

Village of Laurium
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 11, 2014

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

Absent: Harju.

Guests: Paul Baroni, Harold Erkkila, Jim Koskiniemi, 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 Fish to approve the **agenda** with the addition of the Conduit Use Agreement with Aspirus Keweenaw Hospital under Communications to the Council. Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Junot to approve the **minutes** from the October 21, 2014 regular meeting. Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Miller to approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$69,505.00 and approve the **prepaid bills** for October – November 2014 in the amount of \$70,711.74. Carried 6-0.

Communications to the Council

Jim Koskiniemi of UP Engineers & Architects was present to inform the council that the money is in place for the **CDBG grant**. This grant will replace the water main on Second Street between Hecla and Tamarack Streets. The grant amount is \$258,300 and the local share is \$86,100. A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Lanctot to approve the final grant agreement to be signed by President Bausano. Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Erickson to approve the **Conduit Use Agreement** with Aspirus Keweenaw Hospital drawn up by Village Attorney Tomasi. AKH will pay an annual usage fee of \$900. Carried 6-0.

Committee Reports

Finance: No report.

Recreation/Parks/Community Relations: The Halloween party was successful. The George Gipp Arena will open for the season on Saturday, November 29, 2014.

Public Safety – Police: No report.

Public Safety – Fire: The paperwork is still not back from Rural Development for the new apparatus. The seller does know that the village is still interested.

Streets/Equipment/Sanitation: There are over a dozen manhole covers that are too high and they are being hit by the graders. Some of them will be fixed during the CDBG water project; the rest will need to be addressed in the spring.

Property/Building/Ordinance: Fish had reports of debris falling off of the bank building (Yard Sale) on Third and Hecla Streets and a couple of chimneys that were in need of repair. The County Building Inspector will be notified.

Unfinished Business: No bids were received for the **2009 Police Vehicle**. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Fish to lower the price to \$14,000 and accept offers until the December 16, 2014 regular council meeting. Carried 6-0.

New Business: A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Lanctot to increase the sidewalk **plowing rates** (Ordinance #135) from \$1.85/lineal ft. to \$2.00/lineal ft. and increase the **snow contract rates** from \$.28/sq. ft. for plowing and \$.28/sq. ft. for hauling to \$.30/sq. ft. for plowing and \$.30/sq. ft. for hauling. Carried 6-0. A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Erickson to increase the ice time rental rates at the George Gipp Arena. A one hour rental would increase from \$100/hour to \$110/hour, 1.5 hr. rental from \$140 to \$150, Jr Hockey from \$55/hour to \$65/hour and Figure Skating from \$65/hour to \$75/hour. Carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:58PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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