

Village of Laurium
Regular Council Meeting
May 19, 2009

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

Guests: Paul Baroni, Susan Dana, Dan Johnson, Jim LaMuth, Edward Sever, Edward Vertin and Eric Waara.

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** with the addition of Susan Dana – MML Region VII meeting under Communications to the Council. Carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Miller to approve the **minutes** of the April 21, 2009 regular council meeting. Carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Bonenfant to approve the **prepaid bills** in the amount of \$46,659.27 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$34,868.80. Carried 7-0.

Communications to the Council

Calumet will be hosting the **Michigan Municipal League Region VII annual meeting** June 3-5. The cost is \$25/person. Susan Dana, Calumet's comptroller, gave the council an overview of the agenda and encouraged them to attend.

Eric Waara, UP Engineers & Architects, stated that according to Jim Yoder at Rural Development, if the council proceeds with the **water project** as previously discussed, water rates will need to be raised \$3-5/month. The water project will be scaled back to include First, Amygdaloid, Fulton and Fifth Streets but not South Tamarack Street. Rural Development and the village will be meeting within the next month to work out the details of the loan.

Committee Reports

Finance: The State of Michigan will be cutting \$10,161 from the village's state shared revenue between now and October 1st. The MML doesn't anticipate any more executive order cuts this fiscal year.

Recreation/Parks/Community Relations: Ten picnic table frames have been ordered at \$230/frame for the parks. The new sheeting for the arena should be

in tomorrow and installation will start ASAP. The boards have been fixed and the exhaust fan will be installed soon. The new sign for the softball field is up.

Public Safety – Fire: No report.

Public Safety – Police: The department has been following up on the yard maintenance issues in the village.

Streets/Equipment/Sanitation: A garage door needs to be replaced. It has been ordered for \$4600.

Property/Building/Ordinance: No report.

Unfinished Business

The committee is still reviewing the **wind power ordinance** and the **grass ordinance**.

New Business

Baseball has set up their batting cage in the George Gipp Arena. Vertin is to monitor the power usage and if necessary, bill baseball for this extra usage.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk
Village of Laurium