

Village of Laurium  
Regular Council Meeting  
Tuesday, February 17, 2009

**Present for Roll Call:** Bausano, Bonenfant, Erickson and Miller.

**Absent:** Harju, Junot and Lanctot.

**Guests:** Paul Baroni, Helen Halt, Kurt Hauglie, Molly Holmstrom, Jennifer Isaacson, Jon Koskiniemi, Daniel Mukavetz, Edward Sever 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 Erickson and seconded by Bonenfant to approve the **agenda** as presented. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Miller to approve the **minutes** of the January 22, 2009 meeting as presented. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Bonenfant to approve the **prepaid bills** in the amount of \$57,760.21 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$40,969.22. Carried 4-0.

### **Committee Reports**

**Finance:** The budgets will be ready for review on Monday, February 23, 2009.

**Parks/Recreation/Community Relations:** The annual mite tournament will be held at the George Gipp Arena February 19-21.

**Public Safety – Fire:** On the last order, Pomasl Fire Equipment sent an extra jacket and pants. They would be willing to sell it to us for \$1000, rather than the \$1800 it costs. \$1000 will be budgeted in the 2009-2010 budget in the Fire Truck Fund for these items.

**Public Safety – Police:** The committee has met and will continue to meet with Chief Baroni in an effort to reduce overtime and comp time in the police department.

**Streets/Equipment/Sanitation:** No report.

**Property/Building/Ordinance:** Money will be budgeted for some assistance in upgrading the website.

**Unfinished Business:** A letter was received from **Traverse Engineering** regarding the amount that was not paid on the Lake Linden Avenue project. The matter was tabled until more of the council could be present to discuss how to proceed.

### **New Business**

A motion was made by Bonenfant and seconded by Miller to join the State of Michigan Bureau of Driver and Vehicle **records subscription program**. This program is mandated by our liability insurance. It is necessary for anyone who operates a village vehicle to check the validity of licenses. Information is updated automatically and there is no cost to the village. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Miller to hold the **public hearing** to review the budget on Thursday, February 26, 2009 at 5:15PM. A **special meeting** will follow the budget hearing at 5:30PM to amend the 2008-09 budget and approve the 2009-2010 budget. Carried 4-0.

At 5:45PM, a motion was made by Bonenfant and seconded by Erickson to enter into executive session to discuss **DPW Union negotiations**. Carried 4-0.

The meeting returned to regular session at 5:50PM.

**Present for Roll Call:** Bausano, Bonenfant, Erickson and Miller.

**Absent:** Harju, Junot and Lanctot.

The meeting adjourned at 5:51PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk  
Village of Laurium