

Village of Laurium
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 21, 2017

Present for Roll Call: Bausano, Jeff Erickson, Robert Erickson, Hodges (5:40PM), and Junot.

Absent: Lanctot and Miller.

Guests: Paul Baroni, 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 Junot and seconded by Jeff Erickson to approve the **agenda** with the addition of the Laurium Housing Commission appointment under Communications to the Council. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Jeff Erickson and seconded by Junot to approve the **minutes** from the January 17, 2017 regular council meeting. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Jeff Erickson to approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$42,355.79 and approve the **prepaid bills** for January/February 2017 in the amount of \$249,279.95. Carried 4-0.

Communications to the Council

A letter was received from the **Laurium Housing Commission** indicating that Alicia Turino Harris has resigned as a commissioner from the board. Debbie Berryman expressed an interest in serving as a commissioner. A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Robert Erickson to appoint Debbie Berryman to the Laurium Housing Commission board. Carried 4-0.

Committee Reports

Finance: Village Administrator Vertin is working on the budgets and soon they will be ready for review.

Recreation/Parks/Community Relations: The last day at the arena will be March 11, 2107. The annual mite tournament was held this past weekend. 12 teams participated and attendance was good. A financial report is not yet available.

Public Safety – Police: No report.

Public Safety – Fire: The department has held their election of officers as follows: Daniel Zubiena-Chief, Sean Jacques-1st Assistant, Roger Wetelainen-2nd Assistant, Jason Lund-Secretary and Jesse Caron-Treasurer. A motion was made by Robert Erickson and seconded by Junot to approve the fire department's officers as presented. Carried 4-0.

Streets/Equipment/Sanitation: The new grader is up and running. The old one will be cleaned up and traded in the spring.

Property/Building/Ordinance: No report.

New Business

A motion was made by Jeff Erickson and seconded by Junot to hold the **budget hearing** on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at 5:00PM in the council chambers. A special meeting will follow at 5:10PM to approve the 2017-18 budget and amend the 2016-17 budget. Carried 5-0.

Edward Sever retired on February 17, 2017 so there is now a **full time DPW position** available. The committee met and reviewed the spring and summer duties for this position. In addition, the committee would like to reinstate the sidewalks replacement program where the resident would pay for the material and the village would provide the labor. The committee will meet to write a job description and advertisement for this full time DPW position. Applications will be reviewed before the March meeting so that the position can be filled at the March meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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