding garbage service can now be put on the new garbage bills. The committee will meet with the Houghton County Building Inspector regarding the notices that need to go out for the unsafe buildings ordinance. Village Administrator Vertin will also contact Greg Kingstrom from UPEA to see if he is still interested in being the village's hearing officer. It does not appear to be feasible to require dog owners to carry a bag to clean up after their pet. The lease for Keweenaw Fire Sales & Service at the old UPPCo building is up in June. The committee will meet to review the terms of the lease.

### **Unfinished Business**

The ordinance is enforceable for the type of **garbage cans** to be used.

Sponsors have been found for new dugouts and field improvements for the **baseball** tournament this summer. The committee will meet to determine the village's match for labor, equipment, etc. A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Fish to spend \$3000 from the Lazy Days fund for the village's match for baseball field improvements. Carried 6-0.

### **New Business**

A motion was made by Fish and seconded by Miller to extend the listing for the old **Senior Citizens Building** with Jan Banfield at Northern Michigan Land Brokers for another six months and keep the current asking price and negotiable the same. Carried 6-0.

Options for roof repairs or replacement, a new condenser, and lighting for the **George Gipp Arena** will be reviewed in more detail by Village Administrator Vertin and the committee and discussed at the May regular council meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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