

Village of Laurium  
Regular Council Meeting  
October 21, 2008

**Present for Roll Call:** Erickson, Junot, Koskiniemi (5:37pm), Lanctot and Zei.

**Absent:** Bausano and Harju.

The meeting was called to order by President Pro-Tem Lanctot at 5:30PM.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Erickson to approve the **agenda** as presented. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Erickson to approve the **minutes** from the September 16, 2008 regular council meeting. Carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Erickson to approve the **prepaid bills** in the amount of \$202,517.36 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$123,834.50. Carried 4-0.

### **Communications to the Council**

Village Administrator Vertin attended an **MDOT** meeting where their five year construction plan was presented. As of now, M-26 through Laurium will be resurfaced in 2013 for a cost of \$2.3 million.

### **Committee Reports**

**Finance:** Despite the national financial scare, Vertin feels confident that the village's funds are safe.

**Parks/Recreation/Community Relations:** The George Gipp Arena is slated to open on November 29<sup>th</sup>. The rental schedule is being finalized.

**Public Safety – Police:** The department will be working on getting financing for the purchase of a taser gun. This should be finalized by the November meeting.

**Public Safety – Fire:** The department honored longtime fireman and former chief Donald Julio at his funeral with a procession on Hecla Street.

**Streets/Equipment/Sanitation:** The salt shed is 80% complete and should be done by November 10<sup>th</sup>. The fall leaf pickup is scheduled for the next two weeks.

**Property/Building/Ordinance:** No report.

## **New Business**

A motion was made by Koskiniemi and seconded by Junot to spend \$300.00 on the annual **Halloween party** at the George Gipp Arena. Carried 5-0. The party will be held during trick-or-treating hours from 5-8PM. A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Erickson to change the November regular **council meeting** from November 18<sup>th</sup> to November 12<sup>th</sup> due to deer hunting. Carried 5-0.

President Pro-Tem Lanctot thanked Trustees Zei and Koskiniemi for their service on the council. They will not be seeking re-election.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk  
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