

Village of Laurium
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 15, 2016

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

Absent: Hodges and Lanctot.

Guests: Jeff Kalcich, Robert Kyllonen, Erik Lee, Sharon Turovaara 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 Jeff Erickson and seconded by Junot to approve the **agenda** as presented. Carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Jeff Erickson to approve the **minutes** of the October 18, 2016 regular council meeting. Carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Miller to approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$28,668.59 and approve the **prepaid bills** for October/November 2016 in the amount of \$87,400.14. Carried 5-0.

Communications to the Council

The research/study that is being done on Calumet area governments by MTU students will be done mid-December. A **presentation** will be made with the findings later in December. Village Administrator Vertin will inform the council of this date when it is set.

The **village general election** was held on Tuesday, November 8, 2106. The millage for 2.5 mills for DPW equipment passed 508 – Yes, 299 – No. President Don Bausano, Treasurer Jon Koskiniemi and Clerk Patricia Golus all ran unopposed and were reelected. Lorelee Miller, Trevor Hodges and Robert Erickson were elected to the three trustee positions. Walter Fish did not receive enough votes to remain on the council.

Committee Reports

Finance: No report.

Recreation/Parks/Community Relations: Attendance was down somewhat from last year at the Halloween party. The George Gipp Arena will be opening for the season on Saturday, November 26, 2016 and the ice plant was turned on today.

Public Safety – Police: No report.

Public Safety – Fire: No report.

Streets/Equipment/Sanitation: No report.

Property/Building/Ordinance: No report.

Unfinished Business

The grader from Houghton County will be available on January 1, 2017. Now that the millage has passed, a motion was made by Jeff Erickson and seconded by Junot to authorize Village Administrator Vertin to file the final application with **USDA Rural Development** for funding. The broker that we have been using for selling the surplus equipment is in the hospital so a discussion was held on how to proceed. Other salesmen or brokers can be used and internet advertising are possibilities.

New Business

President Bausano would like to speak to all of the council members before making **committee appointments**. The appointments will be made at the December meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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