

Village of Laurium
Public Hearing/ Special Meeting
Monday, September 29, 2014

Present for Roll Call: Bausano, Harju, Junot, Landt and Miller.

Absent: Bonerfant and Fish.

Guests: James Koskieniemi and Edward Vertin.

The **public hearing** was called to order in the village council chambers by President Bausano at 5:15PM. The purpose of the public hearing was to take public comment regarding a Michigan Strategic Fund Urgent Need Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$258,300.00. The grant will be used for repairs to the broken water main on Second Street between Tamarack and Hedra Streets. Since there was no public comment, James Koskieniemi, UPEA, gave an overview of the grant process and timeline.

The public hearing closed at 5:30PM.

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Absent: Bonerfant and Fish.

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The **special meeting** was called to order in the village council chambers by President Bausano at 5:30PM. The purpose of the special meeting was to approve a CDBG resolution and paperwork for the water project, take action on BCBS coverage changes and get an update on a potential fire truck for purchase.

A motion was made by Junot and seconded by Landt to approve the **CDBG resolution** and paperwork for the water project on Second Street between Tamarack and Hedra Streets. Carried 5-0.

The current **insurance** coverage held by village employees will no longer be offered for next year. After consulting with Employee Benefits Agency, a new plan agreed to all employees was found. Village Administrator highlighted the new plan. A motion was made by Landt and seconded by Junot to change the existing BCBS coverages to Consumers Mutual Insurance (CM) high deductible Bronze Plan with CM tier 4 Rx plus secondary insurance (The Standard Insurance Company Premium Saver Plan) to fully insure Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) reimburse to \$1000 single/\$200 2-person or family. A Flexible Spending Account (FSA) will be funded by the Village up to \$750 single/\$1500 2-person or family. The third party administrator will be Employee Benefits Agency of Marquette. Carried 5-0.

The fire department and fire committee believe they have found a **fire truck** that will meet the village's needs. The apparatus is a 2001 Ferrara 75' Quint Aerial with 14,000 miles and 175 hours on the aerial, which has been certified. The asking price is \$249,000.00. A motion was made by Landot and seconded by Harjoto authorize the village mechanic and two members of the fire department to fly to see the truck in person in Boston, New York. Carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:53PM

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gdus, Clerk

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