

Village of Laurium
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, June 16, 2009

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

Absent: Bonenfant and Harju.

Guests: Paul Baroni, Dan Johnson, Jim LaMuth, 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 Junot and seconded by Miller to approve the **agenda** as presented with the addition of the Laurium Housing Commission garage under Communications to the Council. Carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Junot to approve the **minutes** of the May 19, 2009 regular council meeting. Carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Erickson to approve the **prepaid bills** in the amount of \$43,779.95 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$38,696.07. Carried 5-0.

Communications to the Council

The **Laurium Housing Commission** will be constructing new garages. Village Administrator Vertin reviewed the plans for these garages and found them to be in compliance with village ordinances. A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Miller to approve the placement of the garages to be built at the Laurium Housing Commission. Carried 5-0.

Committee Reports

Finance: No report.

Recreation/Parks/Community Relations: The metal work on the east side of the Arena is complete. "No Motorized Vehicles" signs will be ordered for the playground area.

Public Safety – Fire: The department currently has 12 firefighters. They are budgeted for 15. Jesse Caron and John Rowe will be added as compensated firefighters.

Public Safety – Police: All but four of the yard maintenance complaints have been abated.

Streets/Equipment/Sanitation: No report.

Property/Ordinance/Buildings: A rough draft of the wind power ordinance will be ready for the July meeting.

New Business

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Lanctot to hold the **public hearing** to take public comment on the millage rate on June 25, 2009 at 5:15pm. A **special meeting** will be held immediately following at 5:30pm to approve the millage rate. Carried 5-0.

The property at 215 Ahmeek Street is being foreclosed for taxes. Houghton County handles tax foreclosed properties. The village has first **right of refusal** on this property. If the village keeps this property, it must be for public use. A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Junot to authorize the president and village administrator to sign the right of refusal for this property so it will be auctioned at the state tax sale. Carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Miller to adopt the resolution for authorized signatures for the **MDOT State Trunkline Contract**. The authorized signers are President Bausano and Village Administrator Vertin. Carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:47PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk
Village of Laurium